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Dear Members,

Safeguarding the PYC community's health and wellbeing will require each of us to respect generally adopted guidelines by our local and state officials as well as those specifically adopted for PYC to function as 'normally' as possible.

Masks, masks, masks! Since there are no definitive answers to know in advance who may have been exposed or may be carrying the virus, who may have unknowingly had it or how long immunity may last, or how long it survives on surfaces etc., the BOD has developed the following guidelines specifically for PYC using guidance from State sources and local business practices. One practice that has been highly recommended and cited as a means to slow the transmission of the virus is the use of masks at group gatherings or in public spaces. The other is social distancing. Please help keep our membership, guests, and staff as safe as possible during the course of this pandemic by following these two practices.

As always, use of Portsmouth Yacht Club facilities is **At Your Own Risk**.

The following rationale and procedures have been carefully reviewed and adopted by the BOD for initially and incrementally opening the clubhouse with these goals in mind:

- Limit opportunities for virus transmission.
Touchless procedures and minimizing common exposures are a priority. Wear masks and practice social distancing.
- Minimize staff exposures.
We are attempting to safeguard our staff members as much as possible and limit the number of exposures they may have during their working hours.

PYC is providing personal protective equipment for staff only. Staff is required to wear masks and gloves as they go about their duties: cleaning the bathrooms (every two hours); handling fuel dispensing; payments, and other person-to- person interactions.

Staff temperatures are being taken when they report to work. If a temperature registers 100F (37C) or over, they will be unable to work. PYC can not operate without the staff. Please be mindful about their exposures.

- Provide opportunities for all members to use the club.

Please bring your own personal protective equipment (masks, gloves, etc.) to safeguard your friends and other club members from possible disease transmission.

- Be mindful of expenditures to keep the club solvent and operate within the funds available.

Fuel sales are lower than 'normal', no income generating events are ongoing, and it is unknown how many mooring rentals we will have given the restraints on onshore activities. All of these factors limit cash flow. The BOD is working to keep operating expenses within currently available funds *and* complete the dock house & other projects related to the new pier project.

Therefore, the BOD has come to consensus on the following procedures for opening of the clubhouse in compliance with the next phase of opening businesses in NH. We hope these measures are short-lived and the clubhouse can open more freely in the near future.

Please familiarize yourself with these conditions before you plan to use them.

1. Parking

Space for parking is limited to approximately 26 cars, in the lot and along the fence. The guidance put in place by the New Castle Selectmen and enforced by the local police is still in effect until further notice.

Please help to maximize parking by positioning your vehicle within the orange guide bars in the lot. Most often, cars are not parked far enough forward in the center to allow another row of parking behind and a travel lane around the lot. Truck parking along the fence will help maximize lot spaces and access to handicapped parking.

For those of you who asked, yes, it is possible that you may come to PYC and there will not be any parking. Staff will not be monitoring the parking situation. Parking may change in the near future but there is no guarantee.

2. Facility

Masks are required on all PYC property anytime you are moving around the premises and on the launch.

If any member of your party fails to wear a mask or cloth covering upon entering the club, access will be denied. **No Exceptions.** If you fail to bring a face covering, see the steward she has a limited supply.

When seated at a table, you may remove your mask and put it back on to move about the premises.

All entry to the clubhouse will be through the front door. The west gate is accessible for boaters.

Each member of your party will be required to sign in upon entering the clubhouse through the front door (or with the launch driver). Bring your own pen if you do not want to use one that is in common use.

If a member of your party subsequently experiences illness, please notify the Steward so the membership can be informed.

3. First Come, First Served

Tables and chairs have been set up on the decks and in the clubhouse to accommodate 50% capacity and meet the requirements of social distancing. Please do not move the tables. The number of chairs set out determines the amount of seating. Please do not use personal tables or chairs or other seating.

There will be no reservations and staff will not be monitoring the availability of tables. Again, it may be possible that you arrive at the club and your preferred area will not be available or the clubhouse will be at capacity.

One table per membership, please. You may bring 2 guests per membership but only if seated at the same table. Extra chairs may be available to move from another table but no more than 6 at a table is allowed.

4. Carry In, Carry Out.

Bring EVERYTHING you think you may need. The bar, kitchen, grills, and any other common areas where food is prepared are closed. There will be no tableware, glassware, serving dishes, condiments, tablecloths, paper, or plastic items available. If needed, small bags of ice are available at the dock house free of charge. As usual, large bags of ice can be purchased for coolers etc.

Plan to clean the area you use (tables, chairs, etc) before and after use. There will be supplies available at a cleaning station but you are not restricted to using those if you prefer to bring your own.

You are responsible for cleaning up! There will be no community trash containers available. Small plastic bags will be provided at the cleaning station

for you to bag up trash and dispose of in the dumpster or you can carry –out if you prefer.

5. Hours of Operation

The clubhouse will be open only during the hours of operations on any given day. Currently that is 9-6 on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Hours have been extended on Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 8-8 for the launch and clubhouse.

Staff will close the premises when they leave and it is expected that members will also leave at that time.

Members and guests can begin using the club at their own risk beginning on

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