



PORTSMOUTH YACHT CLUB

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By: Email and USPS

Ms. Wendolyn Hammer
Mr. Zadoc White
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Dear Ms. Hammer and Mr. White,

As Commodore, it is my duty to inform you that the Board of Directors unanimously voted to suspend your son, Zadoc, from any access and all privileges at the Portsmouth Yacht Club property for one year effective immediately. Additionally, it was also unanimous that any violation of this suspension will result in the termination of your family membership.

This action was taken on July 23, 2020, after a resident member of PYC complained about your son and his three friends urinating off the PYC docks and in the parking lot. The complaint contained a photo of the parking lot incident. I reviewed security camera footage of that incident and another on a date provided by the member to confirm that the accusations were true and constituted a pattern of behavior. A staff member also witnessed the 'aftermath' in the parking lot. Although unable to document, the member also mentioned a suspicion that the young men appeared 'to be under the influence' during observation of their behavior on several occasions.

Urination in public is illegal, disrespectful, and crude. Public Urination is defined and described in the New Hampshire Criminal Code, Revised Statute LX11, Section 645. Witnessing this behavior was offensive to a member and is unacceptable conduct at Portsmouth Yacht Club. It is important to note that the Clubhouse bathrooms were available as the staff left after your son and his friends.

The Board of Directors is working on making PYC more family friendly by allowing responsible young adults access to their family boats. The actions of your son and his friends make achieving that goal more difficult and results in lost opportunity for others who do not abuse membership privileges.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia Dowey
Commodore
C.c. A. Dionne, D. Kenepf

