



Port Arthur Yacht Club

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2004

Wow! July was a month full of races, cruises and one great picnic on the 4th. It was quite the experience meeting such a large group of past PAYC commodores. Good times and great stories abounded the whole afternoon. The events for August start with the last event of July, the annual Beaumont Riverfront Park Cruise. Then we are calling all hands on deck. On the weekend of August 7th and 8th we will be hosting our second annual Vanguard 15 Regatta. All club members are invited to the Saturday evening festivities. Speaking of regattas on the 14th we have another of our Olympic series, the Caesar Augustus Olympic Regatta. Don't forget our Thursday Night Race Series continues with some hot competition going on and more V-15 action on the 22nd. Then we wrap the month up with a Sabine Pass Cruise and Fishing Tournament on the 28th and 29th. As always check inside for all of the details on the month's activities. Now for a little business, we received 19 votes for the purchase of a powerboat and lift which was 11 votes short of a quorum required by Club bylaws. At the request of several members present a motion was made to create a committee to review the needs for a powerboat / lift and make a formal written recommendation to the membership in a

future *Mainsheet*. We will be more specific in the type of craft requested and try to have some more specific figures to present to the membership. The primary purpose of this vessel is to aid the Racing Committee and the Junior Sailing Program. Our racing program has really taken off this year with the most boats that I have seen racing in quite some time. I would hate to see one of the Primary Aims of the club, which is to promote yacht racing, suffer from the lack of necessary equipment. Once we have the details ironed out we will again ask membership for approval. We did have a great turnout of membership at the General Meeting as well as the Board Meeting this month, which I hope to see continue. The West Marine discount night meeting was a good turnout as well this year. As always if anyone has a suggestion for an alternate place for the General Meeting we would love to hear it, let us know and we will make the arrangements. Well that is it for now, until next month.

See you on the water,

Mike...

Port Arthur Yacht Club Board Meeting July 20, 2004

Board members/Trustees present: Paul Vera, Teresa Wick, Mike Wise, Alan Aldredge, Terrell Adkisson, Butch Neely, Ken Smith, and Martin Novich. Others present: Bill Worsham, Gene Kohrman, Quincy Prestridge, Ron Franklin, Ed Wiltz, and William & Tiffany Earnest.

Treasurer's Report:

Main Checking:	\$10,917.16
Improvement MM:	\$8,601.08
Improvement CD:	\$27,758.77
Improvement CD:	\$11,743.90
Lease Renewal CD:	\$26,437.73
Self Insurance:	\$43,215.29

Harbormaster: No Report

Membership:

Four new membership applications were accepted from: Ron Franklin, Kevin & Angela Sutcliffe, Ed Wiltz, and William & Tiffany Earnest. Three resignations were received from Stan Killian, Robert Killian, and Donald Abercrombie. A resignation with an unreadable signature was placed in the Commodore's door recently. The resignation was dated 6-20 and talked about the member having sold his business and that he would be out of town. If that member would please contact the Commodore or Secretary with their name and address we will record their resignation.

Racing:

The Thursday Night Races continue. Skipper's meetings are at 6PM and informal socials are being held after each race. The fourth and last series ends on Aug. 5th. Because of increased participation, the summer racing series may be extended. Upcoming events: PAYC V15 Circuit Regatta (Aug 7th-8th), Caesar Augustus Olympic Regatta (Aug 14th), and Island Cup Regatta (Sept 11th).

House & Grounds: No Report

Cruising:

Upcoming events: Beaumont City Front Cruise (July 31st-Aug 1st), Sabine Pass Cruise & Fishing Tournament (July 28th-29th), and Johnson Bayou Cruise (Sept 25th-26th).

Socials:

The Dog Days Social originally scheduled for August 14 will be rescheduled to coincide with the V15 Regatta. Upcoming events: V15 Regatta (Aug

7th), Dog Days Social (Aug 14th), Patriot's Day Social (Sept 11th).

Safety: No Report.

Junior Sailing:

The Back to School Sail will be held on Aug 21st. Paul Vera is asking for recommendations for Junior Sailor of the Year nominees.

Old Business:

The problem of members with membership dues in arrears continues. Members whose names were listed in the *Mainsheet* or other members who have information on those listed are asked to please contact the Treasurer or Commodore.

New Business:

The results of the powerboat vote were 13 votes for and 6 votes against. The 19 total votes were 11 votes short of the quorum required by the Club bylaws so the issue was not passed.

At the request of several members present, a motion was made by Martin Novich and seconded by Terrell Adkisson to create a committee to review the needs for a powerboat & lift and make a formal written recommendation to the membership in a future *Mainsheet*. After a unanimous vote the Commodore named Bill Worsham, Quincy Prestridge, and Paul Vera to serve as the review committee. At that time another ballot vote will be called to approve the purchase. Members who wish to offer their input into this issue are encouraged to contact the committee.

A bid of was presented to the board for plumbing repairs to the clubhouse from David's Discount Plumbing in the amount of \$1565.00. After consideration the board opted to not accept the bid and schedule a work day. Butch Neely then presented a bid to do the work listed and repair the leak in the men's shower for \$900. A motion was made by Ken Smith and seconded by Martin Novich to accept Butch Neely's bid and the motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Mike Wise announced that D.C. Cook will no longer be serving as Harbormaster and that Gary King will be taking over those duties. Gary can be reached at 409-728-8095.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned at 8:25PM

Alan Aldredge, Secretary (secretary@payc.us)

Social News

The **August Dog Days Social** originally scheduled for Saturday, August 14 has been moved to **Saturday, August 7**. Barbequed brisket and trimmings will be served at 6:30 p.m. or so in conjunction with the V15 Circuit Regatta. **Reservations are required** (985-9652 or socials@payc.us). Cost for PAYC members is \$5 per plate. Come help us welcome the visiting V15 regatta participants to PAYC.

The next social is the **Patriot Day Social** on **September 11** when we'll honor those among us who have served in the Armed Services or as firemen or law enforcement officers. Please notify Carolyn (985-9652 or socials@payc.us) if you fall into one of those categories.

Prior to the dinner, there will be a contest for the children to determine the supremacy of the seas. Children should come dressed as pirates with two-person cardboard boats decorated as pirate ships ready to engage in a giant water balloon battle. See the September *Mainsheet* for more details.

V15 News

As of this writing, plans are hot and heavy for a great V15 Circuit Regatta at PAYC on August 7-8. Hosting 25-30 boats requires a coordinated effort, and members have been very willing to help. The racing will take place on Saturday from 12:30 – 5:30 and on Sunday from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Come out and join in the fun on land or as an on-the-water spectator. The barbeque brisket dinner on Saturday evening is open to all PAYC members (\$5 per plate). Help us show our visitors the hospitality for which PAYC is famous.

RACING

Sailing continues and we are having more and more new participants as crews show up on the race courses. Bill Worsham has tapped in the vast reservoir of Lamar for crews, and we have

been having some guys show up from Nederland and PN-G High Schools. The only problem is that Mr. Nederland will not let anything purple on his boat, so some of the kids sailed shirtless. It's nice to see a younger generation and the older generations get along with each other and sail.

Thursday Night Racing (TNR) has become a monster fun. Those who come out are having a really great time sailing with Bill Worsham pulling his Laser 28 out of mothballs and winning the last two races followed by Ken Ruddy. Russ Myers and Martin Novich are dueling for TNR overall and Bob Peck is trying to throw a monkey wrench in the scoring along with Richard Hughes.

The Summer Olympic Regatta has been rescheduled for another date to be announced and so has the 18-mile light. Aug. 14 we will have the Caesar Augustus Olympic Regatta. Skippers' meeting is at 10 a.m.

On Sept. 11 we will be having our own PAYC Island Cup Regatta. We need to support it so come on out and sail. It's a one-day event with 3 or more races around buoys. Skippers' meeting is at 10 a.m.

KNOTHEADS

With summer quickly moving by us, we are planning a big legendary bring a friend to sail day, (AN END OF SUMMER SAIL). The date is Aug. 21 rain or shine all day; I'll be at the Screen house at around 10am.

Also remember that only a member who assumes the responsibilities of the pram can let you sail the prams. So please sign in on the book and write the member who has taken on the responsibility of watching you.

Flying the Lima Flag upside-down:

Paul Vera

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NEXT MONTHLY MEETING: TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 2004 – 7 P.M. @ PAYC

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