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Presque Isle Yacht Club



Newsletter



Commodore:
Robert Wilson

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Fish Fry

Read all about the Fish Fry in the enclosed flyer. The Fish Fry will be held at the club on Saturday, September 21st beginning at 6:00 p.m. The cost is only \$10 per person and the price includes fish, macaroni and

cheese, French fries, cole slaw, beer and other beverages. There is a sign-up sheet in the clubhouse so that Fleet Captain Howard will know how many people to expect. Please sign up by Monday, September 16th.

Please contact FC Mike Howard at 814-460-8196 or mphoward506@gmail.com with any questions. You won't want to miss this last party before all the boats come out of the water!

Upcoming Events

Fish Fry September 21
6:00 p.m.

Equipment Safety Meeting October 5
12:00 p.m.

Work Party October 12
8:00 a.m.

Lift Operator Lunch October 12
1:00 p.m.

Membership Meeting October 13
1:30 p.m.

Italian Party October 19
5:30 p.m.

Work Party October 26
8:00 a.m.

Safety Meeting

An Equipment and Ground Operator Safety Meeting will be held at the club on Saturday, October 5th at 12:00 pm. **All current and prospective Lift Operators, Ground Operators and Fork Truck Operators must attend a safety meeting annually per PIYC Safety Rule #1.** A notice is also posted on the club bulletin board. If you are not currently an operator or ground person but wish to do so, you are more than welcome and must first attend a required Safety Meeting. Training as

necessary is then completed in a hands on manner under supervision of a previously qualified member(s).

This will be the last scheduled safety meeting until the spring of next year. If you attended one of the spring meetings held earlier this year, you are still qualified per the PIYC safety rule of attending a safety meeting annually and can renew in the spring of 2020 but are of course welcome to also attend this meeting if you so choose. If anyone has any

particular circumstances presenting difficulty in meeting this requirement, please contact me so that some other accommodation can be made.

An updated safety meeting attendance status list is posted in the PIYC clubhouse. If any questions or for additional information, please contact Safety Chairman, Jim Howard.

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Happy Birthday:

Ramblin's

Congratulations to club member **Alan Belovarac** who completed the Trans-Superior International Yacht Race in Lake Superior on August 3rd. He competed in the PHRF - Singlehanded B division. The race course is approximately 350 miles on Lake Superior.

The PA Fish and Boat Commission publishes weekly fishing reports and this is the most recent report regarding Lake Erie fishing. **Lake Erie**—Anglers are catching Walleye in 55 to 70 foot of water by using crawler harnesses, stickbaits, and spoons. Change up the color of the lure if they are not hitting. Anglers are catching a

few Yellow Perch, but that should increase over the next few weeks. Anglers are seeing Steelhead in small numbers at the mouth of Crooked Creek and Walnut Creek. In the next month, anglers should start catching Steelhead consistently on boats and at the creek's mouths. **Presque Isle Bay**—When the lake is rough, some anglers are trolling the bay and picking up Wall-eye.

Please put the Lift Operator Lunch on your calendar if you were on the ground crew or were a lift operator. The work is appreciated by the officers as well as the members. It takes a lot of effort to

put the boats in and out of the water and the club would like to show its appreciation!

If you would like to run for an office or the board for the 2020 season, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee—**PC Gene Krahe, Sr., Paul Sauer,** or **Brian Logan** before the November membership meeting.

"You can't buy happiness but you can buy a boat and that's pretty much the same thing." **Anonymous**

We hope you all had a great Labor Day Weekend!

- Jay Armstrong
- Mark Bean
- Toni Berarducci
- Jim Campbell
- Don Czerwinski
- Jon DeMarall
- Don Dinardo
- Marge Flecken
- Sherri Galvin
- Pam Green
- Jim Hammill
- Larry and Jolene Harmle
- Ted Harmle
- Paul Kreger
- Doreen Logan
- Angela Rupp
- Dink Smith
- Bob Stinnett
- Dave Turner
- Ann Wilson

Officers' Comments

Many yacht clubs throughout the country are struggling to sustain membership. I'm excited and proud to report that PIYC has grown at an impressive rate this year. This is a testament to our existing membership and our common dedication to improving our facilities. It is one of the great pleasures of my role as Commodore to have the opportunity to recognize and formally receive new members. Since January, it has been my privilege to welcome 13 new members to our Club. Here we are in our 75th year and we continue to attract fine new members and their families who share our vision for boating and friendliness. On behalf of the Bridge of Officers, thank you for setting such a fine example and welcoming our new friends.

Commodore Robert Wilson



As we approach the end of the season I hope everyone had the time to slow down to enjoy the summer and our club. We had several activities and a few more to come planned by our Fleet Captain Mike Howard. Many of our guests that visited this season commented on how beautiful the club and renovations are. Now that the water has started to recede to a more normal level the ramp extensions will be removed as needed. Now that Labor Day has passed, boats will start coming out of the water. Please fill out the log book completely so that **Kathy Holister** (lift administrator) can complete documentation for the year.

VC Kurt Fesenmyer



It's been a great year, but all seasons come to an end. The month of August was a busy month on the grounds. As you may have seen in the email, the pump-out was put out of service for a few days with a broken line. With that repair we also had an alarm system installed at the rear of the clubhouse. If the pump station directly outside the gate goes down (like what happened a few years back and caused damage to the clubhouse) an alarm will sound. If anyone is on the grounds and the alarm is going off, **please contact a bridge officer immediately!** There will also be a phone number posted on the board for the sewer department for members to call if the alarm is sounding. At the very minimum, please call an officer or the sewer department. Also, the wall at the south end of Peach St dock was repaired. As a reminder, members are required to complete 16 work hours this year. We still have quite a few members that need work hours, therefore, I have scheduled two fall work parties this year; the first will be October 12th and the second will be held on October 26th. We no longer have caretaker coverage and so please lend a helping hand if you see something that requires attention.

RC Jim Mazza



Unfortunately summer is winding down. I'd like to take a minute to thank everyone who has made this year's parties such a success! Your helping

hands have made light work for me this year so far. The Pig Roast was a real hit with 251 guests in attendance! A special thanks goes out to the set up/tear down crew and those who helped work the party. It couldn't have been done without you. We added another event to the club calendar as well. The club will be hosting a Fish Fry on September 21st. The fish has been graciously donated by some of our club anglers. After the fish fry this month, we only have three more events for the year. There is a lift operator's luncheon to show appreciation for our yard crews on October 12th at 1:00pm, the Italian party is October 19th starting at 5:30pm, and of course the Christmas party in December. Please stay tuned for details regarding these upcoming events.

FC Mike Howard



If you or your spouse/significant other would like to receive the club emails, please send me the email address. Many times important information is sent out to the members between newsletters. I have the email addresses for the majority of the members, however, I only have a handful of email addresses for the spouse/significant other. I will have a list of the current email addresses on file at the October membership meeting for your review and at that time, you will be able to either add or update your email addresses.

Newsletter Editor
PC Anne Eisert

Happy Anniversary!

Happy Anniversary to those members who have recently celebrated their anniversary as PIYC members:

10-Year: Brian Logan



"Yes dear, everything here at work is going well. Can I call you back? I have something, I mean, someone on the other line."

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