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Newsletter



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April Membership Meeting Canceled

The April membership meeting which was to be held in the clubhouse on Sunday, April 19th at 1:30

p.m. has been canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As you all know, we are to keep social distancing until

the end of April and therefore, the meeting must be canceled.

Upcoming Events

April Membership Meeting canceled

Commodore Appreciation Dinner—
Postponed
TBD

Siebenbuerger

Equipment Operator Safety Meeting Postponed
TBD

Work Parties TBD

Happy Hour / Fry Party *May 16*
5:00 p.m.
PIYC Clubhouse

May Membership Meeting *May 17*
1:30 p.m.

Opening Day Ceremony *May 24*
12:30 p.m.

Tureen Dinner 2:00 p.m.

Sail Race *May 25*
9:00 a.m.

Commodore Appreciation Dinner

THIS EVENT IS BEING POSTPONED

The Past Commodore Appreciation Dinner was originally scheduled for Saturday, April 25th at the Siebenbuerger Club. Unfortunately, due to the current COVID-19 pandemic, this dinner will be held at a later time. When the dinner is rescheduled, the buffet menu will consist of baked top round of beef, baked chicken, baked ham, meatballs, pasta with sauce, mashed potatoes with gravy, vegetable du jour, crisp garden salad, assorted relish tray dessert special, and rolls and butter. Coffee, tea, and water will also be included. Each guest will also receive two drink tickets to use at the bar which will be worth up to \$3. The attire is business casual.

The cost to attend will be only \$25 per person and this will include two drink tickets.

All members and guests are invited to attend. Please contact Fleet Captain Adam DiNicola at 814-464-6750 or e-mail him at adinicola91@gmail.com to sign up or if you have any questions. A sign-up sheet will be available in the PIYC clubhouse when the new date has been established.

Lift Operators

Due to current circumstances, the Equipment and Ground Operator safety meetings scheduled for April 11th and April 18th are postponed until further notice. All equipment and ground operators who were safety class qualified for 2019 will remain so pending future developments.

Jim Howard
Safety Chairman
(814) 397-9217
tmrw1096@roadrunner.com

Sail Races

Sail Chairman Bob Green has scheduled the Commodore's Cup Regatta dates for the summer. Here are the planned races:

Saturday, May 25

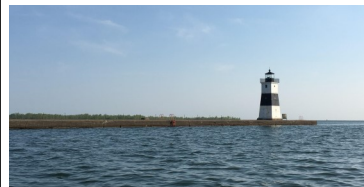
Saturday, June 27

Saturday, July 18

Saturday, August 15

Saturday, September 5

The Captains' meetings will be at 9:00 a.m. with the starting signal at 10:00 a.m. All sailors are welcome to participate with their boats. The Captains are always looking for a crew and anybody wanting to crew on a boat can come to the 9:00 a.m. meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Green.



No Group Gatherings

At this time due to current events the Bridge Officers would like to announce that the PIYC clubhouse and picnic shelter WILL BE CLOSED FOR ALL NON-ESSENTIAL ACTIVITIES UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. This means NO GATHERINGS of people are to be held for ANY reason inside the clubhouse or the picnic shelter. Permitted activities still allowed are as follows: use of the restroom facilities,

use of the laundry room, access to the lift logs and lift equipment, access to the club work party agenda, access to necessary work materials, and limited use of the galley only as necessary. If you must be inside the clubhouse please remember to wash your hands frequently. Hand sanitizer is available in the spray bottles scattered throughout the building. Also consider wearing a mask if you feel so inclined to do so.

Most importantly, stay home if you are feeling ill to limit the spread of infection to other members. This directive will remain in place until at least May 1st at which time the Bridge will decide how to further proceed. This is being done to keep the membership safe and healthy. Any questions or concerns can be directed to the Rear Commodore.

RC Mike Howard

Happy Birthday:

- Allan Belovarac
- Tricia Bryson
- Gerry Butts
- Bobbie Czerwinski
- Joslyn Dombroski
- Kathy Hollister
- Carl Holmes
- Nancy Kelley
- Jeff Kim
- Gary Koenig
- Jim Piersol
- Gary Roesch
- Bill Salchak
- Paul Schroeck
- Kathy Jo Skolnik



Officers' Comments

Since the onset of the COVID-19 virus all our lives have changed very much. We as a club need to do as much as we can to keep ourselves and our fellow members safe. I would like to report at this time the club and clubhouse will remain open, when you go to the club to work on your boat please stay in small groups, practice social distancing and personal hygiene. I am hopeful within the next few weeks things will normalize a bit and until then all projects are being put on hold. The April membership meeting has been canceled at this time. A notification has also been posted in the clubhouse regarding this cancellation. Meeting credits we be considered for all members. So in closing everyone stay safe and hopefully by opening day things will be close to normal. Per the recommendation of the PA Governor, everyone should wear masks or face coverings when out in public. Please try to follow these recommendations as supplies be-

come available.

Commodore Kurt Fesenmyer



One more month closer to a great boating season! C and D docks should be going in the water during the first or second week of April. Let's not forget that when placing the boats in the water SAFETY FIRST! As a reminder 2nd slip requests are due by April 19th. I'm not going to bore you with the water level report this month, but I would like to ask everyone of our members, family, and friends please be safe! I look forward to seeing everyone this boating season!

VC Jim Mazza



As the summer season approaches we have some significant challenges facing us ahead. I have been trying to figure out how best to proceed with preparing the club for the boating season while still taking into account all the current events. At this time we are planning on pro-

ceeding with our backup plan. Since we can't have traditional work parties until at least May, tasks will be placed on a sign-up list that will be in the club house. The tasks will have a priority level assigned to them. I ask that you consider doing the more important tasks first. We will need all members to step up and help out to have the club ready for opening day. You will be notified when the list is available via email. I anticipate this being around April 18th or so. In the meantime please keep in mind social distancing protocols if you're down at the club. Also I would ask that if you are sick that you refrain from visiting the facilities. If anyone has any questions please don't hesitate to ask.

RC Mike Howard



I will have the invoices for fees, access fees, summer trailer storage, etc. ready for distribution and they will be mailed to all members by April 15. The invoices will be

due by May 15 or before you put your boat in the water if earlier than May 15. Included in the mailing will be the 2020 gate cards and 2020 membership cards. The gate card readers will be changed sometime in last week of April or early in May. A notification will go out when they are changed. Please carry your 2019 gate card with you until then. I will publish a Treasurer's Report for the April membership meeting and that report will be posted on the website for membership review.

Treasurer Charlie Longua

Welcome New Member

The Board and Officers have recently decided to take in a new member.

Bill Swain and his wife **Lynn**. Bill is an engineer at Wabtec and Lynn is an accountant at Rick Weaver Buick GMC.

If you see Bill and his family around the club, please introduce yourself and make them feel like part of the PIYC family.

Ramblin's

Congratulations to club member **Justin Figurski** who recently got engaged to **Nicki Borst!**

Condolences to club member **Kathy Hollister** on the death of her sister-in-law. Doris Becker passed away on Monday, February 17th at the age of 95.

Condolences to club member **Justin Figurski** and his fiancé **Nicki Borst** on the death of Justin's grandmother. Emelie DeSanti passed away on Sunday, March 1 at the age of 79.

To maintain accurate voting records, the Board is requesting that meeting credit requests be submitted within 60 days of the missed meeting.

Please do not put your used shrink wrap in the club

dumpster. Once again, Engineered Plastics will accept clean and band-less shrink wrap material this year. Any marina or individual boaters that wish to participate in the program can drop off shrink wrap at the Engineered Plastic facility located at 1367 West 12th Street.

Remember that the mandatory cold weather life jacket wear is in effect until April 30.

Brian and Doreen Logan are still working on getting an online logo sales store created. Stay tuned for more information as it becomes available. Also, if you have any logo sales suggestions, please contact Brian or Doreen.

If you would like to be on the Ground Crew or a Lift Operator Trainee, please

contact **Commodore Kurt Fesenmyer** for more information. It takes a tremendous amount of work to get the boats in and out of the water and help is always needed.

Remember that dock fees are due when you launch your boat or no later than May 15th.

The PFBC will operate under a consolidated statewide schedule for all counties during the 2020 trout season. Under this revised plan, a single Mentored Youth Trout Day will occur on Saturday, April 11, and a Statewide Opening Day of trout season will take place on Saturday, April 18.

Congratulations to **PC Neal Hammill**, this month's money winner.

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Happy
Easter!

