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ON THE HORIZON IN JULY...

Thursday, July 3rd
Hospitality Meeting

Friday, July 4th
Fourth of July Picnic
5:00-8:00 PM
Reservations Required

Saturday, July 5th
JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Sunday, July 6th
JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Tuesday, July 8th
FCA Executive Committee Luncheon

Thursday, July 10th
Prospective Members Night with
Entertainment in the Grill Room/
Ballroom

Friday, June 11th
Friday Night Dining in
Grill Room Only

Tuesday, July 15th
Seminar Cancelled

Wednesday, July 16th
Board Meeting

Friday, July 18th
Friday Night Dining in
Grill Room Only

Tuesday, July 22nd
Ham Radio Club Meeting

Friday, July 25th
Friday Night Dining in
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As I write my *Jib Sheet* article we reach the official first day of summer, and the life around the club definitely looks like summer! The *Gulfport-to-Pensacola Race* brought a number of boats into the marina and filled the Club with yachtsmen from all along the Gulf Coast. And the grass was covered by boats on trailers preparing for the *GYA Challenge Cup* the following weekend. I truly love the look of sailboats lined up “on the hard” getting ready for a regatta.

The first big event of July is scheduled for the first weekend, starting with the Fourth of July festivities and followed by the *Junior Olympic Sailing Regatta* on the fifth and sixth. This event brings in young sailors competing in Club 420s, Lasers, Optimists, Laser Radials, Laser 4.7s and Flying Scots. It's a great time to see the fun of junior sailing!

The summer sailing program is in full swing and **Bert Rice, Jr.** has brought real professionalism to the program. Adult sailing lessons will have started by the time you read this. Adults interested in an introduction to sailing should contact Bert.

The pool has been full with many of our summer guests. Please be sure to make all feel welcome. A new shade canopy will be installed soon, maybe even by the time you read this. The *Fourth of July Party* around the pool will be the place to be! We are also planning a “movie-on-the-lawn” in July, so watch for the announcement.

The second weekend of July will be the *Blue Angels Show* and, of course, that means a raft-up at Little Sabine. Those with boats too small to make it for the entire weekend are welcome to make it a day trip to join the fun. Land yachts are also welcome, as there is always a friendly PYC member eager to provide dinghy transport service back-and-forth to facilitate visits to member boats.

The dry-storage area for trailered boats is full, and we are expanding to accommodate about fifteen more boats. As time allows, we are also making incremental improvements to the marina. **Good things are happening around the Club!**

Let's enjoy the summer and hope the storms stay away.



*Welcome to Summer at the Club!
Do come in!*



The pool has never looked more inviting.



Race boats “waiting on the hard”.



**Hunter Riddle and I are looking pretty happy.
GYA Award Overall - 2nd Place!**





VICE COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

DAN SMITHSON

I hope that everyone has been to the club and seen our beautiful facility! Thanks to **Dana Jackson**, and his Landscape Committee, the flowers around the grounds look great and really enhance the beauty of our Club.

We have many activities planned throughout the year, but every once in a while, a special event occurs spontaneously. Since the last *Jib Sheet* was published, **Walt Smith** proposed to Ms. **Terri Stine** at PYC. The Clubhouse's magic still works... she accepted! *Congratulations and best wishes to you both.*

Our Club Manager, Jim Warwick, and our Dockmaster, Greg Spitzer, have been super busy since the April 30th storm, making necessary repairs so that scheduled functions could continue without mishap. New sand was brought in for our east beach

and Greg was able to spread it, thus restoring the beach for use for our small boat fleet and summer sailing program.

Boaters who use the boat hoist at the launch ramp will be happy to know that Greg has replaced the lower bearing making it easier to swing the boom. The upper bearing will be scheduled for replacement when time permits.

Our next project is the expansion of our Dry Storage area. Our present dry storage area is full-to-capacity, and we have more members with boats that they want to store here. Hopefully this project can get underway within the next few weeks. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call the Club office and let them know.

See you around the Club.

Dan

“THE SUMMER LAWN”



TAPS FOR AN OLD FRIEND AND SAILOR

Mr. Robert H. Kahn, Jr.

Mr. Robert H. Kahn Jr. (1923-2014) a member of Pensacola Yacht Club for more than fifty (50) years, was known around the club as "Bobby." He passed away May 25, 2014. **Bobby** was a long time competitor, sailing on his boat, **SIROCCO**.

Bobby Kahn sailed the "Regata al Sol" seven times, and he won it in 1975. **SIROCCO** was recognized as "Boat of the Year," and Bobby, himself, was recognized as "Offshore Sailor of the Year." He understood that getting our youth interested in boating is critical to the life of the club. On numerous occasions, he contributed to our Junior sailing program. PYC created both the annual "Robert H. Kahn, Jr. Sportsmanship Award" and the "Robert H. Kahn, Jr. Junior Sailor of the Year Award" to honor his many contributions to sailing.

Bobby loved the Pensacola Yacht Club, and he loved the many friends that he met here. *He is missed.*

By Dan Smithson



FROM REAR COMMODORE

BOB AND RENEE SUTTON

I started my article last month with four *Summer Invitational Members*, and what a great start that was. Shortly after the article went to print, *the numbers went out of this world!* We ended the month with **seventeen**

total new members for the Invitational Membership Program! Now, as I said last month, it is everyone's job to keep them. I am going to help you with that on **Thursday, July 10**. We have planned a member drive night with a *twist*.

Membership Night with a Twist: All new members are invited to attend a special presentation on **Thursday, July 10, at 1800(6pm)** being given by Past Commodore **Susan Mckinnon**. After Susan's presentation the new members will be invited to the Grill Room to meet all of the veteran members of the Club. *I am asking all of you to please come to the Club that evening and meet the new members!* I would also ask that you wear a name tag (that will be available that night) to help the new members get to know you and you to know them. Live entertainment will be provided, and the kitchen will be open for dining. This event will also be open to *prospective* members. Come out and support your Club and meet and bring some new members! I would really love for this to be a success!

To finish out last month's list of new *Summer Invitational Members*, I am only going to list the names this month, since there are thirteen! I could use the entire *Jib Sheet* to talk about them all! They are: **Karla Barkley, Donald Cross, Thomas Howie, Stephanie Lastowski, Jane McLaughlin, Sara Shipman Myers,**

Carla Nolen, Victoria Patrinely, Joe Penta, Robin Rainey, Jason Sasse, Nicholas Schumm, and Keisha Streckel. Welcome to all of you!

We also voted in one new *Social Member* couple, **Jennifer and Donald Russell**. They have a young daughter whom they want to teach to sail as she gets older. They own a Hobie Cat and love to sail! We also added to our family another *Non-Resident Member* couple from Georgia, **George Parker Wentworth** and his wife, **Kathy**. Although they are without a boat at this time, George and Kathy love cruising and raft-ups! They join a number of new couples from Georgia, namely the **Costs** and the **Eastmans**.

Our member count today is **474** Total Members with **338** Active Members. The totals are starting to rise, but we can still do much better. *Remember it takes all of us to bring in new members.*

I would like to leave you with just one more thing to think about. I have been reading about what it takes to retain members in a private club. **It is all about the product.** I feel that we have a very good product, but it can always be better, and new fresh ideas are always welcome. If you see a way in which I can better market The South's Finest Yacht Club, please let me or any of the board members hear your thoughts so we can talk about them. We are all in this together. The more dues-paying members we have, the less dues we each have to pay!

As always, I look forward to seeing you on the water, in the water, or around the water...

It's the only way to live!!! Bob





FLEET CAPTAIN'S REPORT

RANDAL RAY

June included two big PYC racing events: the *Gulfport-to-Pensacola Race* on June 20 – 21 and the Gulf Yachting Association (GYA) *Offshore Challenge Cup* on June 27 – 29. Thirty-two boats from several yacht clubs participated in the *Gulfport-to-Pensacola Race*. As of this writing, we expect around 100 sailors will participate in the *Challenge Cup*.

It is a significant event for PYC to be able to host these races. Please feel free to come to the club to show your support and enjoy the activities.

The *Navy Cup Regatta* was held by the Navy Yacht Club June 7 – 8. Participation included competing boats representing their respective local yacht clubs. Congratulations to the PYC skippers and their crews for winning this year's Navy Cup! The trophy will be proudly displayed at PYC once delivered.

A raft up also took place June 14 – 22 in Apalachicola. All who participated had a lot of fun, including those who arrived by land yacht. The next raft up is scheduled for July 12th in Little Sabine for the Blue Angels weekend. The Pensacola Beach Yacht Club will generously lend their club for the PYC raft-up meals. This is another raft up that can be reached by car for non-boating members.

The **Race Management Seminar** was conducted on June 14. Around a total of eighteen participants from PYC, the Navy Yacht Club and the Pt. Yacht Club attended. A special thank you goes to **P/C John Matthews** for delivering the presentation, which was well received by all in attendance.

W.A.V.E. 2014

The third annual Wounded American Veterans Event – “A Day on the Bay” – will be conducted at Plaza de Luna on Saturday August 9. **VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to support this event.** Please consider volunteering to provide our veterans with a fun filled day and to thank them for their service. We need staff for the land-based events and volunteer boats to take the veterans for a ride out on the water. Please consider volunteering to help with this. You can register on the W.A.V.E. website at <http://goo.gl/6VME8c> or simply let me know at the below phone number or email address.

PYC offers plenty of water-based activities from which to choose. Please contact the Fleet Committee members or me if you are interested in participating in any of the below listed activities:

- Cruising/Raft-up – **Chuck & Peg Minnich**
- Race Committee – **Maryanne Hayes**
- Paddlers & Peddlers – **Gloria McMillan**
- Fishing – P/C **Sam Foreman**

As always, your suggestions and comments are always appreciated. We're all volunteers trying to help each of us receive value for our membership by ensuring that we have a great time at PYC! I can be reached at 850-748-9760 or via email at randalray@me.com.



PYC Commemorative Bricks as seen through the beautiful GYA trophies (1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Overall)



“And they're off! GYA Challenge Cup start.”



Save the Date!

PYC NAUTICAL FLEA MARKET



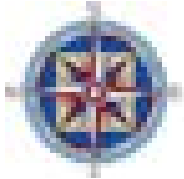
Saturday, October 11, 2014

8 AM – 1 PM

**Donate your surplus Boating Equipment
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PYC W.A.V.E.

The Wounded American Veterans Event was started by the Navy Yacht Club Pensacola, and co-hosted by the Pensacola Yacht Club, Pensacola Beach Yacht Club, Ft. Walton Yacht Club, Eglin Yacht Club, and Point Yacht Club. With the rich military history and tradition in Pensacola, W.A.V.E. 2014 will include a tribute to Naval Air Station Pensacola's Centennial Celebration.

"A Day on the Bay" features a ride on private sail or power boats for wounded veterans and an adult guest of their choice. Activities include an opening ceremony with color guard, special keynote speaker, live entertainment, and a complimentary lunch and beverages. Veterans are also presented with a commemorative visor.

WHEN: Saturday, August 9, 2014

WHERE: Plaza de Luna, Pensacola, Florida

TIME: 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

COST: Free! But registration is requested.

WEBSITE: <http://goo.gl/6VME8c>





CRUISER'S CORNER

CHUCK & PEG MINNICH

As I write this, we are sitting in Tamara's Tapas Bar enjoying live music and camaraderie after a fun day of swimming, sunbathing and showering on the swim platform. The sign over the bar says, "Eat, Drink, Bond." And that pretty much sums up what raft ups are all about.

Peg and I left Pensacola last Saturday morning, aboard our boat, "Point of Sail," and motor sailed to Panama City on a flat, nearly calm gulf. We made the 81 miles in 10 1/2 hours. In Panama City, we joined up with a couple other boats from Pensacola, including PYC member **Mike Patterson**, and anchored in Messalina Bayou. We stayed in Panama City for three days, including an overnight stay off Shell Island.

Next, we enjoyed a wonderful sail to Cape San Blas where we rafted with another boat just around the tip of the cape. There were storms in the area, but they skirted us. The next morning **Julie Denton** on "Night Sky" arrived and joined us on the trip down "the ditch" to Apalachicola. The Night Sky crew told us of the storm that didn't skirt them! They had quite an ordeal with continuous 50-knot winds and sloppy seas. Of course it was in the middle of the night!


Arriving in Apalachicola, we anchored with "Night Sky" out in the river across from Boss Oyster Bar. We learned that the previous night three boats had generator issues, including ours! So, one went into a marina to resolve it, while ours turned out to be a loose wire. The third boat had already planned to stay in a marina, and by the end of the day all the problems were resolved!

Thursday in Apalachicola was spent shopping and eating oysters. **Innes Richards** arrived along with **Kim Ray** in **Innes Richards'** land yacht. That completed the PYC participants, so we all got together and enjoyed the champagne and Bloody Marys supplied by the Club.

Today, Friday, Peg and I took Kim and Innes on "Point Of Sail" out to Little St. George Island in pursuit of a reported beach with "more shells than you can carry." Our scouting party turned up no easily accessed such beach, so we swam off the swim platform instead, ate lunch and returned to the anchorage.

Tomorrow, Saturday, we are all splitting up and going our separate ways, mostly heading in a homeward direction. When you have as much fun as we had, the time passes so quickly!

While our cruising jaunts to Apalachicola require more time, the payback in terms of fun, relaxation, and camaraderie make it more than worthwhile. Maybe, next time, we'll have more people who can arrange enough days to join us. The more the merrier!



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HAPPY RAFT-UP!

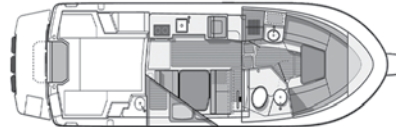
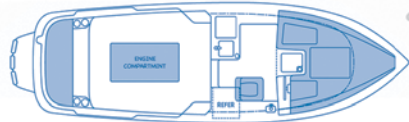
(L-R): **Ron Bray**, Nancy Minnich, **Julie Denton**, **Innes Richards**, Ebba and Ted Dampier, **Kim Ray**, and **Chuck and Peg Minnich** aboard "Point of Sail" in Apalachicola.



BELATED BIRTHDAY WISHES!

(L-R): Claire's friend; **Lori Berry**; **Betsy Moraski**; Birthday Girls **Claire Rees** and **Laura Warren**; and **Susan McKinnon** (Not shown: Party Escort, **Ian McKinnon**)





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SUNDAY

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WEDNESDAY
 ALL YOU CAN EAT
 Peel & Eat Shrimp
 \$9.76++



FRIDAY
 Menu Dining or
 Soup & Salad
 Buffet
 Friday Night
 Drawing

SATURDAY
 ALL YOU
 CAN EAT
 Prime Rib
 \$17.95++
 No To Go Boxes



PYC Bar Specials

Available 5-8PM

Tuesday Absolut
 \$3.50



Wednesday Wine
 \$5.50

Thursday Mt. Gay
 (includes souvenir cup)
 \$3.00



Saturday Martini
 \$5.50

Sunday
 Champagne
 \$2.50



Bloody Mary
 \$3.50

*Sunday 11-2 pm

FRIDAY NIGHT WINNERS

All Friday Night winners need to check in with the volunteers at Ticket Table.

5-23-14

Jackpot: \$200 Devon Benbow (not present)
 Wine: Gloria McMillan
 Dinner: Chad Swan
 Split Ticket: \$103 Joann Bruce

5-30-14

Jackpot: \$225 Murton Guild
 Wine: Bob Wilmer
 Dinner: Bob Sutton
 Split Ticket: \$189 Alan Steele

6-6-14

Jackpot: \$25 Willis Merrill
 Wine: Pauline Scruggs
 Dinner: Linda Williams
 Split Ticket: \$67 Russ Nolan
Trivia Winner: \$20 P/C John Matthews

6-13-14

Jackpot: \$50 Larry Law
 Wine: Johnny Smith
 Dinner: Henry Pearson
 Split Ticket: \$131 Henry Pearson
Trivia Winner: \$20 Anna Foreman

6-20-14

Jackpot: \$75.00 Larry Beall (not present)
 Wine: Linda Oyler
 Dinner: Dan Smithson
 Split Ticket: \$103 Ann Owczarczak
Trivia Winner: \$20 Lori Berry





JUNIOR SAILING

JOHN BUZIAK

Ahoy Mates! "Schools Out!" This is not just the summer battle cry of children all over the country. It's also the name of one of the most popular junior events on the Gulf Coast – the *Schools Out Regatta!* Every year at this time, the *Opti* sailors from all over the *Gulf Coast Yachting Association (GYA)* trek to the *Ponchatrain Yacht Club* for this regatta. According to Chris Friend, Regatta Chair, this was the largest turnout for *Schools Out* in his memory. While the first day was a rain out, it did not stop our team from having a great time in Mandeville! The team went bowling, and it was Coach Eric and his sailors against the parents. The parents lost two games-to-zero. After bowling, the sailors and their families met in downtown Mandeville for the Team Dinner. The parents recognized Eric for his leadership and his dedication during the Spring Clinic. The next day, conditions were much better, and after racing was over for the day, the results were as follows: **Kirby Smith**, 3rd Place in *Red Fleet*; **Matt Grove** 9th Place, **Evan Smith** 10th Place, and **Jewels Heightman** 11th Place in *Blue Fleet*; **Derek Sweet** 4th Place in *White Fleet*; and, **Daniel Salvaggio** and **Oliver Provencher** racing in *Green Fleet*.

At the other end of the GYA, *Pensacola High School* made its first appearance in a high school regatta at the Ft. Walton Yacht Club, FWYC! PYC's **Grace Penta** and **Gorham Partington** dragged a 420 over to the FWYC under the close guidance of Coach Bert Rice, Jr. We learned a lot from the event, such as that our PYC 420 was in better shape than any other boat in the event. It won every race! Of course, crews have to rotate through all the boats to balance out some of these inequalities. In spite of that, the *Pensacola High School* team placed 2nd overall. Congratulations!

Meanwhile, back at PYC, six kids – including our own **Sara Fe White**, **Dominic Lecese**, **Catherine Messer**, and **AG Stitt** – completed the *US Sailing Counselors Course!* This course is a "stepping stone" to the *US Sailing Instructor Course*. In the very near future, we will be able to staff a camp for 40-50 kids per week! The next challenge will be finding all the "pirates" - arg! and kids to fill out those summer sailing classes.

That was all in just one weekend!

Kirby Smith sailed in the *Juby Wynne Regatta* hosted by *Southern Yacht Club (SYC)*. He finished 2nd Place Overall out of 15 boats. Kirby also sailed in the *Inaugural SYC Jr. Team Racing Championship*. His team placed 4th Overall.

A couple of weeks later, we held the second "*Father's Day Throw Down*". A GREAT BIG "THANK YOU" to **Rachelle Gillette** for providing services as Principal Race Officer (PRO). We had always intended this to be an informal local event. Unfortunately it came off a little too informal, as **Rachelle** had to work from a kayak. Nevertheless, she got in three races! **Team Partington (Bruce and Gorham)** narrowly edged out **Team Gillette (Paul and Ian)** by one point. Again, thank you **Rachelle**. Your efforts allowed me to enjoy the *Hernando DeSoto Regatta* up in Lake Arkabutla, Mississippi, with my daughters in our *Lightning*. We will do better next year, so start preparing now! **Go sailing with your kid(s)!**

...**PIRATES** have been spotted in the vicinity of White Island. Certain members of the Board were observed passing a Jolly Roger to a key member of the summer sailing staff. This outbreak of piratical activity could be coming from the highest levels of PYC management! Summer Sailing needs more Pirates! Recruit your favorite



Audrey Foss - happy participant in the Jr. Sailing Camp!



Jr. Sailing participants enjoying the newly restored East Beach.

brigand, arg! - child and get them aboard! Each one is more gold in our "treasure chest."

And speaking of treasures . . . SAVE YOUR JUNK! Why? Well, I will tell you why. The Juniors are planning a *Nautical Flea Market* for the weekend of *WFORC*. Money paid for stall rentals will go to the Juniors, but you get keep whatever you get for your treasures! (See our ad on page 7.)

IMPORTANT REMINDER!

The Junior Olympics is just around the corner!
It may even be in progress as you read this!



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2014 Pensacola Bay Area Racing Schedule

Date	Event	Yacht Club
Jul 5	Patriots' Day	PBYC
Jul 5 - 6	Junior Olympic Sailing Festival	PYC
Jul 26	Bikini	NYCP
Aug 2 - 3	Women's PHRF Championship (GYA)	PBYC
Aug 2 - 3	Race for the Roses	PBYC
Aug 9	W.A.V.E. on the Bay (GYA)	NYCP
Aug 23	Big Mouth	PBYC
Aug 24	Commodores	PYC
Sep 6	Commodores Cup #3	NYCP
Sep 13	Pier and Back	PBYC
Sep 20	Cruising Couples	PYC
Sep 20	Chappell/Stitt	PYC
Sep 27	PYC # 1	PYC
Oct 10 - 12	WFORC (GYA)	PYC
Oct 11 - 12	VX One Fall #2	PYC
Oct 17 - 19	Nacra North Americans	PBYC
Oct 24 - 26	Hobie Wave North Americans	PBYC
Nov 1	Veterans Day	NYCP
Nov 1	Commodores Cup #4	NYCP
Nov 8 - 9	Jubilee	PYC
Nov 15	PYC # 2	PYC
Dec 13	Santa Claus	PYC
Dec 20	Christmas Boat Parade	PYC

2014 Raft Up Schedule (Proposed)

July 12	Little Sabine	Hosts Randy & Kim Ray
August 16	The Wharf	Hosts Karen & Jerry Allen
September 6	Ft. McRee	Hosts Chip & Joyce MacMillan
October 4	Barber's Marina	Hosts Bonds and Fleeges
November 8	Pirate's Cove	Hosts needed
Dec 13 & 14	PYC Marina	Hosts Jim & Linda Oyler - Party & Boat Parade
December 21	PYC Marina	Hosts Jim & Linda Oyler - Marina Party

***Remember, the locations above are tentative and subject to change. If you want to volunteer for one of the open dates please contact Peg & Chuck either by phone (850) 492-4667 or by email at chuckminnich@gmail.com. Also note that all communications about the raft-ups will be electronic, so please keep the club informed of your current email address.

Staff Spotlight

MEET AMY SCHNUPP!

If you find Amy, our beloved bartender and friend, to be an interesting, multifaceted individual, you are correct. Her experience ranges from Disney World/EPCOT speaker on hydroponics!, to manager for the GAP store, to "rehabbing" older GAP stores and "launching new ones," to interior designer, to docent at the Pensacola Museum of Art, to custom drapery fabrication and upholstery, to pet whisperer!



Along the way, Amy studied Interior Design at LSU and at the Ringling School of Art, and earned a BA in Art History at the University of West Florida. She aspires to becoming an entrepreneur in Interior Design by having her own business some day. A number of PYC members have commissioned Amy for various design projects, and she recently completed the beautiful chair re-upholstery project in the Grill. She executed the project from start-to-finish, selecting the fabric and performing every step of this beautiful custom job. Hopefully, members have noticed how much it has "perked up" our Grill.

Since 2009, Amy has tended bar at our Club, and most of us consider her to be a friend, as well. She can talk sports, appreciates (or pretends to appreciate) our jokes (from ribald-to-corny), is always willing to do for others, is loyal to our Club to a fault, and has a very big heart. Just ask her friends and her pets!

Amy is the proud "mama" of Maddy (Madison), a Great Pyrenees; Grayson, a lab/border collie mix; and Creole, an American Bulldog. She also has numerous cats and kittens, but the names change occasionally.

Among her "hobbies" (where does she find the time?), Amy enjoys working in the yard, refinishing furniture and painting. Currently, she is working on a huge painting of her previous dog "Miller." This could become a whole other side to her entrepreneurship! Anyone want a dog portrait? I think that we might!

When asked about funny or frustrating incidents at the Club, Amy thought of only one. Member **Marco Stoli** accuses her of making the worst chocolate martini that he has ever had. When he orders one from Amy, he insists that someone else make it. Nevertheless, they remain good friends and she knows that, with the proper ingredients (the Club was out of several essentials), she could restore his confidence in her Chocolate Martini recipe. I'm betting on Amy! By the way, Richard says that she has never messed up his Chardonnay!



Member Spotlight

DICK and TOM PACE – A Story of Two Brothers

(It was my distinct privilege to sit at “the round table” and go back in time with Dick and Tom Pace. Of course, in keeping with their chivalrous manners, both said that is was their honor to do this interview!)

One could never meet a more interesting and accomplished pair of brothers, but Dick and Tom Pace are eager to trace their success and happiness back several generations to their grandfather, James G. Pace, their father, A.D. Pace, and their beloved Uncle John. Their story actually begins in the city of Pace.

James G. Pace moved to the Pace area from SE Georgia in 1904. He wed at a young age and had four children, among them Dick and Tom’s father, A.D., and their Uncle John. Seeing opportunity in the vast acres of pine trees, their grandfather built a sawmill producing lumber cut from big pines grown on their forested family acreage in Santa Rosa. The town of Pace is named for James G. Pace, about whom stories still abound. He once had a railroad line built to transfer timber to the mill. Because the line didn’t connect with other rail lines, the train engine had to be delivered by boat to the town of New Florida, and then maneuvered to its new rail line! In addition to the lumber business, the family manufactured turpentine, which was essential to the Navy for many and various shipbuilding needs.

In the middle 1920’s, Dick and Tom’s father, Ashley D. Pace, decided the family should stop cutting so many trees in order to allow a healthy regrowth of the pine forest. During the Depression, the Paces moved to Savannah where they discovered a new chemical for use with Southern pines in the production of paper. Having discovered this innovative process, the Pace family returned to the Pensacola area in 1939, and built a large paper mill in Cantonment. Those Santa Rosa pines had regrown! Then known as the Florida Pulp and Paper Company, the mill is still in existence as the International Paper Company. What we now know as Pace Boulevard was once “O Street.” Pace Blvd. is actually the southern end of Hwy.

29, which passes by the mill in Cantonment.

The only sons of A.D. and Marcia Pace, Dick and Tom led a comfortable life as children. When asked if they ever fought growing up, Tom responded that they probably would have fought like “cats and dogs,” if not for the fact that Dick was five and one-half years his senior. That age difference kept Tom “in line.” Although all of the grown-ups felt the Depression, the boys barely perceived it. They were simply happy little boys and said that all they needed was a ball, a kite to fly, or wood to whittle to keep them entertained for hours. During the summers, when back in Pensacola, Dick and Tom would each purchase a “sailing ticket.” This allowed them to sail a “fish-class” sailboat, which they obtained at the water’s edge at the end of Palafox Street. In the weeks prior to summer vacation, a sailing ticket also served as a “pass” to them to get out of school early!

Due to their age difference, Dick and Tom passed through certain life landmarks at different times. While Dick was in college at Dartmouth, Tom was in high school. During his last days as a high school senior,

Tom was attending an afternoon movie when he was summoned to the lobby to call home. His mother informed him that he had been accepted at Duke University, and he had to depart for Duke that very night by train. But first, he had to report to his doctor’s office to get his third Typhoid shot! While Tom was attending Duke University, Dick was serving two years as a Navy aviator flying fighter jets. Both Dick and Tom graduated with degrees in Business/Finance and Pre-Law, respectively. The brothers returned to Pensacola and, as we all know, they have been inseparable ever since. They see each other every day at their joint offices on Palafox and dine at the Yacht Club four days a week, always sitting at the “Round Table.”

Note: This Spotlight article will carry over into the August Jib Sheet. It’s hard to be succinct when one has great material! “Tune in” next month to learn the secret of the “round table” and other things you may not have known!

TO BE CONTINUED!





P/C John Matthews conducting the well-attended Race Management Seminar.



An "evening in paradise."



A Mayoki celebration during "Fiesta of 5 Flags."



PYC SEMINAR SERIES

NEIL THORSEN

I would like to thank everyone who has been attending our third Tuesday night seminars! I personally have enjoyed them all and look forward to the ones to come.

I would like to give you some information as to what to expect for the next several months, and to allow you to mark your calendars so you will not miss our upcoming seminars:

July 15th, NO SEMINAR

Aug 19th, Dr. Della Scott-Ireton, Associate Director of the Division of Anthropology & Archaeology, University of West Florida.

Sept 16th, Lee Hargrove (PYC Member) will present a program on his America's Great Loop cruise in 2008.

Oct 21st, Mr. John Appleyard, local historian, will present a program on the Pensacola waterfront.

The seminars start at 6:00 P.M. I look forward to seeing you at these enjoyable and informative occasions!



Guess Who?

FOUND:

Woman's ring. The ring was found in the women's guest bathroom at PYC the night of the Debutante Cotillion in late December 2013. If you, or someone you know, has lost a ring, please call the Club manager, Mr. Jim Warwick (850-432-7006) to identify.

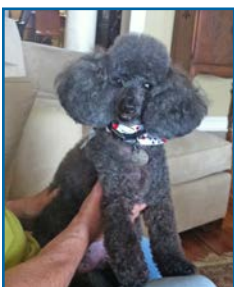


Repaired boat lift!



(This is number four of a new series of columns with the purpose of recognizing integral members of our sailing families – our pets) Since we didn't receive any other submissions for this month, we decided to feature our own "Remi" – after all, he is 14! In future issues, we'd love to celebrate your own canine/feline crewmember. Please send in stories and photos, and tell us about "your" salty pet. Don't be modest – they can't brag on themselves!

MEET REMI



Admiral Remington Steele, better known as "Remi", is a black toy poodle, and he is as salty and entrenched in boating as any dog could possibly be. He is the 14-year-old "puppy" of Marcia and Richard Roberts.

From the age of 8 weeks, Remi gleefully endured 5 ½ hour, almost bi-monthly, round trips between Atlanta and Pensacola! Since he was 13 years-old when he moved to Pensacola, that equals approximately 320 round trips! Whenever we packed our bags for Pensacola, Remi was determined to be in the car, lest he be left behind – as if!

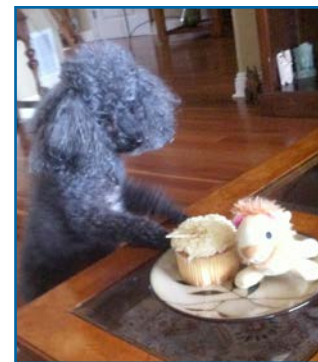
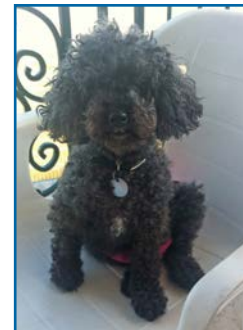
Remi loves his boat "Beach House," a 43' Main Ship trawler, and he loves his new home "Bay House," on Pensacola Bay. He is quite happy sitting in his own deck chair at home, looking across the bay, while watching the mullet jump as

the porpoises chase them. Never to miss an outing on the boat, this poodle is intent on being "first on board."

Remington loves to prowl the decks (a little more carefully than before), and he is particularly fond of standing on the bowsprit or dinghy prow as if he were the figurehead. Although he is now a "senior citizen," about the same age as his parents in "people years," nothing stops Remi from jumping aboard the dinghy for rides, as well as for "essential and fun" trips to the beach - especially for PYC beach parties.

Although he loves to look at, and ride on the water, Remi is not happy about getting into the water! At 8 weeks, he took his first boat trip to the Grand Hotel on Mobile Bay. Remi was about 7 inches long at the time. On the beach for the first time, he adored trying to "dig his way to China," snorting sand the whole time. Unfortunately, his first close encounter with actual water was another matter. Not understanding that water is not solid, Remi pranced from the beach right "onto" the water's surface. Because "he believed," he actually made it about 3 yards out before sinking to the bottom. He was more surprised than pleased! Incredibly, he still loves the water, but he will not dip one tiny paw into it unless he's on a float or in someone's arms! Remi is the proud uncle of Southern Roberts (first subject of the new Salty Dogs column and "son" of Cliff and Kristen). Remi and Southern are only 6 months apart and love one another as long as they are receiving equal attention.

Neither of these "salty dogs" has ever missed a boat trip, and their folks would be dysfunctional without them!





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			PEEL & EAT SHRIMP		FRI. NIGHT DINING IN GRILL ROOM ONLY	PRIME RIB
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		HAM RADIO CLUB MEETING	YOGA		YOGA	
			PEEL & EAT SHRIMP		FRI. NIGHT DINING IN GRILL ROOM ONLY	PRIME RIB
27	28	29	30	31		
			PEEL & EAT SHRIMP			

AUGUST 2014

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