

Welcome to the Pultneyville Yacht Club

New Member Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions

2002 Officers

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Membership has its privileges and can be a lot of fun.

Now that you have joined our club, we would like to formally welcome you to one of the best working clubs on the lake. Working club does bring a degree of worry and work, but you will find more fun social events than working events throughout the season. Working Club also means we are saving some of the expenses you may have experienced or heard about at other marinas.

Membership

There are three levels of membership for PYC. Full membership enables full use of the club and full use of the Launch, Dock, Haul, and Store capabilities of the club. Full membership entities you to our yearly PYC Log publication, the monthly newsletter *Lake Soundings*, identification card, and reciprocal privileges with other Yacht Clubs.

Non-Voting membership at half the yearly rate provides the opportunity to participate in all club events and receive the club newsletter. Non-Voting members had to be Full members previously and still maintain seniority and club privileges. Generally, non-voting members cannot keep their boat at the club facilities.

Social membership entities the person or family to attendance to all club events and limited use of the grounds. This membership is generally used by adult members of full member's families or by members of other Yacht Clubs.

Costs

The PYC membership costs are dependent on your extent of activity with the club. As of 1999 year, the costs can be broken down as follows:

New Member Initiation - \$588.50 Social Membership - \$370

Full Membership - \$370 Non-Voting Membership - \$185

Soundings Only: mailing - \$15.

Dry Sail where you store and launch as you use the boat – no dock - \$350

Trailer Storage - \$25.00

Dingy Storage on the rack - \$20.00 Boat Cradle/Stands Storage \$25

Costs for Docks and Haul, Store, and Launch (H/S/L) will be dependent on the size of your boat. While the formula is reasonably simple, it may be better to provide some simple examples. Use these example costs from the 2000 season to estimate for your current boat and/or perhaps your next boat.

Boat size:	Dock	H/S/L
19 with 7 foot beam, 2.2 foot draft - Sail	\$760	\$200
22 with 8 foot beam, 2.5 foot draft - Sail	\$850	\$200
25 with 10 foot beam, 2.5 foot draft - Power	\$980	\$234
30 with 11 foot beam, 2.5 foot draft - Power	\$1090	\$310
30 with 10 foot beam, 4.5 foot draft - Sail	\$1100	\$280
36 with 12 foot beam, 3 foot draft - Power	\$1230	\$425

What are my responsibilities?

Because PYC is considered a working club, each member is responsible for assisting in the chores required to keep the club shipshape. In addition, members are also required to assist with Haul and Launch of your boat if kept at the club. Basically the list of work responsibilities are as follows:

- Each member must participate in one scheduled workday in the spring of each year.
- Each member must serve as Officer of the Day (OOD) approx. once every two years.
- If you Haul and Launch your boat with the crane at PYC during the winter then you must participate in Haulout Day and Launch Day.
- If you use a cradle that is stored at PYC you must also participate in cradle day.

FAQ - What if I will be out of town on my scheduled workday? Contact the Rear Commodore and arrange to work on the alternate workday or to work on some other mutually agreeable day.

FAQ - What if I cannot be present on launch, haulout, or cradle day? You must find someone to be responsible for your boat. If you can not have another family member there, contact the Rear Commodore for a work assignment. Basically, you are responsible for making sure someone is there to share the work effort and more importantly, take responsibility for the movement and positioning of your boat.

Clubhouse

The clubhouse is the central meeting and facilities area of the club and it reflects the clubs membership. During the season, the club supports a cleaning person to regularly perform extensive cleaning and empting the garbage. However, it is in all of our best interests to make sure we pick up and clean up after ourselves to keep the clubhouse nice.

- **FAQ** Who is responsible for keeping the clubhouse clean? All of us. Don't hesitate to sweep, pick up, etc.
- **FAQ** Who changes toilet paper, towels? All of us. Don't hesitate to sweep, pick up, etc.
- **FAQ** Where can supplies be found? In the closet connected to the Kitchen.
- **FAQ To whom should problems be reported?** The Rear Commodore



Grounds

The grounds area is the biggest area for the club to maintain. As will the clubhouse, the club pays for a lawn maintenance service to keep the grass mowed and debris pickup up. However, it is in all of our best interests to make sure we pick up and clean up after ourselves to keep the grounds presentable and safe for all.

FAQ – To whom should problems be reported? The Rear Commodore or any other board member.

FAQ - Who picks up the garbage? All of us.

FAQ – **Who empties the garbage cans in the pavilion?** Members should take full garbage bags to the dumpster. Replacement bags are under the sink in the clubhouse.

FAQ – What are the boundaries of the property the club leases? Refer to the Map on this brochure.

FAQ - Where is the dumpster? Across the road from the peninsula entrance, inside the fenced area.

A large up-to-date map showing the boundaries and locations of all facilities should be posted in the clubhouse.

Emergencies

Where are:

Fusebox/circuit breaker box for new clubhouse? In the room off the kitchen.

Water cutoff for new clubhouse? Basement through the hatch in the room off the kitchen.

Fusebox/circuit breaker box for old clubhouse? In back of the water heater.

Water cutoff for old clubhouse? Small closet about 7.5 ft from the floor, just to the left inside the new door to the water heater.

Fusebox/circuit breaker boxes for dock power? On poles.

Water cutoffs for dock water supplies? Two places in underground boxes.

Fusebox/circuit breaker box for security lights? On poles.

What are telephone numbers for:

Fire? 911

Plumbing emergency repair? – Rear Commodore or any officer of the club.

Mariners

In the Pultneyville harbor there is another Yacht Club called the Mariners. They are on the east side of the harbor and their focus is on small sail and catamaran boats. They also have a sandy beach. We share invitations to various social events at both clubs. Once a year our commodores race each other to keep a friendly rivalry going.

FAQ - **Are we entitled to use the Mariners' Club beach? To visit their grounds?** Yes to both items, but be prepared to identify yourself as a PYC member.

Getting help

Getting help is usually not a problem after a simple ask. Most of the club members have been new to something while here and have looked for advice from other members. The club is quite open and no one should feel as if there is no one to turn to. Careful though, sometimes there is too much advice!!

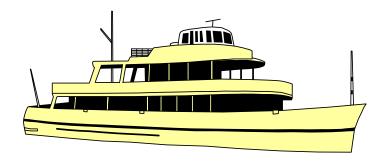
- **FAQ** Who will show me how to use gin pole? Nearly any of the sail boat owners would be more that willing to help. If unsure who to ask, check with the Rear Commodore or the Fleet Captain.
- **FAQ Will other members help step or un-step a mast?** Usually, at the beginning and end of the season, many folks are looking for help and sharing the experience. Simply asking usually draws a willing crowd both sail and power boaters.
- **FAQ** Where can I find detailed instructions for the pompous? Instructions are provided for the new pumpout in its new hose compartment. Check with any of the more seasoned club members for help if you need.
- **FAQ I see that there are two pumpouts. Which should I use? Which should guests use?** The electric one seems to be the easiest better living through labor saving devises. Guests are required to pay a nominal \$5.00 use fees. Use the manual pump only if the electric one is not functioning.

Responsibilities to guests when OOD not present

What are members expected to do when a guest boat arrives midweek and no one else is around? Welcome the guest, assign a slip and collect fees.

Should we try to find the guest a slip if the guest dock is full? Fill slips if at all possible, How much do we charge members of reciprocating clubs? General public? Where is a list of reciprocating clubs? See the Guest book in the clubhouse for details.

Where do we put money that we collect? Where are receipts? In clubhouse money box. What do we charge a guest to use pump out? \$5.00



Haul/Launch

The Haul, Store and Launch activities in PYC are one of the ways we keep the members expenses to a minimum. By working with each other and renting a crane crew, we can effectively get the job done and still save some money. However, because it a group effort, the Haul and Launch days are scheduled as a one weekend, everyone in (or out) at once process. That reduces your flexibility in choosing when to haul or launch, but also reduces the expenses. Trailering or going to other marinas can be your other options.

- **FAQ** When do I have to decide whether or not to store my boat at PYC over the winter? The September Soundings Newsletter will include the application for haul, storage and launch. Generally, the fees have to be paid by around September 20th. You can wait until a bit later, but late fees will be assessed.
- **FAQ** Whom do I notify if I wish to store my boat at PYC over the winter? The person who coordinates the Haul, Storage and Launch varies (remember this is a working club), but their name and address will be posted in the September Soundings.
- **FAQ Am I assured of being able to store my boat at PYC over the winter?** In most cases, space and facilities are not a problem. However, if you boat is greater than 12 foot beam or weighs more than 10 tons, we may not be able to safely haul you boat.
- **FAQ** How do I know which day my boat will be hauled/launched? When will I know? The schedule for Haul and Launch will be posted in the Soundings approximately 3-4 weeks prior to the event. In both cases, you will be responsible for working one half a day during the weekend. Because we use a Friday and Saturday schedule, you will be assigned to work at least one Friday during the year.

Volunteering

Remember volunteering to do something you are good at, is better than being picked to do something else.

FAQ - What kinds of chores need to be done during the season to keep the club running well? A variety of things must be done, some continuously and some occasionally. A list of non-emergency chores is kept posted in the clubhouse. Feel free to take on any for which you have the necessary skills. Each chore lists a contact person if you have questions. Some tools and supplies are in the toolshed. Feel free to use those for club chores, but please put them back cleaned. If you need some modest supplies to carry out the chore buy them and the club will reimburse you. Please check with the contact person before buying supplies in excess of \$10.00.

FAQ - If I would like to help out with various chores during the season, whom should I contact?

- Contact the Rear Commodore for chores related to maintenance of club facilities.
- Contact the Fleet Captain if you would like to help with Navigation Aids, Race events, and odd maintenance jobs.
- Contact the Vice Commodore if you would like to help with social events.
- Contact the Secretary if you would like to help with communications.

Board meetings

The Officers conduct board meetings every month of the year to attend to club business. There are also two full membership meetings in June and December to review club activities and business with the entire membership. All board meetings are posted in the Soundings Newsletter.

FAQ - **Who may attend Board Meetings?** Board meetings are open to all members and members are encouraged to attend.

Odds and Ends

FAQ - **Some members are listed as "Soundings", a category of membership not mentioned in the Bylaws. What is a Soundings membership?** Those listed as "Soundings" are not actually members, they simply elect to receive "Soundings" as a way to stay in touch with PYC.

FAQ - Where can I find a current list of Reciprocal Clubs and their charges for guest docking? During the season, copies of the list of all reciprocal clubs are maintained in the clubhouse. It is also provided in the June *Lake Soundings*.

We hope this document has helped you learn about the Pultneyville Yacht Club and its operation. If there is any thing else that comes to mind, please contact one of the Officers for assistance.

We want to do everything we can to help you enjoy your Yachting activity at the PYC.

The Officers

