



**Port Clinton Yacht Club  
Annual Membership Meeting Minutes**

**November 3, 2022**

Commodore Cory Stine called the meeting to order at 8:00 P.M. with the following officers present: Rear Commodore James Recker, Treasurer Joe Brenner, and Secretary PC Todd Bickley totaling 76 members, including 11 Past Commodores. Vice Commodore Todd Puckett was absent.

The Commodore asked the members to stand for a moment of silence in memory of deceased members: PC Lockwood Zeis, Ari Eickert, Dave Drusbacky, James Wicker, Rudy Dracka, Corrine Smith and former Caretaker Eric Reynolds.

On a motion by Steve Nellet and a second by Steve Hales, the minutes of the November 4, 2021 Annual Meeting was approved as posted on the PCYC website.

The Commodore recognized the Past Commodores attending the meeting and the 2022 Trustees and Flag Officers.

**Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Brenner reviewed the Fiscal Year 22 and proposed Fiscal Year 23 budgets. The Financial Reports and Budgets were made available to the membership. Joe reviewed the Balance Sheet – Assets and Balance Sheet – Liabilities & Equity for 2022 and 2021. Joe also reviewed the Profit & Loss for the years 2022 and 2021 and presented the 2023 budget.

Under liabilities, Joe noted that the club will begin paying down the Croghan building loan.

Joe noted that the Fiscal Year 2023 budget is based on 515 members. Joe reviewed the revenues and expenses and noted that dock fees will be increased. Joe commented that the social revenue numbers are higher than in previous years since the gross amounts are now being reported. Joe also reviewed the cash flow adjustments.

There being no questions or comments, PC T. Park McRitchie made a motion to approve the Fiscal Year 2023 budget as presented. The motion was seconded by William Jilek. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Membership**

No readings.

### **Annual Membership Report**

Secretary Bickley reported that a total of thirty-five (35) new members were added since the last annual meeting. There are 516 (525) members, 485 in good standing, thirty-one (31) members have not paid the clubhouse renovation assessment. Of the 516 members (525), 362 (367) are in-town members and 154 (158) are out-of-town members. In addition, there are five (5) special privilege memberships. There are twenty-four (24) out-of-town and ten (10) in town applicants on the waiting list.

Secretary Bickley reported on the following resignations: Nancy Heller, Jim & Pat Stewart, Brooke & John Stephensen, John & Cecelia Jacobs, Diane Colston, Wesley & Lindsay Hymore, Adam & Jeni Watters, and Dave & Helena Howe.

### **Commodore's Chairpersons' Reports**

#### **Social Committee**

Chairperson Scott Williams reported that there were 75 events scheduled for the PCYC Social Calendar year, May 2022 – May 2023. Scott recalled two events that were cancelled. One was Covid related and the other was weather related. Scott indicated that with six (6) months to go, the current average attendance is 120 members/guests per event. The social committee has reported nine (9) members that failed to fulfill their commitment to their assigned committee to Commodore Stein.

Scott noted that the average number of attendees per event climbed up over the past several years. A main contributing factor is the rejuvenation of our spectacular clubhouse.

PC T. Park McRitchie questioned what happens to members who do not serve their committee assignment. Commodore Stine commented that those unable to serve are required to find substitutes. Those who do not serve and do not provide substitutes are reassigned a committee. If the member continues to not serve a committee assignment, by Constitution, the Board can suspend or deny membership.

#### **I-LYA**

Commodore Stine reported for Dave Nighswander that the 2022 I-LYA meeting was held at the Holding Inn Westlake in April. No major changes or announcements were made,

and the meetings were status quo for I-LYA. There is a movement to revise the Performance Handicap (PHRF) sailboat racing formula, which will impact a handful of racing sailors in the I-LYA. PCYC will co-host the 2023 I-LYA Jr. Regatta this July in conjunction with Grosse Ile Yacht Club, with more to follow on this event from FCoS in 2023.

### Ship's Store

Kim Williams reported the following:

- The ship store was chaired by Kim Thorpe until changing hands in October, with Kim Williams and Krista Kyle as the new ship store co-chairs.
- Equipment to display merchandise has been ordered.
- Additional lighting is needed.
- Current merchandise will be marked down soon to make room for new.
- Currently working with the Board to discuss consistent PCYC logo on merchandise.
- New merchandise will be ordered when above items are completed.

### Historical Committee

No report.

### Planning Committee

PC Phillip Bolte reported on the following:

**Purpose of Planning Committee** - The purpose of the PCYC Planning Committee is to develop and maintain mid- and long-term goals and plans for the club. The mid-term plan will be updated annually and the long-term plan at least every three years. The board may also ask the committee to lead specific projects.

**Members of the Planning Committee** - The committee shall be comprised of a minimum of 6 members plus the Commodore as an ex- officio member. Five members will be appointed for a term of five years, one appointed each year by the incoming Commodore; these five members shall not be current members of the board of trustees. Three of these five members shall be Past Commodores of the club. Every year the term of one of these five members will expire. The sixth member will be the current Rear Commodore serving for one year. This year's members included: Commodore Cory Stine, Rear Commodore Jim Recker, PC Don Rodwancy, PC Mike Nitz, PC Phillip Bolte, Will Moore and Mark Kelley.

**2022 in Review** – This year has been spent entirely on the “Clubhouse Revitalization” project. Construction on the project began in the fall of 2021 with the majority of the project completed by Memorial Day 2022. A rededication of clubhouse was held on the weekend of July 4<sup>th</sup>. The project was the culmination of over ten years of planning and

many upgrades to the building were completed as part of the project listed below. In addition, over \$400,000 of time, talent and labor was donated by the membership toward the project.

Projects completed as part of the Clubhouse Revitalization Project were the following:

- Patch, reseal and strip main parking lot.
- Replace rooftop heating and a/c systems.
- Fill in/cap floor duct work to prevent flooding.
- Move ballroom a/c units to roof and replace furnace.
- Replace flooring throughout clubhouse.
- Bury electric service to clubhouse.
- Install new windows/doors throughout clubhouse.
- Insulate exterior block wall and open soffits in clubhouse.
- Remodel bar.
- Replace clubhouse roof.
- Replace glass house with permanent structure.
- Replace wood deck with concrete patio.
- Upgrade electrical system to modern code requirements.

**Looking Forward** – The Planning Committee will continue to identify long term capital improvement projects and work with the board of trustees to implement those projects.

#### Jib Sheet

Commodore Stine thanked Zoe Edwards for producing the monthly Jib Sheets.

#### **Vice Commodore's Chairpersons' Reports**

##### Fleet Captain of Power

Reporting for FCoS Diane Lark, Commodore Stine indicated that four (4) cruise outs were scheduled: Sandusky Yacht Club, Maumee River Yacht Club, Kelleys Island and Put-in-Bay. The total amount spent was \$1,313,46.

##### Fleet Captain of Sail

The following report was submitted by FCoS Thomas McRitchie, III

#### **2022 Sail Fleet Annual Report**

##### **Learn to Sail/ Jr. Sail**

Completed 3 learn to sail sessions both with am (9am-12pm) & pm (1pm-4pm) sessions.

June 6-17, First session (am/pm); June 20- July 1, Second session (am/pm); and July 5-15, Third session (am/pm).

July 15<sup>th</sup> was the PCYC Jr. Regatta (Next year the event will be held at VBC, we need volunteers)

6 Jr. Regattas were sailed this year.

Grant Dunfee was nominated by his fellow sailors of Jr. Bay to the Jr. Council.

PCYC coach boats are not shrink wrapped this year and will be stored inside. This will help us with general maintenance and cleaning throughout the winter and spring months.

### **Equipment Needed**

First year with our new 18ft RIB work well. Minor repairs had to be done to the steering. Some repairs have to be done to the tubes this winter. Not leaking air but some attachments have to be reinforced.

A Laser got damaged at Jr. Bay in a race that will be replaced by Mentor Harbor Yacht Club's expense.

### **-Next year**

Linda Sprenger has passed the torch for the Learn-to-Sail program and Jr. Race Team. Jennifer Bolte and Sara Short will be managing the LTS program and Emily Dunfee will be managing the Race Team. We are currently looking for a head coach that will assist both Jen, Sara and Emily as well as additional on the water coaches.

### **Auxiliary Fleet**

This year our J24 fleet grew to 7 boats and 2 Thursday evening J24 series were completed. The Results will be announced at the Fall Annual Sailing Meeting November 17<sup>th</sup>. Other races completed by the auxiliary fleet were Sunset Can race and the Commodores Cup.

### **Sailing Fleet**

We successfully completed all of our PCYC scheduled races Green Island Race (Co-Chair VC Todd Pucket & PRO Commodore Steve Harris): 31 boats Only a few small T-shirts left.

Snow Flurries: 10 boats / additional 9 J24's competed in the D12 champs (Co-Chair Jim Recker & PRO Commodore Duane Burgoyne) Second day was a

blow-out

### **Other Sailing News**

Doug & Drew Blackburn plus their families sailed their boat Kinsail in the Chicago to Mackinac Island race finishing 2nd in their class (section 7).

The J-24 Team, NoBS with skipper Park McRitchie, won “The 2022 Great Lakes Championship, Sept 17-18, hosted by the Sandusky Sailing Club. Received a spot to compete in the 2023 J24 worlds in Barcelona, Spain.

### **Account Report**

Summary (1/1/2020-11/4/2020)  
January 1/2022 \$29,180.63  
October 24/2022 \$39,849.27  
Total Income \$24,304.40  
Total Expense \$14,800.08  
Overall Total \$9,504.32  
Some minor income is still not reported

### **Future Plans**

Start discussion on replacing the south hoist that was built in the 40’s with a new one.

To help promote sailing a mailer will be set and the beginning of the year and will have all of 2023 dates and plans. The mailer will include information for the Jr. Sail Camps and Jr. Race team. We will also include the Notice of Race and SI’s for the PCYC Regattas.

Bring back the Silent Auction and Dinner, in years past was the Spaghetti Dinner and Perch Fry.

Please attend the Fall Annual Sailing Meeting November 17<sup>th</sup>.

### **End**

Thank you, members and board, for your support and kindness shown to or Jr. and Sr. sailing fleets and everyone else that made the Jr. Regatta and Sr. Regattas possible.

### **Rear Commodore’s Chairpersons’ Reports**

Government Property

RC James Recker reported that 2005 lease agreement has been renewed for an additional five (5) years and because of the work undertaken by the Club, recent payment to the Corps consisted of \$74.97.

### Dockage

Chairperson PC Dave Bringman reported that the marina was full for 2022. An application will need to be filled out and returned immediately if wishing to relocate or applying for a dock. Also, please advise if you are not renewing your dock. PC Bringman indicated that it will most likely be mid-February when docks will be assigned. Currently, there are twenty-nine (29) members on the waiting list for new docks and twelve (12) current dock holders looking to relocate. PC Bringman asked that all items be removed from the dry sail area and those who have dock boxes may want to ensure that it is weighted down for high winds and/or water.

### Pool

PC Phillip Bolte recognized the pool chairpersons: Jenn Bolte, Amber Schierberg and Lisa Chura. PC Bolte thanked the members for another successful pool year. The pool was able to remain open due to the pool staff. A huge thank you was given to Lisa Chura and Joe Darr for helping throughout the summer when the pool was short staffed.

PC Phillip Bolte commented that the pool guards and attendants were outstanding. A number of returning guards have worked at the pool for 5+ years, with a group of first year guards. Unfortunately, several guards will be moving on, but the committee feels that several of the younger aged guards will stick around. There were eleven (11) guards and nine (9) attendants for the 2022 pool season. Four (4) pool parties were scheduled this past season.

The pool chairpersons have agreed to be chairpersons in 2023.

### Flower Committee

Chairperson Sarah Moore reported that all flowerpots were cleaned for the winter during the Fall Work Party. Sarah thanked the members who volunteered this past year: Tammy Almendinger, Anna Howe, Vicky Heinsen, Chantel Mauk and Carolyn Nitz.

### Tennis/Pickleball/Shuffleboard

Chairperson PC Dr. Michael Hablitzel reported on the following 2022 expenses:

5/10/2022      Allen Shuffleboard \$62.04  
                    Shuffle Beads(3lbs)  
                    Court Wax - 1 Gal

5/17/2022      Bassett's - Paint & Brush \$37.42

8/08/2022 Thorworks \$78.97  
Acryl Crack Patch  
Courtflex Crack Sealant  
8/17/2022 Thorworks \$66.16  
Acryl Crack Patch

TOTAL EXPENSES: \$244.59

PC Hablitzel informed the membership that the tennis court was power washed, and the cracks were sealed and repaired. The court was used for tennis and pickleball. If the water levels stay low, then we can reseal the court and paint the light poles in the future. The shuffleboard court was power washed, painted, and waxed.

#### General Manager (Interim)

Interim General Manager Ted Wierzba informed the membership of the following:

- The marina and North Shore Heads are in the process of being winterized.
- The dumpsters on the north shore will be secured and closed for disposal as of November 18<sup>th</sup>.
- The replacement of docks will begin later this month.
- Dredging will take place later this month.
- Bar sales increased by 9% over the last year.
- Thanked the membership and staff for a successful 2022 season.

#### Rear Commodore Report

RC James Recker thanked PCYC's staff lead by Ted Wierzba.

RC Recker noted another great year at PCYC! Thanks for the continued patience of the membership while construction was finished up. We were able to rededicate our clubhouse in July. Matt has done an outstanding job keeping our grounds looking great with the assistance of Gloria Denos and Denny Snyder. An infield tree was removed, and others trimmed. The river front was seeded, re-seeded and grass did grow!

RC Recker indicated that in the next few weeks several of the older concrete docks will be replaced. Some dredging was done in the spring and will be revisited before winter.

Improvements have been made at the caretaker's house which includes a new range, patio and steps and installation of new windows.

RC Recker commented that membership came together for two work parties and two riser parties which were successful. As a reminder, dogs and smoking are not allowed on the PATIO.



For VC Todd Puckett, Commodore Stine reported that for 2023, no major improvements are proposed, other than completing the clubhouse improvements, undertaking additional dredging, and replacing docks.

### **Audit Committee Report**

No report.

### **Election of Officers**

The nominating committee, consisting of the PC Phillip Bolte, PC Dave Bringman, and PC Andy Schlotterer presented the 2023 Slate of Officers:

Commodore:	Todd Puckett
Vice Commodore:	James Recker
Rear Commodore:	Doug Blackburn
Secretary:	PC Todd Bickley
Treasurer:	Marty Folger
1-year Trustee:	PC Michael Nitz
Trustee:	Steve Hales
Trustee:	R. J. Basil
3-year Trustee:	Scott Williams
Fleet Captain of Sail:	Thomas McRitchie, III
Fleet Captain of Power:	Diane Lark

There were no nominations from the floor.

PC Andy Schlotterer made a motion to close all nominations and instruct the Secretary to cast a unanimous ballot approving the 2023 Slate of Officers as presented. The motion was seconded by Ed Bettendorf. Motion passed.

### **Unfinished Business**

William Jilek made a motion to have monthly financial reports available at the monthly membership meetings. The motion was seconded by Steve Nellet. Motion passed.

### **New Business**

Clara Dracka made a motion to conduct monthly membership meetings on the first Thursday of each month at 7:00 P.M. for the year 2023. William Jilek seconded the motion. Motion passed.

### **Dues & Dockage**

Commodore Stine announced that dues for 2023 will be \$725 plus tax with the initiation fee set at \$1,500 plus tax, with the option of paying over two years, if two-year option is

selected, \$800/year. Dockage will be \$36.50 per foot for boats under 30 feet and \$43.50 per foot for docks 30 feet and larger; and all wall docks regardless of boat length shall be \$43.50, billed at boat length plus 6 feet. The fee for pool guests will be \$5.00 and transient dockage rates will be \$2.50 per foot for guest boats and \$1.00 per foot for member boats. Dry sail storage will be \$300 per season, except for J 24's which will be \$600 per season.

### **For the Good of the Order**

Commodore Stine thanked the social committee for providing snacks for the annual meeting.

Nomination letters for the Oliver True Memorial Trophy can be submitted to any Board member by December 9<sup>th</sup>.

Commodore Stine informed membership that Gloria Denos had surgery and is rehabbing at Firelands.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the members, the meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m. on a motion by Will Moore and a second by John Folger.

Respectfully submitted,

PC Todd Bickley  
Secretary