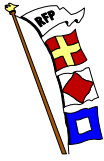




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PRESQUE ISLE YACHT CLUB, INC.



MEMBERSHIP MEETING NOTICE

The first of the fall membership meetings will be held in the clubhouse on **Sunday, October 14th at 2:30 p.m.** This being the first meeting since May, there is much on the agenda. Let's have a good turnout for this first meeting of the fall season! Just a note to add that the October theme party will not be held.



IT'S HAUL OUT TIME

It's hard to believe that another summer is gone. It seems like it just started and now it's time to take the boats out of the water again. Remember that **ALL BOATS MUST BE OUT OF THE WATER BY OCTOBER 15th.** This will be strictly enforced. The modification of the lift well will begin as soon as all the boats are out of the water. The boats will be pulled this fall using the current travel lift but the boats need to be spaced for the new lift since the new lift is wider than the current lift. Please be patient with the lift operators as special care needs to be taken to fit all the boats into the yard with the new spacing. There are several things to remember when getting your boat ready for the winter. Please mark your cradle or trailer with your name and phone number. This will help the officers or anyone else identify your boat in case of an emergency. Don't forget to chain and lock your ladder to your cradle when you are not at the club. This will help deter anyone from breaking into your boat. Also, do not leave used oil on club property. You must dispose of any oil properly. Try to keep the area around your boat neat and clean to help avoid accidents, plus it makes the club look nice. **Remember that cement blocks will not be able to be used for blocking boats.** You may use wood blocks instead. Talk to any officer if you have any questions. Also, after hauling your boat out of the water, please clear your dock space of lines, bumpers, hoses, power lines, etc. within 72 hours or you will be charged \$25 per hour if the dockmaster must remove these items.



LOGO SALES

This is a great time to order special items for the holidays. All orders needed in time for the holidays must be placed by November 10th. If you have any questions regarding anything on display, contact Captain Logo Kathy DiNicola at 452-6612.

DOS AND DON'TS OF JACK STANDS

The following is a list of Do's and Don'ts to ensure that safety is not being compromised. This list should in now way be construed as totally complete to all users of jack stands due to the infinite variable of application, but rather should be in addition to safety precautions already taken.

1. Do not use jack stands to suspend a boat in mid-air.
2. Use blocking along centerline of the boat to rest all the weight on.
3. Use safety chains on all sailboat stands, chaining pairs together from Port to Starboard.
4. Never allow anyone other than qualified, experienced, or authorized person to move or adjust jack stands when in use.
5. Use a pair of jack stands, one placed port and one placed starboard for each 8' of boat's length, minimum of 4 jack stands per boat.
6. Use extra jack stands when used for fin keel and/or bow-heavy sailboats.
7. Never allow anything (such as canvas) to be tied to the jack stands.
8. Use jack stands on firm, stable ground.
9. In windy or open areas, remove masts when boats are placed on jack stands.
10. Apply jack stands so the adjusting screw is as perpendicular to the hull as possible when they are outboard, as far as possible.
11. Replace any jack stand that is damaged or rusted badly.
12. Keep screws greased.
13. If it is necessary to remove a jack stand from under a boat, place another jack stand beside it first.
14. Do not use jack stands for jobs they were not intended for.
15. Do not use jack stands to hold boats up when in transit (i.e. on a truck or trailer).
16. If boats are left on jack stands unattended for a long time, they should be checked for security and locked.
17. Use plywood under the jack stand if the ground is soft.
18. Use a V-Stand under the bow of all fin keel sailboats.
19. Use a V-Stand under the stern of stern heavy of fin keel sailboats.
20. Do not place blocks on top of jack stands to increase their reach.
21. Keep all boats keel blocked as low to the ground as possible. (article from Brownell Boat Stands, Inc.)

FIRST COMMODORE PASSES AWAY

The founder and first Commodore of Presque Isle Yacht Club, Harold Eisert, Sr. passed away on Sunday, September 16, at the age of 91. Harold was very active in the boating community his entire life. He was instrumental in founding the USCG Auxiliary's Flotilla V-2 and was its first commander. He was a member of the Municipal Docks, Wharves, and Boat House Commission, forerunner of the Erie-Western PA Port Authority. Later, he was appointed to the Erie Area Chamber of Commerce's Erie County Recreational Boating Task force to expand recreational boating facilities in the area. In 1958, he helped form the PA Boating Association to promote safe boating, and also served as its financial secretary and publisher of its newsletter. He was also a member of the International Order of the Blue Gavel. Harold truly loved boating and loved the Presque Isle Yacht Club. The entire Eisert family would like to thank everyone for their thoughts and prayers.



PBA / NBF MEETING

The PA Boating Association and the National Boating Federation fall meetings will be held in Erie this year. The PBA meeting will be held at Erie Yacht Club on Friday, October 12th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Contact Bud Ross for more information. The NBF meeting will be held on Saturday, October 13th at Erie Yacht Club from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Contact Bill Heider for more information. These are great meetings to attend to get information on boating issues around the country.



HAUL OUT AND AWARDS PARTY

Read all about the Haul-Out and Awards party in the enclosed flyer. The party will be held at the club on Saturday, November 10th. The dinner menu will include a catered buffet dinner, beer, pop and coffee. The cost of the party is only \$13 per person and please have your reservations in to Rear Commodore Anne Eisert by Monday, November 5th. This is one party that you don't want to miss. If you have any good stories regarding boating tales about any member of the club, please contact any one of the club



RAMBLIN'S

Club member Denny Davis passed away on Friday, September 21 after a long battle with cancer. Our condolences to his wife, Patty. Denny could always be seen at the club all year around. He was very friendly with everyone and will be very sadly missed by his entire family and by everyone at the club.....Congratulations to Gayle Wright, wife of club member Don Wright, on winning the election for State Representative.....Condolences to club member Al Wright on the death of his brother-in-law, George Atkinson, who passed away on Saturday, September 1st at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center at the age of 78. He will be sadly missed by his wife, Doris Wright Atkinson, and the rest of his family.....A very Happy 50th Birthday to PC Tony DiNicola.....Condolences to club member Sam Best and his wife Becky on the death of Becky's mother, Winifred Gross Kirk, who passed away on Tuesday, September 25th at the age of 84. She will be sadly missed by her family..... Rear Commodore Anne Eisert will be holding two work parties this fall, Saturday, October 20th and Saturday, October 27th from 8:00 a.m. until noon. If you still need work hours, this is a good time to get them in. Also, if you have any questions regarding your work hours posted on the bulletin board, contact RC Anne Eisert.....Congratulations to club member Bob Schenker on his retirement from Penn State University. Now he'll have plenty of time to spend on his boat.....There are several dock boxes in the club's yard that are not identified. Please tag your dock box if it's in the yard.....Remember, too, that the club yard is not a storage place for old cradles and boating items. Please remove these items..... A raft-up was held on Sunday, September 2nd and a record 21 boats from PYC were there. A photo is posted on the bulletin board for your viewing. Everyone had a great time!!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Barbara Anderson, John and Diane Best, Kay Bojarski, Buzz Chatham, Rick Claffey, Tony DiNicola, Jim Flynn, Donna Franz, Mike Hornyak, Lance Howell, Starr Janicki, Alice Kenton, Judy Kindel, Gene Krahe, Garry Lombardo, Angello Massello, Bob Renner, Ann Skolnik, Jerome Skolnik, Jackie Staiger and Lori Turner.....all born in the month of October.

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