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# Presque Isle Yacht Club



## Newsletter



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### Summertime Fun!

The 14th annual Dinghy Owners Group (DOG) Poker Run, is scheduled for **Friday, July 14th** beginning at **5:00 p.m.** Dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m. before the race which starts promptly at 6:00 p.m. Once again, this year's recipient of the proceeds will be EASE—Erie Adaptive Sailing Experience. This organization is entirely run by volunteers and allows community members, primarily youth, with physical and mental disabilities to sail independently on Presque Isle Bay. If you would just like to attend the dinner, the cost is only \$5 per person. A reception will be held at the club following the event at 9:00 p.m. where refreshments and snacks will be provided. Everyone is invited to attend the reception.

The **“Super” Big Party** (Super Hero Theme) will be held on **Saturday, July 29th** beginning at 5:00 p.m. with dinner being served at 6:00 p.m. The menu will be dry rub BBQ chicken legs, pulled pork sandwiches, Mediterranean pasta salad, coleslaw, fruit salad, cookies for dessert, beer, soda, and water. There may also be extra surprise dishes. **Super Band** will provide music from 7:00 p.m. until 11:00 p.m. The price is only \$15 for adults and \$7 for children ages 3—12 and children 2 and under are free. You will not want to miss this party and if you wear a Super Hero outfit or shirt, you will be entered into a drawing to win a prize!! Please sign up in the clubhouse so that FC Fesenmyer can get a count for the party.

The first **Scallywag** outing will be Friday, August 4th starting at 6:00 p.m. with hot dogs, hamburgers, sides, and beer. The sunset cruise will leave from the end of C/D Dock at 8:00 p.m. This is limited to 73 people. The price is \$15 per person. The sign-up sheet is in the clubhouse.

The second **Dock Party** of the year will be held on **Friday, August 11th** beginning at 6:00 p.m. with **C, D, and E** docks hosting. Please have some snacks at your boat to share with the other members. There is no cost to attend this party and it's BOYB.

The second **Skallywag** outing is scheduled for Friday, August 25th. More details to come in the August newsletter.

### Upcoming Events

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| Poker Run | July 14<br>6:00 p.m. |
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| “Super” Big Party | July 29<br>5:00 p.m. |
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| Skallywags I | August 4<br>6:00 p.m. |
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| Dock Party<br>C, D, E Docks | August 11<br>6:00 p.m. |
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| Skallywags II | August 25 |
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| Annual Raft Up | Sept 3<br>12:00 p.m. |
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### Happy Birthday:

- Bill Allen
- Sam Best
- Jim Buto
- Janet Coyne
- Dick & Doris Czerwinski
- Tony D'Angelo
- Ann Marie DeWolf
- Adam DiNicola
- Marty Eisert
- Mike Eisert
- Erkal & Connie Eren
- Janice Holmes
- Patti Howard
- Rebecca Irish
- Lori Krahe
- Mike Krahe
- Jason Morell
- Patty Munz
- Dave Nishnick
- Charlene Rupert
- Jerry Skolnik, Sr.
- Jen Tullai
- Bill Verdecchia
- Lorre White
- Robert Wilson
- Tom Wolfe

### Ramblin's

Condolences to club members **John Wronek, Jim Wronek** and his wife **Turk Hamilton, and Heather Oregia** on the death of their mother and grandmother. **Helen Wronek**, who was a past member of PIYC, passed away on Saturday, June 17 at the age of 81.

If you would like to be a member of Boat U.S., you can receive a substantial discount just by referencing PIYC's group number on your application. As a member of PIYC, you will receive a 50% discount on your annual Boat U.S. membership. PIYC's group number is GA84813Y. This membership also entitles you to free towing in Lake Erie.

If you would like to run for an office or the board for the 2018 season, please contact one of the members of the nominating committee—**Frank DeWolf, P/C Mike Galbreath, or P/C Gene Krahe, Sr.** before the November membership meeting.

Congratulations to club member **Bob Bryson** and his wife **Trish** on the purchase of their new boat!

When taking an extended trip on your boat, remember to park in the upper yard away from the main parking lot.

Hope you all had a safe and happy July 4th holiday!

### Happy Anniversary!

Happy Anniversary to those members who have recently celebrated their anniversary as PIYC members:

**15-Year:** Bob Coccarelli

**35-Year:** Bob Jenkins  
John Magee



*"As you can see, 4th of July is one of my husband's favorite times of the year."*

## Officers' Comments

Has anyone seen the Vice Commodore this June? Most likely yes—once or twice—mowing the lawn and griping about having to clean up the dog walk area from other members' dogs. Needless to say we are not all picking up after our dogs and that needs to change! I want to thank the board and bridge for stepping up to take care of what I have not been able to get done. Empty slip notifications have been posted on the bulletin board and round two is just being completed. Remember to check your boats and adjust your dock lines. The

high water level is creating some unexpected issues. Please let me know if you have a light on your dock that doesn't work as we are trying to get them all repaired now that electric has been restored. Try to keep your cords out of the water—this can be a safety hazard. During the month of June, two water related deaths have occurred due to electrical shock; one in Put-In-Bay and the other in NJ. If you are traveling on your boat, please let us know per the dock rules so we may utilize your slip for transients. Finally remem-

ber you are not permitted to store your kayaks or water boards on the docks. They need to be on your boats. We are in the process of addressing a long-term storage area for our toys. If you are interested in a slot for your kayaks or water boards let me know so we can build enough spaces.

VC Herb Torrance



### July Board Report

Several issues were discussed about members and problems with their boats not being in by the club deadline

dates. Several letters were written and appropriate actions were taken.

You will be receiving email reminders one week prior to the due dates of bills and deadlines for boats in and out of the water. You will no longer receive a courtesy phone call.

Bill Ramey was granted 25-year inactive status.

The board is looking at the possibility of allowing club members to use their credit card to pay club fees. The new credit card system may allow for this.

## Lake Erie News

The Canadian Parliament has passed a bill that no longer requires American boaters to report to Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) officers whenever they enter Canadian waters --something that has been nearly impossible to determine given the complexity of boundary lines. US boaters will now be exempt from reporting to CBSA, **permitting they do not anchor or arrive on shore.** With its implementation, American boaters will now enjoy a more welcoming boating environment in Canada, which is positive news for Canadian tourism,

boating access and the recreational boating industry. In a recent NMMA study, it was concluded that nearly 4.3 million Americans boat in the Great Lakes region alone every year. NMMA Canada would like to congratulate Senator Bob Runciman and Member of Parliament, Gord Brown, on their success in passing this bill, which is officially known as the Conveyance Presentation and Reporting Requirements Modernization Act.



Great Lakes water levels - weekly report Date Posted:

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The expected water levels on the Great Lakes for June 30, 2017. Connecting Channels and the St. Lawrence River, given in inches above (+) or below (-) Low Water Datum (LWD). LWD is a plane of reference used on a navigation chart. It is also known as chart datum. Great Lakes: Lake Ontario +62, **Lake Erie +52**, Lake St. Clair +48, Lake Michigan-Huron +35, Lake Superior +20. St. Lawrence River: Above Long Sault Dam +45, Above Iroquois Dam +44, Ogdensburg +65, Alexandria Bay +58 Head of River at

Cape Vincent +62. Detroit River: Lake Erie at Pelee Passage +52, Mouth of River at Gibraltar +52, Fort Wayne +53, Head of River above Belle Isle +49. St. Clair River: Mouth of River at St. Clair Flats +48, Algonac +50, St. Clair +41, Blue Water Bridge +42, Head of River at Fort Gratiot +38, Lake Huron Approach Channel +35. St. Marys River: Mouth of River at Detour +35, West and Middle Neebish +32, Head of Little Rapids +30, U.S. Slip +28, Above Locks +24, Head of River at Point Iroquois +20.

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