CLEAN-UP DAY - May 20, 2006

Throw on your work clothes and come down to the club for the annual Clean-Up Day on Saturday, May 20. Work will begin around 8:00 a.m. The early bird gets the worm— or at least the first pick of donuts, freshest coffee, and best work detail assignment! In addition to an array of morning treats, a free lunch-eon will be served to all the helpers. Members who help will also receive free dockage; please contact Club Manager Jack Harris to make a reservation. Everyone's help is needed and greatly appreciated.

PUT-IN-BAY COMMUNITY SWIM/SAIL
Swim/Sail Registration Due May 1, 2006
Register early and help us plan for another successful season. Program dates, information and required forms are available online at pibswimsail.org and the post office. We will try to accommodate all students; however, space may be limited by the # of instructors, chase boats and available pool time. Registration forms and a small deposit are due by May 1, 2006.

Veteran instructors Pat Mooney and C.C. Skoch are returning to the sail program. They will be joined by College of Charleston sailor Megan Riddle. Megan, who grew up sailing in Vermilion, will be our Race Coach. Sailing classes and the 5 week endurance swim class will run June 12 to July 14. Morning swim classes with Anne Auger will run June 19 to July 14.

The Community Swim/Sail Program looks forward to your involvement. If you have questions about swimming, contact Anne Auger at 419-285-7663. For sailing info contact Jane O'Brien at 440-286-5546. We are looking forward to another successful, fun-filled summer.

JUNIOR SAILING—HOW YOU CAN HELP?
We can put your used boating equipment to good use. Old mushroom anchors will work for our marks and boat fenders, too small for your new boat, will keep the whalers safe. Please drop them at the club on Clean-Up Day. We also need your creative talents and skills to design and build sail equipment storage for the barn addition. If you are interested in helping in any way, contact Jane O'Brien at pibsail@yahoo.com. And, of course, we always need money. Wish list items include multi-boat trailering systems to save on travel costs and an additional chase boat to meet the needs of our growing program. I am always amazed when I see the list of those who support Swim/Sail and recognize names from my junior days. What an incredible tradition. Thank you for your past and future support.
**Commodore’s Briefing**

Welcome to the 2006 season! There are great things ahead with a packed schedule and something for everyone. VC George and RC Jennifer have been very busy this winter. In addition to dinners and cruises, we also have many projects that will require helping hands. Call this the “Year of Finishing Things” as we update landscaping, extend the sidewalk, complete the fence, replace carpeting, rearrange the barn, paint docks, and even complete the 20th Century fundraiser.

Critical to our success are Jack Harris II, who is returning as Club Manager, and Sharon Conte-Siwa, back for another year of outstanding food service. We will also welcome a new face, Marilyn Chadwell, supporting our facility upkeep.

We are anticipating great things over the I-LYA bayweeks this year. Our own PC Jack Attkisson has been elected 2006 I-LYA Rear Commodore. Congratulations Jack! This means “we” are now “they,” if you know what I mean. It’s going to be a busy season – let’s make it fun!

Bob Bahney III, “da Big Kahuna”

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**Ad-Vice**

The Cruise Outs are well underway for the 2006 season. While most of the details are similar to 2005, there are some aspects to be worked out. The important part of this message is to get the dates on your calendar. The contact person for each event will be providing the details. You may sign up at the Club and/or on line at our web site: www.pibyc.org.

- **Vermilion Yacht Club** by car or boat  
  June 9, 10, and 11; Dave Butz, Fleet Captain
- **Nor’Easter Club** by car or boat  
  June 25, 2006, 1700 hours
- **Schoolhouse Bay - Middle Bass Island**  
  August 5, Noon-4:00 p.m.
- **Pelee Island, Scudders**  
  August 17; Bob Bahney, Jr., P.C. Fleet Lt.
- **Leamington Municipal Marina, Ontario, Canada**  
  August 18, 19 and 20; P.C. Bob Bahney, Fleet Lt.
- **Cedar Point, (Boat Show)**  
  September 15-17; Fleet Capt. Dave Butz
  some dock at Cedar Point, some at Sandusky,

The Old Club, Harsens Island, Michigan. The Club welcomes an informal group from the PIBYC. This will not be a Club function as our dates are taken until 2007. Sam Gregory is the contact person.

Please note the “Save the Date” notice regarding the August 12 Fundraiser - Mardi Gras comes to Put-in-Bay. More details later.

George C. Smith  
_Vice Commodore_

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**Rear View Forward**

It’s Spring again in Ohio and I am sure everyone is looking forward to getting back to the island. Consistent with erratic Ohio Spring weather patterns, yesterday it was nearly 70 and today I am watching snow flurries out the window. I hope that you all had an enjoyable Fall and Winter. The Winter Doldrums festivities were a lot of fun. I thank everyone for attending and helping to make this event so successful.

PIBYC will be kicking off the season with the annual Clean-Up Day on Saturday, May 20, beginning at 8:00 a.m. With our big landscape project to complete and the new barn to organize, there will be a lot of work to do. We can use the helping hands of every member! Special thanks to those of you who already signed up to participate at the winter meeting. As promised, members will receive a delicious lunch and free dockage for all their help. If you need dockage, please contact the club and/or Club Manager Jack Harris right away. Please plan to attend and help the club get in ship-shape for all the summer fun!

The Memorial service and Eye Opener will be May 28, beginning at 12:30 p.m. You won’t want to miss this event this year. In addition to the Memorial program and luncheon, a local barbershop quartet, *Esprit de Chords*, will be entertaining members and guests with an Americana medley of tunes, using their own unique, comedic, style. The price of the luncheon will be $15 per person, $7.50 for children ages 6-12, 5 and under dine free. Please contact the club in May to make a reservation.

Please don’t forget to sign up for the fishing expedition on Saturday, June 10. Pat Chrysler will be taking members and guests on a day long fishing trip. Pat has personally selected the date, to ensure our group with the best possible fishing Lake Erie has to offer. We still need to fill 7-10 seats in order to make the trip! Contact me at (419) 443-1086 or jenniferlkahler@yahoo.com to reserve your spot today!

Following the fishing trip, there will be a fish fry dinner at the club for the entire club to enjoy. PIBYC will be open and active all summer long. Be sure to check out the calendar of events that is posted on the PIBYC website and that will be posted at the club. Should you have any questions or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you again for the opportunity to serve you and PIBYC as the Rear!

Jennifer L. Kahler  
_Rear Commodore_

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**The Yearbooks are Coming**

The books are being worked on and will be available starting Memorial Day weekend. If you sent the extra $5 for postage with your membership renewal, your book will be mailed to your current address. Others can pick up their books at the Club office during office hours or any event.
**Auxiliary**

During these winter months I have been working on scheduling our Tuesday luncheons including arranging for a few speakers for us. I will announce our complete schedule in the next issue, but for now, put the opening luncheon – Tuesday, June 13th, on your schedule. It’s a RED HAT affair.

Joan Kempf and I took advantage of Miller’s January boat service to visit the clubhouse with carpet samples. New carpeting is being planned for the front room. Our goal is to have the carpeting installed in May.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Sally Duffy for all her hard work during 2005. Her counseling job and a new granddaughter plus club duties produced a hectic summer for her. She did a super juggling act!

Remember, any amount of volunteer time that you can give for any event is most welcome. Just let us know which activities interest you.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

Diane Ketterer  
Auxiliary President

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**Club Manager Notes**

Well spring is about to bust in, not soon enough for most of us. I am greatly looking forward to my first full year as your Club Manager.

We have added Marilyn Chadwell to our staff as my sidekick. Some of you have met her either at the Winter Meetings or at the Change of Watch Dinner.

Together, we are ready to make the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club all that it can be. If there is anything we can do to help you enjoy your 2006 season, please do not hesitate to ask.

See you all at the Spring Clean-up Weekend.

Jack Harris  
Club Manager

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**Attention All Anglers!!!**

Join us for the 1st Annual PIBYC Fishing Expedition. Captain Pat Chrysler will lead PIBYC members and guests on an all day fishing expedition on Saturday, June 10, 2006. The cost will be $125 per person, which includes everything you need to fish (except skill, luck and talent), snacks, lunch, and drinks. Reservations are now being accepted and are limited to 20 persons.

Contact Jennifer Kahler at: (419) 443-1086; jenniferlkahler@yahoo.com; 106 N. Sandusky St., Tiffin, Ohio 44883, to make your reservations today!

Don’t forget there will be a Saturday night Fish Fry Dinner at the club in honor of the fishermen with plenty of opportunity for sharing the day’s fish tales.

*Please make your reservation NOW!*
Help Needed
Spring Clean-up
May 20, 2006
Lunch and Free Dockage

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# 2006 Club Calendar

Dates and times tentative, see www.pibyc for updates

**APRIL**
7-9 I-LYA Spring Meeting, Sandusky Holiday Inn

**MAY**
1 Swim/Sail Registration by Mail Deadline
20 Clean-up Day, 8:00, Lunch, 12:30
20 Board Meeting, 13:00
26 Friday Dinner, 18:00
28 Memorial Service, 12:30
28 Eye Opener, 13:00

**JUNE**
1 Weekday Adult Sailing Series Start (*every Thursday*)
3 Men's Spring Regatta
9 Friday Dinner, 18:00
9-11 Vermilion Cruise-out
10 Charter Fishing Expedition, 7:30-16:00
10 Women's Spring Regatta
10 Fish Fry, 18:00
12 Sail Classes/Endurance Swim Begin
13 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00 - Red Hat
14 Family Night Dinners Start, 17:00-19:30 (*every Wed.*)
15 Multi-Hull Sailing Seminar
15 Thursday Night Dinners Start (*every Thursday*)
16 Friday Dinner, 18:00
17 Weekend Adult Sailing Series Start (*every Thursday*)
17 RC Jack's Steak Fry Benefit
18 Father's Day Brunch, 11:30-14:00
19 Morning Swim Classes Start
19 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
20 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00
20 Swim/Sail Spaghetti Dinner Benefit (Public Welcome)
24 Board Meeting, 9:00
25 Nor'Easter Club Dinner, 17:00
26 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
27 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00
30 Friday Dinner, 18:00

**JULY**
1 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
2 Freedom Melting-Pot-Luck (tentative)
3 Kid's Movie Night, 1900
4 Light Dinner Menu
7 Friday Dinner, 18:00
8 Classical Music Fundraiser with Wine/Cheese Tasting
9 Sunday Brunch, 11:30-14:00
9 Kenny Kidd Piano Show for Children
11 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00
14 Friday Dinner, 18:00
15 Swim/Sail Awards, 19:00
15 Parrot Head Party (Cowboys in the Jungle), 19:00
16-20 I-LYA Jr. Sail Regatta (volunteers needed)
18 Auxiliary Luncheon at The Crew's Nest, 12:00
20 I-LYA Jr. Sail Awards After-Party at PIBYC
21 Backus Cup Regatta
21 Friday Dinner, 18:00
22 Board Meeting, 9:00
22 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
23 Antique Car Parade After-Party
24 AYC Meeting and Dinner
25 Auxiliary Luncheon, Christmas in July, 12:00
26-29 I-LYA Power Boat Regatta
29-30 I-LYA Deepwater Races
30-3 I-LYA Sail Regatta

**AUGUST**
1 I-LYA Ladies Tea, 12:00
1 I-LYA Sailors' Steak Roast
3-5 Shark National Regatta
4 Friday Dinner, 18:00
5 School House Day Picnic, 12:00-16:00
8 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00
11 Friday Dinner, 18:00
12 Board Meeting, 9:00
12 New Orleans Mardi Gras Fundraiser Dinner
13 Sunday Brunch, 11:30-14:00
15 Auxiliary Luncheon, 12:00
16 Family Night Dinners End, 17:00-19:30 (Wednesday)
17 Pelee Cruise-Out (overnight Thursday)
17 Thursday Night Dinners End
18-20 Leamington Cruise-Out (Tomato Festival)
18 Friday Dinner, 18:00
19 Fine Dining (Reservations Required)
25 Friday Dinner, 18:00
26 Moonlight Cruise TBD

**SEPTEMBER**
1 Friday Dinner, 18:00
2 Clambake, 17:30 (Reservations Required)
3 Pancake Breakfast, 8:00
3 Annual Meeting, 15:00
3 Pizza Party, 17:00
4 Board Meeting, 9:00
8 Friday Dinner, 18:00
15-17 Sandusky/Cedar Point Cruise-Out
15 Friday Dinner, 18:00
16 Men's Fall Regatta
22 Friday Dinner, 18:00
23 Women's Fall Regatta
29 Friday Dinner, 18:00

**OCTOBER**
6 Light Dinner Menu
7 Board Meeting, 9:00
7 Change of Watch, 18:00
8 Planning Meeting, 9:00
8 Eye Closer, 13:00

**DECEMBER**
1-2 I-LYA Winter Meeting
Sandusky Holiday Inn
THE BACK 40

Your Commodore wasn’t looking to initiate any major construction projects this year, but it became obvious during fall closedown activities that we were way short on storage space. There was no room to store boats recently purchased for the junior sailing program, tables and chairs are permanently stacked in the back hallway, outdoor patio furniture is crammed into the front room for the winter and the sailing program storage shed is literally on the verge of collapse.

The solution, approved by the Board of Trustees at the winter meeting, is an addition to the pole barn. Plans for such have been discussed for years. The existing pole barn will be extended back an additional 48 feet – doubling the current storage capacity, at a reasonable price. The basic addition should be complete by Cleanup Day. Now we’ll need volunteers to add internal framing for a sail locker, electrical fixtures, and custom shelves, hooks, etc. for the sailing program. There will also be space for tables and chairs for sailing instruction. We’ll need to do some rearranging to make the most of the space, and we hope we can count on your help.

DOCKAGE RESERVATION UPDATES

The reservation book is open, and our Club Manager has been busy taking reservations since our winter meeting. Based on experience from our first year of operation, two changes have been implemented for 2006 reservations. There will be a minimum 2-day reservation on weekends, and the cancellation deadline is now 12 NOON on the day prior to the reservation. Prices and the maximum number of standing reservations (3) remain the same. Full rules and reservation policies are available online at www.pibyc.org.

I-LYA

John Onacila, 2006 Commodore, sent an article announcing that West Marine will be the title sponsor for the ’06 Regatta.

The Spring Meeting is April 7, 8, 9 at the Holiday Inn in Sandusky. This is a great time to renew old friendships and make new ones. Hospitality will be alive and well. We will also have some St. Hazards (of Middle Bass Island) gift certificates to be raffled at the banquet. A great deal of information will be at hand in the Saturday Junior Power and Sail, Senior Sail and Power meetings.

I-LYA Rear Commodore Jack Attkisson is hosting a Steak Fry fundraiser at PIBYC on Saturday, June 17th. Come enjoy an excellent meal and support our Past Commodore. Proceeds will help offset the various costs incurred by an I-LYA Commodore and his home club. Congratulations Jack, PIBYC is proud of you.

Membership Memos

Membership renewals now stands at 340. We have had $4199 donated to the building fund, $800 given to Junior Sailing, and over $1176.00 in donations from our Yearbook Patrons. We welcome our new members since last fall, including:

Sharon and Donald R. Granter, Mansfield, Ohio;
Fred and Jenny Everson, Sandusky, Ohio
Bill and Bonnie Cantillon, Melbourne Beach, Florida.

We look forward to meeting you all this summer!

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We get mail...

Mary Ellen Werner received this note with a membership renewal form from Kaye McCarthy who is wintering in Green Cove Springs, Florida: “NaviGator is cruising in the Marshall Islands and proudly flies her PIBYC burgee. We race in the monthly races held by the local yacht club. Last month we took second out of 9 boats - even though we have a floating Winnebago!”

This letter was written to Mr. T. B. Alexander, Secretary of the PIY Club in Put-in-Bay, Ohio dated January 10, 1925. It reads “Dear Tom: This is in answer to your letters making inquiry as to the house service at the Yacht Club House for a period 244 days from April 1st to December 1st of each year. You and Mr. Jaynes vary in our estimate as to the size of the light necessary. I shall give the estimate on a 50-watt lamp, then if a 25 watt lamp is found to be sufficient the cost of maintenance of course will only be in proportion.

Instead of quoting a flat rate we will install an extra meter for this service and charge the regular rate and at the end of the season I shall send the Club my personal check for 20% of the cost of current for maintaining this light as my contribution toward the same.

The estimate will then be approximately as follows: A 50 watt lamp for 244 days of 10 hours each would cost $32.94 less my contribution of $6.58, leaving a net cost to the Club of $26.36. Any smaller size lamp is found to be sufficient the cost of maintenance of course will only be in proportion.

Trusting that this proposal on our part may meet with favor and that you may be successful in having this service established we are, The Put-in-Bay Improvement Co.”

This letter was written from Fort Dallas Apts., Miami, Fla. Interesting!

Take A Bow

PC Bob Bahney Jr. for orchestrating yet another construction project (barn expansion). Just call him “Bob the Builder!”