Commodore’s Briefings

I am looking forward to serving our Club as Commodore for this next year. Following the Change of Watch we kicked off the new year with a planning meeting on October 3, 2004. We covered a wide-range of topics including 2005 club events, committee appointments, yearbook planning, I-LYA Regatta, dock plans and membership drive. The planning meeting was very productive.

The dock project is moving along on schedule thanks to the dedicated work of Bob Bahney, Jr. I believe the dock project is a pivotal point in moving our Club forward. The new dock will allow us to accept cruise-ins from other yacht clubs providing dockage from a sizable number of boats. The dock project will also have a significant positive impact on attracting many new boating members.

We will continue our push to add new members to attain our membership cap of 500 members. We need the help of each of our members to meet this goal. Our current membership is above 400 with nearly 100 members added this past year. The larger membership opens many new opportunities for our Club. So, please make an effort to sign-up at least one new member.

The 2005 season will see more events planned at our club, expanded food services and extended days that the club will be open for the members. We may host other sailing events in addition to the I-LYA Regatta. Talk is that we may have some adult sailing classes and events.

The I-LYA fall meeting will be held in Sandusky, OH at the Holiday Inn on December 3rd and 4th. This is a great opportunity for our membership to show support in numbers because the I-LYA Regatta provides a significant amount of financial benefit to the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. Please support this fall event with your presence. Our delegates are Chris Miller and Jack Attkisson.

Our next club event is the Winter Doldrums’ party and business meeting scheduled for the January 14th, 2005 weekend. We will have our town hall meeting on Saturday afternoon where we will discuss plans for the 2005 season. We welcome all comments and ideas. Please attend this fun-filled and productive weekend that will shape the 2005 season.

Best Wishes for a safe and happy winter season.

Richard L. Meyer
Commodore

I-LYA Winter Meeting

Join the Flag Officers at the I-LYA Winter Meeting to be held at the Sandusky Holiday Inn, December 3-4, 2004. Look for detailed meeting information online at www.i-lya.org.

7th Annual Winter Weekend and Doldrums’ Party

January 14-15-16, 2005
Fairfield Inn, Port Clinton
(Route 53 North and Route 2)

Friday, January 14, 2005
Cocktail Party - 8:30 p.m. til Midnight, Fairfield Inn
Bring your own liquor, beer & wine and a snack to share. Pop, ice, etc. will be provided.

Saturday, January 15, 2005
Board Meeting - 10:00 a.m.
Long-Range Planning presentation
Lunch - 12:30 p.m. (complimentary buffet for all)
Town Hall Meeting - 2 p.m. til ?, Fairfield Inn.
A round table discussion of the future of our Club, capital improvements, etc.
Winter Doldrums’ Party - 6:30 p.m.
Mon Ami Restaurant, Route 53 North, Port Clinton
$33.00 per person • Full Buffet • Cash Bar
Pajama Party back at the hotel after dinner

Sunday, January 16, 2005
Sunday Brunch, Sandusky Yacht Club (optional)

Your check is your reservation for dinner. Make check payable to: Put-in-Bay Yacht Club.
Send check to: George C. Smith, R.C.
2561 Brixton Road
Columbus, OH 43221
(Home: 614-488-1117)

Reservations deadline is January 3, 2005

Reservations for overnight accommodations can be made by calling the Fairfield Inn directly at 800-228-2800. Mention Put-in-Bay Yacht Club when making reservation by January 3rd and get a $35 (plus tax) rate for single or double (includes breakfast).

Come join your friends for the weekend or just for the Saturday Evening Dinner... but come!
**Ad Vice**

So, I guess that the “Vice” Commodore is in charge of depravity, bad habits, and immoral conduct, right? Well, that’s a strange staff position but I’ll see what I can do. (It can’t be worse than being the butt of “Rear” Commodore jokes.)

The 2004 season is done and the Club is dark, but there is still much planning to do and we are well on our way to having a full calendar of “fun” planned for 2005. Look on the Club web site [www.pibyc.org](http://www.pibyc.org) for a preliminary calendar soon. Dates will be finalized at the January 15th Winter Meeting where we will also discuss dock reservations, pass sign-up lists and have lots of fun.

If you’ve already bought a 2005 calendar, here is some advance notice on the cruise-outs scheduled for next year. We have reservations at Old Club for July 13-15 and at Leamington for August 19-21. The first cruise-out of the year is scheduled for June 17-19 but the location has not been finalized. We are hoping to return to the Nor’easter Club for dinner, possibly Sunday, June 26. More details will be in the next Jib Sheet.

We had an amazing year for membership recruitment. The challenge now is to continue with growth but also to focus on membership retention. The membership records indicate that a significant portion of the yearly turnover includes those who have been a member of PIBYC for only a year or two. Please take the time to introduce yourself when you see a new face at the Club. Friendship and camaraderie are the forces that keep our props turning.

Bob Bahney III  
“Commodore of Good Vices”

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**Rear View**

**Forward to 2005**

I am pleased to be able to continue my service to our outstanding Club as your Rear Commodore. This places one in a position to become Vice and then Commodore, if elected by the Board. The obvious value of this progression is that you learn every detail of the job requirements as you progress. Briefly described to me, I have been told that Rear Commodore oversees the events and activities that take place in the Clubhouse. Now let us begin!

The 7th Annual Winter Weekend (see front page) temporarily interrupts our hibernation and promises to again be a special event to renew acquaintances. Our friendly and economical host, Fairfield Inn, provides our housing ($35.00) including breakfast and free meeting space. The historic Mon Ami Restaurant has reserved their private (beautiful stone walled) upper room for us with good food and a reasonably priced bar. The 2 p.m. Saturday meeting will give you an opportunity to tune-in to our 2005 plans and give us your input.

Happy holidays. See you at this great weekend.

George Smith  
*Hintener Commodore*

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**Congratulations** to Rose Kahler, the second recipient of the Betty Neff Award and to Larry Ripich, recipient of the Jim Crain Award. Both awards were announced at the Change of Watch.

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**Restroom Access**

Outside access restroom and shower facility policies have been continued from last year. To preserve the quality of our facilities, keys are limited to PIBYC members, dock customers and members of affiliated yacht clubs with proof of membership. PIBYC members may receive a yearly key for the entire season. The key deposit is $50.00, refundable upon return of key at season’s end. Our dock customers will receive a weekly key upon payment of a $10.00 deposit. Affiliated yacht club members not docking at PIBYC may rent a weekly key at a cost of $5.00 per day and a $20.00 refundable deposit. Proof of affiliated yacht club membership is required. Keys are for the use of key assignee and guests on his/her boat and the use is not transferable. Abuse of this policy will result in confiscation of key and forfeiture of deposit. The outside restrooms will be open and unlocked during special events and I-LYA Regattas.
**Auxiliary**

Many thanks for the support that has been offered to me, and more is certainly welcome as I start the official presidency of the Auxiliary of the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club. If you feel you could support the activities by hosting a luncheon or assisting during the Junior Week, please let me know.

We have already set up a luncheon to Ballast on June 28, 2005 with Pat Skinner, arranged for several speakers to complement the luncheons and are on the way to make 2005 a memorable year. In advance, I’d like to thank Diane Ketterer and Jennifer Kahler for all they will do as officers.

As I said at the Eye Closer, Linda did a great job in this year, and she will be remembered as the making the Auxiliary transition much easier. She did it with grace and enthusiasm.

I also would like to acknowledge all that Rose Kahler has done for the Club and other areas in the community. At the Eye Closer, she received the Betty Neff Award which is awarded to an outstanding volunteer who has contributed much time, energy, support and enthusiasm to numerous club functions. She has worked and fed 3000 sailors during I-LYA Junior Race Week, served as President of the Auxiliary and Yearbook Editor. I have personally worked for Rose, and know what a flair she has for food and design. She doesn’t stop.

As a bridge from that, I would ask that if you have time, some energy and are willing to take directions that you could help lighten the load this coming summer. Any amount of time, for any event, morning, noon, or night would be most welcome.

Thanks in advance for your every constant support.

Sally Duffy
Auxiliary President

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**Membership Renewal**

2004 dues statements will be in the mail shortly. If you use a bill paying service, please be sure the correct tax (7%) is included. An option to have your yearbook delivered by postal mail is available at a cost of $5. This is great feature for those who get to the island infrequently, or want their books right away. The default option is to pick up your yearbook at the Club office in the spring. Please make things easy for our new Membership Secretary Mary Ellen Werner, by reading your statement carefully, updating address information, and returning the form with your payment promptly. Annual dues are payable November 1st, with a cut-off date of March 1st for the Yearbook Roster.

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**What a Deal!**

Is your son or daughter turning 21 this year? Children of members may apply for their own membership in the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club with no initiation fee and reduced dues of $25 per year until their 28th birthday. This is an incredible bargain for young adults, who otherwise might not be able to afford membership in a social club, and it benefits the Club by bringing more “youthful idealism” to the membership. Applications should be submitted after the 21st birthday but before the 22nd birthday. Reduced-rate Junior memberships are also available to non-members between the ages of 21 and 28.

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**SWIM/SAIL**

The Put-in-Bay Community Swim/Sail Program is already working to provide another year of swimming and sailing instruction to the children of Put-in-Bay. As always, we need your help. We are a 501.c.3 organization. Your tax deductible donation to support our water safety efforts can be sent to:

Put-in-Bay Community Swim/Sail
P.O. Box 881
Put-in-Bay, Ohio 43456

The 2005 program dates will be set following the I-LYA winter meeting. Swim and sail information and registration forms will be distributed through the school and will be mailed to past participants. Information about our program is also available on line at pibswimsail.org. Updated registration materials will be posted after the first of the year.

A Yearbook without Pictures is a Sad Skinny Thing.

I saw a lot of new digital cameras at the Club this summer! If you have any photos you would be willing to share for publication in the PIBYC yearbook, please email me the original jpegs from your camera or, if you have a lot of pictures (oh boy!), burn them to a CD and mail them to me.

If you have prints, send me duplicates and I will scan them. If you have only a single copy and you need it back, I will see that it is returned to you (mark it clearly).

My email (paselsky@copper.net) will take up to 10 megs at a time.

Otherwise mail CDs or prints to:
Marilyn Paselsky
PIBYC Yearbook Editor
8181 Oxbow Road
Westerville, Ohio 43082

If you have any questions, you can either email them or call me at 740-965-9942.

Thank you!
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Commodore – Richard L. Meyer
Vice Commodore – Robert H. Bahney, III
Rear Commodore – Hon. George C. Smith
Recording Secretary – Kristin Wygant
Membership Secretary – Mary Ellen Werner
Treasurer – Clark Davies
Historian - Muriel B. Eian
At the June Board Meeting, the Trustees defined new office positions to split the Secretary roles and responsibilities into manageable parts. Folders of information and instructions have been written for these (and all of the officer positions) to facilitate personnel transitions from year to year.

**RECORDING SECRETARY**
- Notifies Trustees and members of upcoming meetings and coordinates agenda.
- Issues proxy cards and/or ballots, as necessary.
- Provides sign-in sheets for membership meetings.
- Attends all Trustee meetings and general membership meetings. Reads the roll call.
- Takes meeting minutes and distributes copies of minutes prior to next meeting.
- Writes letters on behalf of the Board of Trustees.
- Maintains history file of Board transactions.

**MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY**
- Prints and mails membership renewal notices to all members.
- Mails membership cards to each member upon payment of dues.
- Maintains the membership roster.
- Coordinates Membership Committee approval of new-member applications.
- Prepares and mails new-member welcome packets.
- Provides membership roster data, fleet list, and patron lists to Yearbook Editor.
- Prints mailing labels for Jib Sheet, Yearbooks, renewals, and other letters.
- Provides e-mail distribution list to Jib Sheet editor.
- Distributes status reports and contact list to the Board of Trustees.

We welcome new Recording Secretary Kristin Wygant and membership Secretary Mary Ellen Werner elected for the 2005 season.

### Chocolate Mousse Pie Recipe

Marilyn Paselsky had a number of people ask for the recipe for the chocolate mousse pie dessert she brought to the Community Swim/Sail fundraiser dinner this summer. She adapted it from *The Food Network’s Alton Brown chocolate mousse recipe.*

Hope yours comes out as tasty as hers did!

**Ingredients:**
- 3 1/2 cups heavy whipping cream
- 24 oz. semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 3/4 cup espresso or strong coffee
- 2 tbs dark rum
- 1 stick butter
- 2 tsp (one packet) flavorless granulated gelatin
- 2 chocolate pie crusts (Keebler Hershey’s chocolate Readycrust)
- 1 large tub of Cool Whip (enough to cover a 13 X 9 cake pan)

**Directions:**
2. In top of double boiler, combine chocolate chips, coffee, rum, and butter. Melt over barely simmering water. Stir continuously.
3. Remove from heat while there are still a few unmelted chunks visible. Cool, stirring occasionally until just above body temperature.
4. Crumble the pie crusts to cover the bottom of the cake pan. Press firmly to pack the crumbs back together.
5. Pour remaining 1/2 cup whipping cream into a metal measuring cup or tiny pan and sprinkle in the gelatin. Allow gelatin to "bloom" for 10 minutes. Then carefully heat by swirling the measuring cup/pan over a low heat. Do not boil or gelatin will be damaged. Stir mixture into the cooled chocolate and set aside.
6. In the chilled mixing bowl beat the cream to medium/stiff peaks. (I had to do this in two batches.) When all the cream has been whipped, stir 1/4 of the whipped cream into the chocolate mixture to lighten it. Fold in the remaining whipped cream in 2 doses. There may be streaks of whipped cream in the chocolate—which is fine. Do not overwork the mousse.
7. Carefully pour into the cake pan, gently even out, and let chill overnight (minimum). After it’s solidified, slather the top with the Cool Whip.

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**Welcome New Members**

Stephen and Laurel Abby, Chagrin Falls, OH  
Keith and Beth Armstrong, Wyandotte, MI  
David and Pat Beckman, Fort Myers Beach, FL  
Bryan and Gisela Bickimer, Canton, MI  
Richard DeBow and Joni Schrader, Medina, OH  
Milan and Victoria Dragojevic, Jr., Cortland, OH  
Ron and Connie Eisenhour, Huron, OH  
Kurt and Marcia Katterhenry, Wapakoneta, OH  
Shawn Mackley and Don Figursky, S. Lyon, MI  
Heather Mahilo and Nick Kish, Rocky River, OH  
Mark and Gail Petroff, Elyria, OH  
Craig and Ginny Ryland, Columbus, OH  
John Spencer, Englewood, FL  
Gary and Linda Styles, Livonia, MI  
Joseph and Karen Zelinko, Oregon, OH

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Save these 2005 Dates

Winter Weekend, January 14-16,
Clean-Up Day, Saturday, May 21
(free dockage and lunch for volunteers)
Eye Opener, Sunday, May 29
Freedom Party, Saturday, July 2
Parrot Head Party, Saturday, July 23
(Gypsies in the Palace theme)
Annual Meeting, Sunday, September 4
Change of Watch, Saturday, October 1

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Want to receive your Jib Sheet sooner?

Our pilot program of distributing the Jib Sheet via email, which started in 2000, has been a resounding success! And, it has saved money due to reduced postage, printing and handling. Approximately 80 people are receiving the Jib Sheet by e-mail. Please consider joining them by providing your e-mail address in the space provided on the dues statement. You may continue to have the Jib Sheet mailed to you while you experiment with the e-mail version. If you are concerned about e-mail privacy, we will honor your request to withhold your e-mail address from the member roster in the Yearbook. It is our policy to use member e-mail addresses for official Club business only (no SPAM).

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T-SHIRTS

The shirt sales were a success. Thanks to all of the volunteers who helped with T-shirt and hot dog sales during the I-LYA Regatta. All of the golf polo shirts were sold. A number of white T-shirts (XL and 2XL sizes only) are left and will be available for sale at a significant discount at the I-LYA Winter and Spring meetings.

2004 YEARBOOKS

A limited number of 2004 yearbooks are left in the Club office. If you never picked up your yearbook, 2004 (and 2005 when available) books can be mailed to you for a shipping & handling fee of $5.

Club Manager Notes

Both Chuck and I want to thank all of our members for a great season and we are looking forward to another great year in 2005. For the next few months my cell phone is not the best number to use. We may be reached at 440-428-4431 or email at Manager@PIBYC.org. After January, the cell should work fine, 419-341-1730. Please call me with any questions or reservations for the coming season. We hope everyone has a great winter.

Noreen Roth
Club Manager