

# THE JIB SHEET

November/December 2003

## Commodore's Briefings

Greetings from your 2004 PIBYC Commodore. Let me start by extending my thanks to everyone who attended the "Point the Bridge in the Right Direction" meeting October 5th at 0830. This dedicated band of volunteers came forward on a Sunday morning to advise and direct the new bridge. We were able to cover a wide range of topics (committee appointments and descriptions - facilities - finance - yearbook - planning - membership drive - club events - boating activities - *Jib Sheet* - scheduling bridge and committee meetings - winter meeting - meeting with CPA and audit). The meeting was very productive and helped the new bridge to get a jump on the 2004 season.

The 2004 season will present our organization with many opportunities to excel. How well we seize these opportunities will depend on our ability to work together. The number one objective of our 2001 planning session was to reach the 500-member cap stated in our bylaws. The PIBYC Board served up our first opportunity by establishing a temporary \$100 initiation fee rebate. Now is the time to contact that friend or relative you have been meaning to invite to join. Use the web page, yearbook, *Jib Sheet*, your personal sales prowess ...to bring in new, quality members. Increased membership will help all our plans develop "many hands make light work".

We have a number of post-season activities coming up. The Fall I-LYA meeting will be the first weekend in December. This year's I-LYA delegate is Kris Miller and our AYC delegate is Ken Kania. Also, keep in mind our winter meeting is January 16 - 18, 2004, at the Port Clinton Fairfield Inn. We will be refreshing our strategic plan and making a serious attempt at having fun. If you have any ideas that might contribute to either of these activities please contact me or any member of the Bridge.

Best wishes for a safe and happy winter season. See you at the Winter Doldrums' Party.

Fred Schnoor  
*Commodore*

I-LYA Winter Meeting  
is the first weekend in December  
Rocksides Holiday Inn in Independence.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Weekend and Doldrums Party

January 16-17-18, 2004

Fairfield Inn, Port Clinton

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2004

**Cocktail Party** - 8:30 p.m. til Midnight

Fairfield Inn (Routes 53 & 2) Port Clinton

Bring your own liquor, beer & wine and a snack to share. Pop, ice, etc. will be provided.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 17, 2004

**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 ???

at the Fairfield Inn. *A great chance to find out what's going on at the Club. Bring your questions or participate in small group discussions related to the club's Strategic Plan.*

**Winter Doldrums' Party** - 6:30 p.m.

Nate's Restaurant, Route 53, Port Clinton

\$40.00 per person • Full Buffet • Cash Bar Available

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Make check payable to: **Put-in-Bay Yacht Club**

Send check to: R/C Bob Bahney III

30647 Wolfe Road

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### RESERVATION DEADLINE IS JANUARY 2, 2004

Reservations for overnight accommodations can be made by calling the Fairfield Inn directly (419/732-2434). Mention Put-in-Bay Yacht Club when making reservation by January 2nd and get a \$35 (plus tax) rate for single or double.

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

## Ad Vice

I am pleased and honored to be your new Vice and I am looking forward to great cruise-outs next year. I hope that we can increase our participation in the fun-filled and interesting cruise-outs. The first cruise-out next year will be at the Vermilion Yacht Club on June 18, 2004. The Vermilion Harbor is nautical, picturesque, clean and beautiful. Choices of food and things to see are endless. So let's plan to have a large fleet to begin our season.

I hope to see many of you at the Winter Meeting. The Club has just closed and I already miss all of our members. Please have a wonderful holiday and winter season.

Richard L. Meyer  
*Vice Commodore*



## Membership Drive

*\$100 Discount Nov. 1 thru Apr. 1*

If you know someone who has thought about joining the Put-in-Bay Yacht Club, tell them now is the time to do it! The PIBYC Board approved a temporary reduction in the initiation fee from \$250 to \$150 as a membership incentive. A new membership application form showing this discount (and the change in sales tax rates) is now available. You can print it from the Club's Web site [www.pibyc.org](http://www.pibyc.org) and copies will be mailed with the 2004 membership cards. An accompanying cover letter explaining the membership drive is also available online. We have averaged about 25 new members per year, which just covers normal attrition. Our goal for 2004 is one hundred new members. Please do two things: discard old copies of the membership application, and give copies of the new application form to everyone you meet!



## PIB Community Swim/Sail Raffle

The children of the Swim/Sail Program are kicking off their 2004 season with a great fundraiser: four season passes to Cedar Point, Six Flags in Aurora, Kings Island or park of choice in state of Ohio. All tickets are \$1.00. The raffle will be held Thanksgiving weekend and you need not be present to win.

Contact Beth Burns (440-984-2690) or Nikki Drake (419-285-3804) for tickets and information. Put-in-Bay Community Swim/Sail is a tax deductible organization.

Thank you for your on-going support.

Joan Kempf  
*2003 President*

## Rear View

Greetings from your new Rear Commodore. "They" tell me that planning and communication are key to a successful organization, so I guess it's time to get busy planning and communicating!

Under the leadership of our new Commodore, a very productive planning meeting was held in October. Among the many things accomplished, a draft of our 2004 calendar of events was produced. You can view the preliminary 2004 calendar... drum roll please... on the Club's Web site [www.pibyc.org](http://www.pibyc.org) (bet you didn't see that coming!). Both a simple listing of events and a printable monthly calendar are available to be downloaded and printed. I promise to be diligent in updating the calendar frequently as new information about upcoming events becomes available. Over the next couple of years, I'm hoping to take the Club Web site to the next level as tool for organizing our activities, communicating with members, and promoting our facility.

The first activity on the calendar will be the Annual Winter Weekend (see front page). We will begin on Friday with a cocktail party at the Fairfield Inn. There's a continental breakfast on Saturday and lunch will be provided prior to the Town Hall Meeting. For dinner, we will be returning to Nate's Restaurant where all had a good time last year. Sunday brunch at Sandusky Yacht Club will also be available. The Winter Weekend is a fun party, and a good opportunity to get involved and help shape the future of PIBYC. If you are interested in helping with the social activities next season, please plan to be there.

Finally, as the "outgoing" Secretary, I would like to take this opportunity to thank Linda Dettmer and Marilyn Paselsky, who supported me tremendously throughout my term. I plan to help new Secretary Julie as others have helped me. Have a happy holiday season, and see you in January.

Bob Bahney III  
*The "Hindmost" (Rear Commodore)*

## Membership Renewals

2004 Dues statements will be in the mail shortly. Due to the Ohio sales tax increase, the total cost has changed (now \$214 for Regular members including 7% tax). So if you use a bill-paying service, please be sure to plan the correct amount. An option to have your yearbook delivered by postal mail at a cost of \$5 has been added to the renewal form this year. 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 Secretary, Julie Rowe, 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.

## Ladies Auxiliary

Welcome to the "new" Auxiliary - a much different Auxiliary from the last 50 years. PIBYC's newly developed "Unification Program", not only combined our checkbooks, but all fundraisers are now being handled by the Club! The Ladies Auxiliary officers (President, Vice President and Secretary) will only be responsible for our social luncheons. The President will attend the PIBYC Board meetings to report to the ladies who attend the luncheons what is happening in the Club and possibly to encourage them to sign-up to help with our projects. Changes were necessary as it has become very difficult to find women to fill Auxiliary offices. And since we really no longer have control over the monies we earn, it seemed like the perfect time to turn-over all of the money-makers, too!

This year I will work to simplify the responsibilities and make this position much more appealing in the future! The officers are currently working on a luncheon schedule for next summer and already have most of the slots filled. If anyone (or any group of women) would like to host a simple luncheon next year, please contact me soon. I am looking forward to working with the other auxiliary officers: Sally Duffy (VP) and Diane Ketterer (Secretary).

Earlier this year the Auxiliary created a new award and named it after our first president, Betty Neff. Betty was an active volunteer of the Club in the past. With help, she started the sailing program, encouraged new members to join the Club, worked in the galley and decorated the front room.

We, the Auxiliary, sought someone who had contributed over the years. It was easy to find such a person. The person we selected was a past president, hostess of many luncheons, club photographer, historian, the Ship Store manager and a gracious and kind lady. Muriel Eian was our overwhelming choice!

Linda Frederick  
*Auxiliary President*

## CONGRATULATIONS

to Muriel Eian, the first recipient of the Betty Neff Award and to Clark Davies, recipient of the Jim Crain Award. Both awards were announced at the Change of Watch.



## Club Manager Notes

Chuck and I thank everyone for their help and cooperation all year. I may be reached at 216-832-8228 or email at pibyc.org or cmroth2384@aol.com for 2004 reservations or any questions, ideas or concerns.

Noreen Roth  
*Club Manager*

## 2004 YEARBOOK

Although the 2004 Eye Opener (which marks the beginning of the season) of Put-in-Bay Yacht Club is a little more than 200 days away, work has begun on the 2004 yearbook.

Marilyn (Bahney) Paselsky will be the new editor. She is very familiar with the responsibilities of this job as she was editor from 1994 to 1999. Marilyn lives with husband, Ben, in Westerville. They have two sons, Nick and Mikey who love to visit the Bay and their grandparents, Judie and Bob Bahney.

No editor can do this job alone and so we are asking for help from all members and friends. Included in this *Jib Sheet* is a letter asking for your support. You can support this club effort by completing the advertising contract that is on the back of the letter or sharing pictures of club events from last year. The letter goes into more detail about the type of cooperation we are seeking. Please let us hear from you.

## NEWLY DESIGNED YEARBOOK EVENT PAGE

Marilyn Paselsky has designed this new ad layout for members wishing to sponsor a full page of pictures highlighting a club event. She has created this mock-up to give you an idea of how you can highlight your business, cottage, boat or use the space as a thank you to someone.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

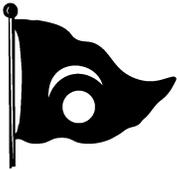
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## PROXY CARDS MAILED (AGAIN)

A proxy (postcard) for the January 17th Winter Meeting will be mailed to you with your Dues Statement. The proxy cards are pre-stamped and EVERYONE is asked to vote, sign, and mail them immediately. If you are one of the 89 people who also mailed in your Proxy for the September Annual Meeting, thank you for your continued dedication to the Club - you can skip the rest of this article. For the rest of you... Shame, Shame! For the second year, a proposed update to the Club's Charter failed, not because it was voted down, but due to a lack of response from the general membership. A majority of all active members is required to pass an amendment to the Charter.

The issue to be decided was (and is) the addition of the Ladies Auxiliary President as a voting member of the PIBYC Board of Trustees. Voter apathy at the Annual Meeting was disappointing because the proxies were running 43 to 1 in favor of the amendment and it likely would have passed if enough people had participated. This amendment is an opportunity to foster cooperation, communication, and volunteerism towards a theme of "unification" for PIBYC. Please do not delay returning your proxy, as the Winter Meeting is just a few weeks away.

## PIBYC 2004 OFFICERS

**Commodore** - Frederick L. Schnoor  
**Vice Commodore** - Richard L. Meyer  
**Rear Commodore** - Robert H. Bahney, III  
**Fleet Chaplain** - Hon. George C. Smith  
**Fleet Surgeon** - Gabriela Kaplan, M.D.  
**Legal Advisor** - John M. Kahler, II  
**Secretary** - Julie Rowe  
**Treasurer** - Valinda Vincent  
**Historian** - Muriel B. Eian

## PIBYC BOARD OF TRUSTEES

**PC Robert H. Bahney, Jr.**  
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