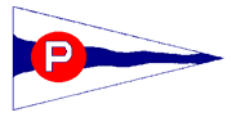


# Palatka Yacht Club



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*Whispers over the Waters*

*November 2011*

## 2011 OFFICERS & DIRECTORS

Commodore:  
Harry Gillean  
Vice Commodore:  
Larry McAfee  
Secretary:  
Karen Blankenship  
Treasurer:  
Steven Huntley  
First-Year Director:  
Gene O'Connor  
Second Year Director:  
Ernie Ricard  
(appointed by the  
Commodore to com-  
plete Connie's term)  
Past Commodore:  
Gail Hart

## 2011 COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Barkeeper: Guion Lindsay  
Boating Rendezvous:  
David Girardin  
Dinner planning:  
Karen Blankenship  
& Dorothy McAfee  
Door Committees:  
Facilities:  
Fund Raising:  
Improvements &  
Maintenance: Robert Trail  
Internal Communications:  
Membership:  
Planning Committee:  
Programs: Robert Trail  
Publicity: Jean Morris  
Public Relations: Gail Hart  
Sunshine:  
Jeannine O'Connor  
Webmaster: Keith Mehl

## Note to Fellow Club Members

This edition of the newsletter was prepared and edited by Commodore Harry Gillean. Anyone wishing to volunteer as the newsletter editor and compiler should contact Harry at 386-937-0035 (cell phone).

## Past Events

### October:

6th - there was not a quorum for the board meeting

15th - 30 gathered for a fabulous low country boil

### November:

Board Meeting Results:

1. For Christmas Parade on November 25, 2011, float needs to be moved from Ernie's trailer to Harry's trailer on November 19, 2011.
2. Decorate for Christmas on December 10, 2011 at 9am.
3. Christmas Party - December 17th, 2011 -  
Band scheduled (\$300) - heavy appetizers - 7pm til ???
4. Next two board meetings will be at the bookstore.
5. Gene O'Connor is new board member to replace Doug Mann.

## Coming Events

### **November 19 (Saturday) Gather early afternoon.**

At 4:00 the annual meeting to elect year 2012 officers will commence.

A Spaghetti dinner will follow; the cost is \$10.00 per person

### **December 1 (Thursday) - Board of Directors meeting**

Five o'clock at Andrea's Bookstore. Board meetings are open to all PYC members.

### **Remaining 2011 Activities**

Details of each of the following activities will be included in the newsletter preceding each event. Unless noted otherwise, all monthly dinners will be at the clubhouse on the third Saturday of each month, and Board of Directors meetings will be at Andrea's Bookstore on the first Thursday of each month. Other activities may be subject to later change or cancellation, or new ones may be added.

#### **Date Event**

November 4-6	Raft-up at Green Cove Springs public marina & take smaller boats up Black Creek; Leader: Gene O'Connor
November 19	9 am - Work party to decorate float for Christmas parade
November 19	4pm - Spaghetti dinner and elect 2012 Board of Directors; Door committee: David & Linda Girardin
November 25	Palatka Christmas Parade
December 1	Board of Directors meeting
December 3	Lighted Boat Parade
December 10	Work party (decorate the clubhouse for Christmas)
December 17	Christmas party

## Miscellany

**From “Salty Dog Talk: The Nautical Origins of Everyday Expressions”—Above board:** Literally the wooden board of the planking which make up the deck. Any activity which went on “above boards” would be in the open for everyone to see. Thus it has come to mean honest and fair dealing.

**Clubhouse Maintenance**—Any member noting areas of the clubhouse that need attention, please notify maintenance chairman Bob Trail at [griffinaero@yahoo.com](mailto:griffinaero@yahoo.com) or 386-649-8710. These items will then be included in work-party agendas.

**Photographs**—Anyone interested in viewing additional photographs of any event, check the club's website, [palatkayachtclub.org](http://palatkayachtclub.org), to see if there are other pictures for which there was not room to display in the newsletter.

**Club-owned Sunfish**—At present, the Club’s Sunfish sailboat is locked on the clubhouse floating dock on a secure cradle, from which it can be easily launched for any member to sail. The key for the lock is on the bulletin board. The boat’s accessories are stored onboard the clubhouse.

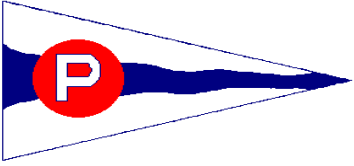
**Boat Trailer**—The club's Sunfish trailer is at Bob Trail’s property in San Mateo for safekeeping. It is available for any member to use to carry small boats of up to 14ft and 500 pounds or so. Call Bob at 386-649-8710.

**After-Dinner Programs**—Our program Chairman Bob Trail sometimes has a hard time finding presenters with topics for these programs. We club members could probably contribute some topics ourselves. We have all taken some interesting trips and done some interesting things in our lives, or know someone who has. Many of these experiences would make entertaining programs. They don’t even have to be recent. Any member who would like to present or suggest something along this line, contact Bob at 649-8710 or [griffinaero@gmail.com](mailto:griffinaero@gmail.com). And remember, dinner is free. Also, up to two presenters from outside the club will enjoy their meals as guests of the Palatka Yacht Club. Audiovisual resources are available, and all necessary assistance will be provided.

**PYC Library**—Anyone who has surplus books, VHS tapes, DVDs, pictures, or whatever, that relate to boating, boats or past club memorabilia, could donate them to the club, where they will be kept in the clubhouse for anyone to look at or sign out and take home. Bob Trail has provided a bookcase, with a video library of VHS tapes as well as a VHS player to sign out. Hopefully now we can get more tapes and several more players so these can be signed out on a monthly basis. The players are easily connected to modern equipment. Contact Bob for more details.

**Boat U.S. Membership**—Our club members are entitled to Boat US membership while paying half-price dues, \$15.00, instead of the regular new membership price of \$30.00. Contact Steve Huntley at 904-692-2952 or [protopterus@basicisp.net](mailto:protopterus@basicisp.net) if you are not already included in this special arrangement for PYC members.

**PYC Tent**—Any members desiring to reserve the PYC tent should contact Commodore Harry Gillean at 386-325-0802 (H), 386-325-1322 (C) or [harrygillean1@bellsouth.net](mailto:harrygillean1@bellsouth.net). The tent is stored onboard the clubhouse when not in use.



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