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Newsletter by & for the Pultneyville Mariners, Inc. Sail, Beach & Paddle Club

Greetings from Portugal! Although we miss PMI, we are enjoying this amazing and beautiful sea-going land.

Mainsheet editor, Carol May



“Looking out over the Atlantic towards home.”

From the Board

It's autumn at the shore and we hope you will visit the Club often to enjoy it. Colors in the water and sky are especially beautiful. We thank everyone who helped us usher in the season with OKTOBERFEST on September 17. The autumn still sees us busy at PMI with our Fall Clean Up scheduled for October 22 when we clear, clean, and “batten down the hatches” on the property for the coming winter. Next, we gather to celebrate memories and good times of our season at our annual Fall Banquet scheduled for November 5.

This is also the time of year when we urge you to do two things: 1) *Come and get it!*: retrieve any of your personal items from the Club and food from refrigerators. 2) *Attend to your boat storage and related equipment*. For boats docked in the channel, there continue to be challenges in removing them due to low water. Members have been urged to act quickly. See more about boat storage in the Dockmaster's article to follow.

SAVE THE DATES

Saturday, October 22 – PMI Fall Clean UP 8.30 a.m.– Noon

Saturday, November 5 – PMI Fall Banquet. More information to follow soon.



From the Dockmaster

DRY SAIL WINTER STORAGE

I ask everyone who will be parked in the dry sail area for the winter to prepare ahead of time and look at the area where you unusually store your boat for the winter. When parking your boat and trailer try to put wood planks under trailer wheels as the trailers sometimes sink into the soft ground during the winter months and become stuck.

CATAMARANS

Last winter proved to be challenging with periods of very strong winds that caused many catamarans to be pushed around and sometimes taken off of their trailers. Therefore, I have the following recommendations (advice from fellow cat owners) for how to store your catamaran for our winter weather. This obviously does not apply to you if you have taken your boat off the premises for the winter, but it is still good to know.

BOAT STORAGE PROTOCOLS FOR CATAMARANS

1. Remove all sails and store.
2. Take the mast down. *Believe it or not, but I have been informed that leaving the mast up can actually catch the wind which then can act like a sail. This can cause the boat to become quite unstable and allow it to shift in the wind.*
3. Remove the trampoline so that this will not act like a sail.
4. Anchor / secure your boat to your trailer and then anchor your trailer into the ground with stakes to prevent the trailer from shifting. Anchoring to the ground only applies to those on the south side of Cat Island. If you are on the side closest to the water, do not anchor your trailer as there are electrical lines 2 ft. underground.
5. Please store your boats as close to each other as possible, leaving enough room to walk around each boat. Be aware of the area on the cat island that collects water and forms a temporary pond or "swamp". There are numerous cement blocks behind the bathroom that can be used to help store your boat for the winter. I don't think anyone wants their boat to possibly freeze in case there is a pond during the winter.
6. Peter Stubler recommends leaving your catamaran pontoon port hole open during the winter to allow for drainage. Make sure the bow is elevated to allow for drainage.

SHED STORAGE

For those of you with shed storage: When storing your gear in your shed space for the winter, please keep your gear contained within your assigned space. If you find that you need more space, please contact me so I can find additional space for you.

Please contact me directly with any boat storage questions or concerns via email (dockmaster@sailpmc.org or linda.rohlfing19@gmail.com) or call/text 585-766-9073 to leave me a message.



Mark Hager and Ian Zavatsky removing The Mystery Machine from channel dockage using an extender due to low water and silt.



It's Fall Clean Up Time!



Mark your calendars for SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22, 8.30 a.m. – Noon.

Coffee, donuts, chili and cornbread will be provided.
Gather for a wrap up meeting 11.30 a.m.- Noon.

Please arrive early and sign in to confirm your attendance and fulfillment of your annual volunteer obligation.

Here's a look ahead at tasks. If you find one or more you would like to help with, just find a task team leader to let them know.
Please bring equipment if you can.

Check in with Task Team Leaders, who will be on hand in the pavilion.

FACILITIES

- Food building clean-up (rubber gloves, cleaner, rags, sponges)
- Bathroom building clean-up (rubber gloves, cleaner, rags, sponges, brooms)
- Brush off building exterior (tall brooms)
- Cleanup along storage shed doors (shovels, rakes)

WEEDS, PRUNING

- Shed 9 (canoes/kayaks shed) clean up (weed whackers; rakes, gloves)
- Remove new growth branches of willow trees (loppers, rakes, wheelbarrows)
- Weed boat ramp (boots needed for watery areas, weed whackers/loppers, rakes, gloves)



GENERAL PROPERTY

- Brush removal or cutting logs at west firepit (rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, chain saw, gloves)
- Install silt guard on beach as needed (hammer, staple gun, gloves)
- Pick up trash, fallen branches on property (rakes, trash bags, wheelbarrows)

EQUIPMENT

- Stack exterior picnic tables (gloves)
- Clean and store grills (buckets, gloves, rags)
- Storage of beach boards (3) and stand
- Storage and maintenance of playground equipment (gloves, sandpaper)

MISCELLANEOUS Additional TBA

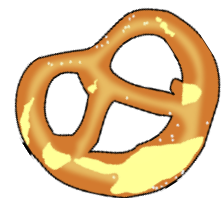
Event contact is Peter Stubler at peter.stubler@gmail.com

Oktoberfest Thank You!

Dear Darlene Grey, Samantha and Tim Fratangelo, Caroline Cooney, Deborah and Carmen Del Plato, Ben Minier, George and Marie Ehresman, Darlene and Lou Martino, and Linda Rohlfing:

Thank you for your leadership, expert planning, and hard work on this event. We raise our cider mugs and beer steins to you for all you did to help us achieve wonderful new memories as well as have a rollicking good time complete with music, good food, and friendship.

Gratefully, Club Members





To Vinnie Watson for chairing the 2022 Social Committee, and to all who hosted this year's PMI social events:

Gia and Joseph Pauldine – Spaghetti Launch
Casalmir Family – Father's Day Breakfast
Liz and Bruce Hoogesteger - Fourth of July Potluck
Linda and Victor Rohlfing - Chicken French Dinner
Anne Fiorino – Stake & Corn Roast
Caroline Cooney, Michelle Fontaine, Scott Cirman – Burgers & Hots & Game Night
Rich and Karen Seyfried – Ice Cream Social
Shaver Family - Sandcastle Competition
Carol and Jim May, Rich and Denise Bilsback – Movie Night
Eric and Melissa Damiani – Wednesday Wings

A double thank you to hosts, Linda and Victor, and Eric and Melissa who donated all proceeds to the Club. Thank you also to all members who made donations.



From the Treasurer:

As we approach our fiscal year end, if you have receipts to submit to the Club, please submit asap to Alan Gould. **Mail to** Treasurer, PMI, PO Box 181, Pultneyville, NY 14538. Email contact: racersegdeny@gmail.com

Be year-round stewards of PMI. Treasure and care for our beautiful property.



- *Maintain lawn and beach. Fill in holes. Protect grass restoration areas by not trampling or digging.
- *Keep facilities sparkling clean. Bring trash to the dumpster.
- *Please inquire of the Board before donating items to the Club to assure they can be used.
- *If you are the last to leave, close and lock *all* doors of bathrooms, food prep building, sheds, and entrance gate.
- *Leash dogs and pick up after them. Guests may not bring dogs.
- *Winter access in snowfall is by foot. No plowing is allowed to prevent driveway damage.

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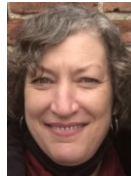
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Mainsheet Editor:*

Any items for publication should be sent to Carol May as you think of it. She will store and use in the next Mainsheet. Don't worry about deadlines, just send to cj4js17@yahoo.com as you think of the wonderful ideas that you want to share with the membership. It is our hope that COMMUNICATION will help to grow the sense of community that PMI has always fostered.

Editor pro tem (while Carol is away),
Deb Arndt



Earlier times along the shore. Circa 1930.