



On the Wind

Burnham Park Yacht Club Monthly Newsletter • February 2008

Commodore's Log

Thanks to all of you who participated in the annual BPYC House Cleanup. This was actually fun! The event was so successful that Docks and Grounds will be having a similar event to repair our storage shed and clean up the back yard near the shed. The intent is to have the Club sparkling for our seasonal opening. Look for an announcement in On the Wind for the Docks and Grounds Clean Up day and come help us clean up the shed and yard. Once again this is a good way for you to get to know your fellow members.

Bathroom Renovation

At this point, PC Don Waller has advised that he does not have the contractor bids for the total bathroom renovation. It has become apparent that the timing, money and time needed for this complete renovation will preclude us from making the renovation in January as originally planned. This is very disappointing to all of us. As a result, we are now working on what I call Plan B for the bathroom renovation. I have asked PC's Marty Finerty and Tom McInerney to quickly work on a lower cost, simplified renovation plan that could enable us to renovate the bathrooms in stages. We are very hopeful that Plan B could result in fast action, lower cost and achieve much of the same results. When these plans are complete, we will put them out for quotation and hold a membership meeting to review and discuss.

New Winter Galley Menu

The Galley has a new winter menu with new appetizers, salads and entrees as well as most of our traditional favorites. Pricing is reasonable and entrées will include dessert. Make a reservation and make it a point to come to the Club in February and enjoy the new menu.

See you at the Club!

Dave DeAre, Commodore



Superbowl Party

Sunday, February 3



Sydney Hobart Race Presentation

Saturday, February 16

8:00 P.M.



Carnivale Party

Saturday, February 23

From the Women's Auxiliary

Our January Planning meeting was very well attended; many fabulous ideas were discussed. Unfortunately, it appears we have more ideas than there are calendar spots, but that's not going to interfere with our enthusiasm!

We plan on bringing back our Tea Party in April and kicking off the season with our most popular Jimmy Buffet Party. In our tradition of working toward Club goals, in this instance supporting the upcoming season's membership drive, we thought we would hold some dinghy activities. This would arouse some curiosity among our harbor mates, not only showing them

how much fun it is to belong to the club, but to actually have big-time fun ourselves!

A Western Night, Pink Flamingo Party, An Evening with Alex the Chef, and Toga Party, were discussed as upcoming parties and events. A once-monthly Friday Bingo Night is being considered as well. Keep your eye on the calendar in *On The Wind* and the posted flyers at the club and dock gates as we enter the 2008 season. Don't forget to go to our website, www.bpyc.com and sign up for email notices, so you don't find yourself missing out on some of these great events!

The Women's Auxiliary 2008 Beautification Project will start with re-doing the patio floor, landscaping improvements, and having the patio canopy cleaned. With any extra funds, we would like to put an awning on the front of the building and "dress up" the foyer. We feel that these areas will make for a lasting "first impression" to prospective members.

So please keep us in mind as you plan your social calendar. The money that the Women's Auxiliary makes from our events goes directly back to the club by way of beautification.

We do appreciate your support.

Michele Karas, President,
BPYC Women's Auxiliary

2008 BPYC Women's Auxiliary Membership Application

Name	Club Number	
Address	Email Address	
City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell/Work Phone	
Birthday: Month/Day	Boat Name	

My check for \$25 is enclosed, payable to BPYC Women's Auxiliary.
Mail To: **Michele Karas, 203 Winding Trails Drive, Willow Springs, IL 60480 Do Not Mail To The Club.**

2008 Ladies' Locker Rental Application

Name	Club Number	
Address	Email Address	
City	State	Zip
Home Phone	Cell/Work Phone	

Please reserve or renew (locker number: ___) a locker in the ladies' locker room for the 2008 season.
My check for \$20 is enclosed, payable to BPYC Women's Auxiliary.
Mail To: **Michele Karas, 203 Winding Trails Drive, Willow Springs, IL 60480 Do Not Mail To The Club.**

Program Committee

A big thanks to all the members who attended our Whirly Ball/Buca di Beppo Party in January. It was great food, fun, fellowship, and competition!

February brings the re-opening of the Club, and the Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 3rd, immediately following Strictly Sail. The party starts at 3:00 P.M., so watch the big game on the Club's big screens.

Dick O'Connell has arranged for a sailboat racing presentation on February 16th. The Club will take on a festive look on Saturday, February 23rd with Carnivale. Moving on to March, St. Paddy will be in town early, on the 15th, so put on your green and celebrate at the Club.

We are planning a number of events that we hope will appeal to our members, including a Comedy night, Magic night, Casino night. The Women's Auxiliary is similarly planning some great fundraisers. We will also have Tom Staadt, the Boat Coach provide a seminar or two. Later, this year, we will offer a CPR course, as well, so watch for the flyers in the On the Wind, and check your email frequently for more information on this year's events.

Judi McInerney, Program Chair

Valentine Dinner

Why not treat your Valentine to dinner at the club during the month of February! We have made a few changes to the menu including a featured monthly special. We will be welcoming suggestions from our members to enhance our menu selections. (Suggestion cards will be available) Our goal is to see you and your guests enjoying your club with the "million dollar view"!

BPYC Bar & Galley Committee

Delinquent Listing

As previously stated, The Burnham Park Yacht Club will publish a current "Delinquent Listing". Located on the Club's bulletin board, it will include members with arrears of sixty days and longer and their amounts. The members listed will have their charge privileges discontinued until all amounts are brought up to date. This listing will be updated and continued monthly, unless arrangements have been made to clear up these outstanding amounts.

Again please contact Mike Gallagher or Richard Lauric with any questions regarding your account.

Richard Lauric, Treasurer

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Cicero, Illinois 60804
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February Birthdays

- 1 **Laurie McCluskey**
- 2 **Nicole Clausius
Steve Dresner**
- 4 **Geri Lauric**
- 5 **Dan Maloney
Janet O'Connell**
- 6 **David Fisher
Terry Long
Richard O'Connell**
- 8 **Robert MacArthur**
- 9 **Larry Brouzis**
- 10 **David Cella**
- 11 **Dave Riordan**
- 12 **P.C. Jerry Metzger**
- 15 **John Wynn**
- 16 **Carole Summerfield**
- 17 **Angelica Calleros**
- 18 **Stephanie Pesoli**
- 19 **Harriet Gold
Charlie Martin
Buddy Heller**
- 21 **Steve Rowe
Mike Wencel
Eric Schoonover**
- 23 **LeAnne Van Emburg
P.C. Sonny Lisowski**
- 24 **Bob Cler
Kevin Condon**
- 25 **Fred Duda
Dr. Jerome Gold**
- 26 **Mark Clausius
Mary Connolly**
- 27 **James McDonnell**

Super Bowls and Valentines...

The Club returns to its normal Off-Season schedule on Friday, February 1, 2008 and I encourage everyone to make reservations to come out try our new menu items and specials. You can also see all the hard work the House Committee and the volunteer members completed at the House Committee's Annual Fix Up Day.

One event that you won't want miss this year is our Super Bowl Party on Sunday, February 3rd. Cheer on your favorite team watching Super Bowl XLII on our big screen TV's and enjoy the all you can eat hot dog and chili bar. This is a great time to get together and enjoy the game with your friends and fellow members.

Tired of dealing with the crowds at the restaurants on Valentine's Day? This year, bring your Valentine to the BPYC on the weekend after Valentine's Day (Friday, Saturday or Sunday) to enjoy a nice relaxing evening. Enjoy our new menu items and dinner specials. Be sure to call ahead to make reservations and plan on a nice relaxing dinner without dealing with all the crowds.

Be sure to check out our new club calendar on our website, www.bpyc.com. The new calendar will contain all the important dates for the upcoming season including sailing races and regattas, club sponsored events, events non-club sponsored and the important meeting dates.

We plan to include the events scheduled around Burnham Harbor that affect us such as events at Soldier Field and Charter One Pavilion. If you have something you think we should add to the calendar, please send an e-mail to: webmaster@bpyc.com.

Kurt Lentsch, Director/Publicity

From the Manager's Desk

Members in good standing should have received their 2008 membership cards. Crew Members should re-apply to receive the new cards. Dues are payable upon application. We must have the sponsoring members sign the application. Please call me at the club for details.

Reservations are always much appreciated. It is very difficult to prepare for any given evening during the off-season without any idea of how many members will be coming in. We offer a free glass of wine if a reservation is called in

24 hours in advance. We realize that it is not always possible, but it is much appreciated.

Mike Gallagher, BPYC Manager

Condolences

To Past Commodore Joann Murphy and Tom Robinson on the death of Tom's father, Jesse Robinson. Joann called him "Grandpa;" they will miss him very much.



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TWO THOUSAND EIGHT

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 <i>Strictly Sail Show at Navy Pier</i> Business Meeting 7:00 P.M. Women's Aux. Meeting 8:00 P.M.	2 <i>Strictly Sail Show at Navy Pier</i>
3 <i>Strictly Sail Show at Navy Pier</i> Super Bowl Party 3:00 P.M.	4 Club Closed	5 Club Closed	6 Club Closed	7 Club Closed	8 BPYC Membership Committee Meeting	9
10	11 Club Closed	12 Club Closed	13 Club Closed	14 Club Closed <i>Valentine's Day</i>	15	16 Sydney Hobart Race Presentation 8:00 P.M.
17	18 Club Closed	19 Club Closed	20 Club Closed	21 Club Closed	22	23 Carnivale Party
24	25 Club Closed	26 Club Closed	27 Club Closed	28 Club Closed	29	

plan ahead

Jan. 31–Feb. 3 **Strictly Sail Show at Navy Pier**
Feb. 3 Sunday **Super Bowl Party**
February 8 Friday **BPYC Membership Committee Meeting**
March 15 Saturday **St. Patrick's Day Party**

Winter Hours of Operation

Burnham Park Yacht Club Bar & Galley

Friday: Galley 5-9 P.M., bar open until 10 P.M.
Saturday: Galley 5-9 P.M., bar open until 10 P.M.
Sunday: Galley 4-8 P.M., bar open until 9 P.M.

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2008 Flag Officers

Commodore **David DeAre**
Vice Commodore **Marcella Cimino**
Rear Commodore **Elaine Kurland**
Secretary **Breck Grigas**
Treasurer **Richard Lauric**

2008 Board of Directors

Two Year Directors

Sail Fleet **Richard O'Connell**
Membership **Hank Kalmus**

One Year Directors

Docks & Grounds **David Cella**
Power Fleet **Walter Heller, Jr.**
House **Ray Kalinski**
Publicity **Kurt Lentsch**
Membership Program **Charles P. Martin**
Bar and Gallery **Judi McInerney**
Kathy Puffer

Women's Auxiliary
President

Michele Karas

Past Commodores

Donald Waller
Joann Murphy



Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 3

Doors Open at 3:00 P.M.

\$7.50 per person
all you can eat

Chicago Style
Hot Dogs
Polish Sausage

Chili Bar
Big Screen
TV's

Amusements
and
Diversions



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