

SET & SAIL

Enthusiasm is Watchword

Club boaters and tennis players sign up for another great season.



Record numbers came out for Penticton Yacht & Tennis Club sign up night this year on March 13. Along with members renewing their memberships for the year, 35 new members joined the club or rejoined the club after a hiatus. (See list at right).

Enthusiasm was the watchword for the evening. Registration officially began at

6pm, but there was a line of members wanting to register by 5pm. Manager Sharon Chapman reported that the last member didn't leave until after 9:30pm. The PYTC Bucks were flying with the Mykonos pizza and beverages fueling signing hands.

If sign up night is any indication, PYTC is in for another stellar year.

A Warm Welcome to the New Members

Phil Bedard & Deb Formo
 Zhenya Chuyeva
 Cynthia & David Enns
 Cata Fecior
 Lori Grant
 Janet Groome & Ulf Hasselbach
 George Hanko
 Kathy Hatchard
 Philip Hoesli
 Brian Hughes & Morgan McKenzie
 Julianna Kaiser
 Ryan LaPointe
 Beat & Prudence Mahrer
 Matthew Mahoney
 Jeff Marshall & Marlies Taylor
 Jon, Lisa, Courtney & Nathan Milligan
 Ken, Andrea, Jaime & Shelby Naylor
 Gerhard Reidman
 Doug Simpson
 Harold & Kathy Smitherman
 Cathy Terris
 Terry Wietzen

A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

Margaret and I enjoyed catching up with everyone at sign up night and meeting a bunch of new people. The high energy at sign up bodes well for the rest of the year.

This year we will be hosting a Gear Swap on Crane Day, Saturday April 19. The Swap will run from 10am to 1pm in the PYTC parking lot near "Y" dock. Anyone with boat parts should bring them down and be prepared to negotiate.

Crane Day will also feature a Power Squadron safety display and Sharon will be cooking a great lunch and dinner at the club.

The clubhouse is looking great with its new facelift (paint and light fixtures). Make sure you drop down and take a look in the next little while.

The club restaurant will start serving food again around the beginning of April. Stay tuned.

Doug Russell

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Vice-Commodore's Report

There was a good turn out on the 16th of March for the general clean up at the Club. The parking lot area was attended to as well as the interior of the clubhouse in preparation for painting. Should you not be able to attend work parties, select some part of the club where you could lend a hand at your convenience.... e.g. the tennis room; the chart room; the tennis courts; assisting Shawn with the storage compound; painting small areas; or the grounds generally.

Many thanks to John Dimopoulos and his Mykonos restaurant for supplying the pizzas for sign up night. They were delicious and wonderful and he gave a very generous discount to the club to advance our interests.

Vince Rabbitte

Fleet Report

Regular weekend racing starts Sunday April 20 with a 1pm gun. The racing schedule for the year is posted at pytc.ca. If you are interested and able to crew on a race boat, come down to "Y" dock an hour before the scheduled start. We are always looking for new "rail meat"!

Steve Portman

Tennis Report

Thank you Sharon, Bob, Jill and Kate for all the help at sign up night! Wow we were busy.

We had lots of people sign up for our Spring Tennis leagues but there is still room for more players on most leagues. The sign up sheets are posted in the tennis room and the cut-off date for sign

up is March 30th. These leagues are great fun so if you haven't signed up, hurry down to the club or call me ASAP. There are plenty of leagues to choose from: mens doubles, women's doubles, mixed doubles, adult singles and junior doubles. League times are posted at our website - www.pytc.ca.

Tennis Organization Day is Sunday March 30th at 10am. We will be putting up the windscreens and score cards, and cleaning the courts and the tennis room. Remember, "many hands make light work!" Mark this date on your calendar and help out if you can. It may only take 30 minutes if we have enough help. We'll play some tennis afterward - protected from the wind and able to keep score!

The next tennis committee meeting is Monday March 31st at 5pm. At this time, we will be organizing league play. Our tennis committee consists of Robert Bettauer, Bob and Sharon Brownell, Will Patterson, and myself. We are feeling a little lean and would ideally like two more members on our committee. If you love the leagues, enjoy decision-making, and have some organizational skills with a bit of enthusiasm then call me. We meet approximately once per month for about an hour and "get the job done."

Attention everyone.... there's a new ball machine lock. It's located in the same place as the key to the tennis courts in the tennis room. It's on a handmade tennis ball key holder to match our wacky swatter.

Please continue to tell your friends and work colleagues about

PYTC. There is a promotional flyer on the home page of the www.pytc.ca website. Just click on "our promotional flyer" to download and post it at your work, your favorite coffee shops, your condo or apartment building, or anywhere that potential new members can see it. We have lots of room to share our club with more members. Thanks for all your promotional efforts.

See you at the club !

*Aileen Houston 493-7782
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SPRING FLING Tickets on Sale

The SPRING FLING Dance and Appetizer Party is geared up to go on Saturday April 12 in our newly renovated club. In order to ensure that the party goes ahead, we need to sell 20 more tickets by April 1. Non-members are encouraged to attend too. If you want to attend the SPRING FLING but have yet to buy your tickets, contact Sharon to book your spot.

Clubhouse Business

Regular hours for the restaurant and bar will be set very soon. Stay tuned. Sharon plans to repeat the popular



Baron of Beef Wednesdays and add a few new surprises. Our club manager, Sharon Chapman can be

contacted by:

Phone: 492 2853

Cellular: 809 2449

Email: sharchap@shaw.ca



MORE DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Staff Captain Report

With Crane Day fast approaching on April 19, boaters are once again reminded that they must comply with all marina policies. These include:

- payment of all moorage, crane, and cradle transportation fees in advance;
- provision of proof of insurance when fees are paid; and
- labeling cradles and trailers with owner and boat name.

To ensure that Crane Day goes smoothly, remember to:

- get a friend to help;
- show up well in advance;
- attach bow and stern lines for crane crew;
- check and service motor and get fresh fuel;
- check condition of all thru-hull fittings; and
- offer to assist fellow boaters.

Anyone who causes substantial delays may be charged an additional fee. Also, abandoned cradles and trailers are subject to seizure and impoundment by the marina. Impound fees will be billed to the owner. Your cooperation is anticipated and appreciated. For more information, please contact me at 490-8195 or the marina manager Wayne Lebedow at 770-2000.

In conjunction with Crane Day, Power Squadron is hoping to have a display booth down at the club with information on:

- Coast Guard required safety gear;
- operator's card guidelines;

- VHF radio licensing; and
- Power Squadron courses; and
- voluntary safety inspections.

Shawn Brown 490-8195

Membership Report

I would like to welcome all the new members as well as returning members to the PYTC. We look forward to a very exciting year ahead. If you have friends who have not signed up yet, please have them call me.

Kate Kimberley 492-4481

Gardening Report

The 200 tulip bulbs planted last fall are poking their heads above the soil as the weather warms up. Our plan is to plant the xeriscape area with grasses and native shrubs early this spring. If you are dividing grasses in your own gardens, perhaps you would consider donating some to the club. Please phone Shawn Brown at 490-8195 if you have items to donate. We will be looking for gardening volunteers again this year, if you think you could help, please contact Kate Kimberley at 492-4481. We will try to coordinate a morning that suits most people so we can work as a group.

Clubhouse Renovations

The club is undergoing an exciting facelift with fresh paint and all new light fixtures inside. The exterior will be painted as soon as the inside is finished. Thanks to Bernice Cooper who volunteered to be our "Designer" for the project. Hats off to Kate Kimberley for acting as our project manager for the renovation.

Thank-you

"Many hands made light work" for our work party last Sunday. Thank you to Vince Rabbitte, Alan and Ann Forsey and Gill Holland who worked very hard cleaning up the grounds on Sunday morning. Thanks to Ori and Leslie who helped me remove all the "clutter" from the walls inside the building, ready for the painters to start on March 26th.

Kate Kimberley

Volunteers Required

PAINTERS for the tennis room and chart room. If you are interested in contributing to this fulfilling endeavor and have a reasonably steady painting hand (or are willing to be trained), phone Kate Kimberley at 492-4481.

CRANE DAY HELPERS at the marina on April 19 or 20. Any time during the day. Contact Shawn Brown at 490-8195.

PLANTS for outdoor landscaping. Xeriscape grasses and lavender would be great. Contact Shawn Brown at 490-8195.

SOCIAL GARDENERS are required on an ongoing basis to join our enthusiastic team. If this describes you, contact Kate Kimberley at 492-4481.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 6:30-8:30pm Spring Tune-Up Session (Drop-In)	2 7:30-9:00am Mixed Singles	3 6:30-8:30pm Spring Tune-Up Session (Drop-In)	4 4:30-6:30pm Junior Doubles 6:30-8:00pm Mixed Singles	5
6	7 6:00-8:00pm Women's Doubles League	8 6:00-8:00pm Men's Doubles League	9 7:30-9:00am Mixed Singles 6:30-8:30pm Sport Psychology / Mental Training Seminar	10 6:00-8:00pm Mixed Doubles League	11 4:30-6:30pm Junior Doubles 6:30-8:00pm Mixed Singles	12 7:00pm-1:00am SPRING FLING
13	14 6:00-8:00pm Women's Doubles League	15 6:00-8:00pm Men's Doubles League	16 7:30-9:00am Mixed Singles 6:00-7:00pm Entry Lessons 7:00-8:00pm Intermediate Lessons	17 6:00-8:00pm Mixed Doubles League	18 4:30-6:30pm Junior Doubles 6:30-8:00pm Mixed Singles	19 Crane Day 12:00-3:00pm Lunch at the Club
20 Crane Day 1:00pm Spring Racing	21 6:00-8:00pm Women's Doubles League	22 6:00-8:00pm Men's Doubles League	23 7:30-9:00am Mixed Singles 6:00-7:00pm Entry Lessons 7:00-8:00pm Intermediate Lessons	24 6:00-8:00pm Mixed Doubles League	25 4:30-6:30pm Junior Doubles 6:30-8:00pm Mixed Singles	26 Fun Tennis Tournament
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2008 EVENTS

Saturday April 12
SPRING FLING Dance

Saturday April 19
Crane Day

Saturday May 3
Open House

Sunday May 11
Mother's Day Brunch

Saturday June 14 & 15
Commodore's Ball & Sailpast

Saturday July 12
Pig Roast & Ainsley Cup Tennis

Friday October 31
Halloween Party

Saturday November 8
International Dinner & Tennis Awards

Sunday November 16
Christmas Decorating

Saturday November 22
Sailing Awards

Sunday December 7
Children's Christmas Party

Newsletter News

If you have any suggestions for the newsletter, please let me know.

Also, email me if you have any tennis or boating gear that you want to sell or buy.

Next Set & Sail is expected late April.

Tracy St. Claire
492-2268 or
tsc@uniserve.com

**Spring Tennis Coaching Programs at PYTC**

The 2008 tennis will be our best season yet, building on all the good momentum from last year! We will be adding new programs, more tournaments and a few special events to make this a season to enjoy and improve.

Here is a list of tennis related programs starting in April with Robert Bettauer:

- Adult Initiation/Return to Game – 4 weeks starting Wednesday April 16th, 6-7 p.m. (\$60.)
- Adult Intermediate – 4 weeks starting Wednesday April 16th, 7-8 p.m. (\$60.)
- Junior Advanced Progressive Tennis (age 6-8) – 8 weeks starting, Wednesday April 16th, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (\$80.)
- Junior Advanced Progressive Tennis (age 9-11) – 8 weeks starting, Wednesday April 16th, 4:30- 5:30 p.m. (\$80.)
- Junior 12 and over Tennis (age 12 and over) – 8 weeks starting, Friday April 18th (\$80.)

In addition, Robert is offering spring tune-up sessions on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-7 pm on a drop-in basis for \$10 a session. Spring tune-up sessions are March 25, 27 and April 1, 3rd.

Robert will offer a special sport psychology/ mental training session in the lounge at the club on Wednesday April 9th from 6:30-8:30 pm. The session will deal with principles and strategies of sport psychology to help us deal with the mental and emotional issues confronting us when we play tennis (or anything else for that matter). The cost of the session is \$25, and refreshments will be available. There is limited space availability so please sign up or call Robert to reserve your spot. Robert has a Masters degree in Sport Psychology and has applied mental training strategies to athletes from a variety of sports.

Private and group lessons can be booked any time with Robert. Private lessons are \$65 per hour with a semi-private (2 people) at \$70. Add \$5 for each additional person.

Sign-up sheets for all these programs are at the club or call Robert directly at 486-3201 or contact him at vanchensports@shaw.ca.

See you on the courts!

Robert Bettauer 486-3201

Robert Bettauer Bio



Former world-ranked professional tennis player; played Davis Cup for Canada and has won several national titles. Won the Canadian Men's 50 Doubles Championship in August 2007.

Former two-time Olympic Coach (Seoul/ Barcelona). Ran the first national high-performance tennis program at UBC in mid-1980's.

Was Director of Tennis Development for Canadian Tennis for 10 years. Founded and managed the Canadian Sport Centre Ontario as CEO for 7 years.

Television analyst for over 20 years, covering tennis in Canada from the Olympics to Davis Cup ties to on-going coverage of the Rogers Cup Tennis Championships (Montreal & Toronto) for TSN every summer.

Recently completed a Masters in Psychology, specializing in sport. Provides mental training seminars.

Currently Director of Regional Tennis Development for Tennis BC as well as a consultant on various provincial and national sport development projects.



RESERVE your tickets by April 1 to ensure that this fun event goes ahead. We need adequate numbers to book the entertainment.

Spring Fling Saturday April 12

What: Spring Fling Dance & Appetizers
When: Saturday April 12, 2008
Where: Penticton Yacht & Tennis Club
Time: 7pm - 1am
Tickets: \$15 members in advance
\$20 non-members and at the door
492-2853 or www.pytc.ca