



Palacios Yacht Club

Located At Serendipity Marina

Palacios, Texas
(409) 244-6726

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The PYC Newsletter

(Accepting suggestions for newsletter name)

NOTICE: P.A.O.S.'s final event will be 12/5/92. This is the end of year Christmas party, to be held in the "Rec. Hall" at Serendipity, 12:00 noon, pot-luck.

This is also the beginning of the PYC. At our November meeting, it was decided that a local club could best serve the interest of local activities. While the PAOS would regroup as the Matagorda Bay Sailing Association (MBSA). It is our hope that other communities around Matagorda Bay would form similar clubs, from which an elected member would serve as representative on the board of MBSA. More on this organization later.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS!

To date we have contacted forty six prospective members. Out of this group there are twenty nine returning active members. I am sure as each of you receive your newsletters that word is spreading and we will here from others as the next sailing season approaches.



We are ready to order T-shirts for club members, so please get your application and dues in before the Holidays. If you did not receive an application last time, see the back of this newsletter.

Also: We have a good list of the member's "large" boats, but would like to know how many "board-boats" exist within the membership. I estimate there are 8-9. Please indicate on your applications in the "comments" section, so we can begin planning activities for this class.

BOATS - USED?

As the club begins to build it's small boat fleet, we will be on the lookout for SUNFISH & DOLPHIN SR's. If you have any leads on boats, call me so I can maintain a list. Lane (409)244-6726.



Sunfish Worlds

HOUSTON, TX - hosted the last week of September by the Houston Yacht Club.

Sunfish/Laser supplied 75 boats for sailors from seven countries. The event reportedly had strong winds for most of the races, including Day 1 with 25-knots and Day 2's afternoon race enjoyed a 40-knot squall over the race course. The winners were: 1. Paul-Jon Patin, Blue Point, NY (19.00) 2. Bob Findlay, Glencoe, IL (43.75) 3. Malcolm Smith, Bermuda (45.00) 4. Donny Martinborough, Nassau, Bahamas (45.00) 5. Jeff Linton, Tampa, FL (55.75).

ATTN: MUTIHULLS !

Though I like my traditional mono-hull craft, there is something to be said for SPEED! Last spring I went on a test sail of the F-27 in Galveston Bay. While other boats sat on their races courses or headed in through the rain, we on the other hand ran down the side of the squall around behind it and home safe and dry. I do mean "ran", the knot meter hung around 17.5 knots and occasionally reached 17.8 knots. The boat felt great and the ride was great. So if you "wet and wild" speed nuts are out there, come join us. By the way for those not aware of it, there were five catamaran regattas held at Palacios this past summer. The Hobie's, Prindels, TX Multi Hull Assn, and the Tornado Class and they are all planning return visits in 1993.

DOLPHIN SR



If you have one of these great board-boats you might be interested in information about rigging the boat, sailing in various conditions, go-fast gadgets and racing. Call me or catch me at a meeting for more info. LANE

M26: Yeah - I know, but it is still my favorite boat. SAME MacGREGOR NEWS! Be watching in SAIL magazine for a "test sail" review of the water ballast boats for 93. As I understand it, the M26 and the new HUNTER, and another (Santanna?) were put in trials at Lake Amistad, TX last month. I am looking for the article around Feb. - Apr.

**** If you get tired of one man's view or "repeated-ravings", PLEASE send me your articles by FAX (409)-245-3006; on disk (ASCII text file) or call them in (409)-244-6726. ****



**PALACIOS LABOR DAY
REGATTA 1992**

Attendance was around 30 boats, twenty Sunfish and ten other small one-design boats. We have

been asked to co-host this event next year with the Bay Shore Sailing Club and the City of Palacios. This event, according to Logan Goar of the Bay Shore Sailing Club, could grow to about 50 boats. Many contestants who stayed in the hotels have already made reservations for next year. The city has put up perpetual trophies for the different classes and holds an after race dinner and party. More later, Lane.

THANKS AGAIN!

To Carl and Babs on "Dances with Waves", for being our committee boat for the third and final race of the trailerable class - Matagorda Bay Cup Race 1992. You did a fine job and we appreciate your help. Oh - by the way that class was won by Roy Garrett on a MacGregor 26. If I can get my PHRF bumped up to about 360, I ought to have him next year????

MBSA ...News!

Matagorda Bay Sailing Association



A number of decisions regarding the future of the Palacios Association of Sailing (PAOS) were made at the November 13th meeting. After much discussion, it was agreed that the club's agenda has changed, and that it needed to be reorganized. Thus the birth of the MBSA.

The MBSA will continue to promote sailing activities throughout the Matagorda Bay area. The PAOS's most popular activities the past two years have been the overnight trips and the races out in the bay. These will continue. However, it was felt that something needs to be provided for the small-boat sailor. It was also felt that this could best be handled through local clubs based at the bay's main sailing areas: Palacios, Port Lavaca, Magnolia Beach and Port O'Conner. The PALACIOS YACHT CLUB is already off to a terrific start. It is hoped that a similar organization will spring up in Port Lavaca soon.

So how will the MBSA function? Well, it is intended to be a loose association of sailors from throughout the area. Anyone with an interest can join. You do not have to be a member of one of the local clubs. (Though we certainly hope you do join the one forming in your area.)

The MBSA's activities will be coordinated by a small committee of newly elected officers; Commodore: Kevin Kinard, Sec./Treas.: Steve Wilburn, Vice Comm. (PYC): Lane Hollister, Vice Comm. (Port O'Conner): Marcus North, Vice Comm. (Port-Lavaca): ??????

The MBSA's calendar of activities for next year has not been finalized yet, so I can't tell you what dates we will have all of the events. But, the following events have proven to be very popular, so they will become the base of our annual calendar.

* Memorial Day Weekend to Army Hole

* Labor Day Weekend to Army Hole

* The Matagorda Bay Cup Races

* The October Women-At-The-Helm Race

As a special note to the Matagorda Bay Cup series, it was decided that all races will be held out in the bay at a central location, rather than rotating from site to site.

Dues for this year will be \$10. The majority of this money will go towards postage, trophy's, and t-shirts. Remember, if you are a member of Boat/U.S. (or plan to join), you can get back \$8.50 of this when you renew your Boat/U.S. dues. Just mention that you are a member of the MBSA and give them this number: 00383228. Thank you, Kevin Kinard (Comm.)

* There will be a Christmas light boat parade in Port O'Conner on December 12th. St. Christopher's Marina will generously allow anyone participating in the parade to dock overnight for free. I hope to see you there with bells (and lights) on.



If you have any questions or comments regarding the PYC, please call LANE HOLLISTER

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**MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION 1993**

NAME: _____

ADDR: _____

CITY: _____

ST: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

Boat: _____

Crew: _____

COMMENTS: _____

Dues: \$25.00 Per year, per active skipper (Includes One T-Shirt), w/\$10.00 for extra shirts.

Shirt Quantity: [] Lrg, [] XLrg, [] XXLrg

Please make your checks payable to: **Palacios Yacht Club**
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