



Pine River Boat Club

General

Welcome to the 2016 boating season. This newsletter is a summary of important 2016 boating season information, event dates and membership information. Please refer to the Boat Club web site <http://www.pineriverboatclub.ca/> for additional items of interest. A new member information sheet, gate key, and a pennant will be provided to all new members. Please inform your Harbour Master if there will be a delay or if you are not putting your dock in this year. Twenty-four foot boats are the reasonable limit acceptable for our river. Channel depth varies over the season.

Key Issues

With the locks scheduled to go up by May 1 if you need a key before the Spring Annual meeting see **Dan Sevcik** for a key exchange at 62 Bell Drive, Lurgan Beach. You will need to be a paid up member with your old key for exchange. New paid up members get a key as part of their initiation fee. Replacement cost for a key is \$100. Key exchange will be available at the Spring AGM.

Loaning your Key harms the club

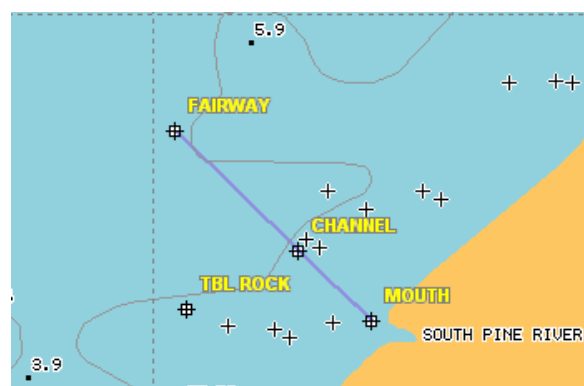
The gate key issued to members is for the exclusive use of the member. The club has set a fee of \$15 per day when a member permits a guest access to the key. The member takes the responsibility for the guest and is expected to collect the fee and submit it to the club treasurer. The key is not a community asset to be shared with neighbours thus reducing the financial support of the club and discouraging membership.

The meeting recognized that the loaning of a gate key to a non member without collection of the daily fee falls under Article 27 of the Bylaws, Discipline. The Board has identified its responsibility and will rule on complaints brought before it. Membership dues provide us with the resources to keep the river open for boating.

Treasurer Dan Sevcik reports that we have purchased solar range lights ,which will need to be installed in the spring. In addition after years of trying we have finally received a permit to dredge in the river.

Channel Issues

Depending on the quality of the Spring flush a channel dredge will be necessary. Last fall we experienced a silting in of sand at the mouth that made the channel impassable for most. The Board is watching the situation and will respond necessary. So far the lake levels continue to rise after years at low levels.



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Board of Directors

		Cottage	Home
Commodore	Mike McCourt	395-2826	519-356-2426
Vice-Commodore	Don Voll	519-741-7405	519-395-3519
Rear Commodore	Don Miller	226-339-1444	226-339-1444
Fleet Captain	Marty Wills		519-281-5970
Secretary	Gordon Cale		519-395-2291
Treasurer	Dan Sevcik	395-0331	519-748-1230
Director	Doug Baier	519-634-8135	519-395-3135
Director	Howard Madill	395-5608	519-696-2111
Director	Bill Johnson		519-395-4886
Harbour master and Director			
South	Paul Buttinger	395-4300	519-579-5859
Harbour Master			
North	TBA		
Webmaster	Barry Cress	395-2657	519-747-2783
Director at Large	Rob Kieswetter	395-0870	519-896-7063

2015 Important Dates

March 1	Date for on time payment of 2016 dues	
Saturday, April 23,	Board of Directors Meeting at the club house	10:30 am
May 1	Gate locks installed	
Sunday May 23	Spring Annual Meeting of members at the club house	10:30 am
June 30	Docks should be in or Harbour Master told of delay	
Saturday July 30	BBQ and Corn Roast at the club house	6:00 pm
Sunday, September 4	Fall Annual Meeting & elections at the club house	10:30 am

PRBC

Breakfast at the Bruce
Every Saturday Morning

July & August

Launch from PRBC at 8:00AM

Ride to Kincardine



Seadoo Riders Encouraged

All Others Welcome

New for 2015

Extended to 2016



The wall east of the south ramp was repaired last year.

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PINE RIVER BOAT CLUB INC

Income Statement 01/01/15 to 12/31/15

REVENUE

General Revenue

Memberships- RENEWAL	15,380.00
Additional Dock	00
Memberships-NEW	2,800.00
Memberships-SOCIAL	125.00
Memberships-LATE FEES	750.00
Lost Keys	100.00
Docking Fees	15.00
Wiener Roast	396.00
Total	19,566.00

Other Revenue

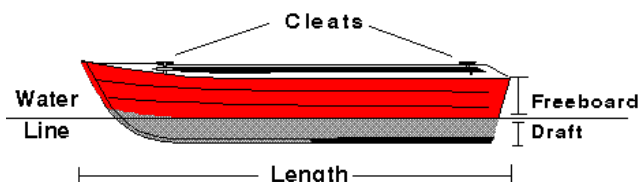
Insurance surplus rebate	131.00
Total Other Revenue	131.00
TOTAL REVENUE	19,697.00

EXPENSE

General & Administrative Expe..

Honorarium	100.00
Insurance	1,428.84
Interest & Bank Charges	53.05
Office Supplies	138.99
Flags & Pennants	0.00
Property Taxes	5730.25
Miscellaneous Expenses- Gifts	100.00
Donations	25.00
Land Rental-MNR	1,554.25
Grass Cutting	35.91
Repair & Maintenance	14,272.03
Keys & Locks	47.90
Website	270.48
Dredging	.00
Hydro South Side-MacDonald	300.00
Utilities	1,145.04
Total General & Admin. Expen..	15,552.40

TOTAL EXPENSE	15,552.40
NET INCOME	3,460.68



Join your fellow members at the Civic holiday BBQ. This is an opportunity to visit with those who share your interest in boating in Lake Huron.

Dues are due on March 1.
Don't be late!!!

Mail your 2016 dues
and any updated information to:

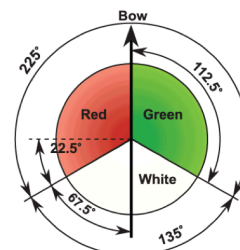
Dan Sevcik
180 Oldfield Dr.,
Kitchener, ON
N2A 3S5
\$200 on time
\$250 late
Social \$20

Be a good neighbour

Not all the waterfront that docks adjoin belongs to the club. There are places on club property to store docks when removed. Several neighbours permit access through their property but do so out of courtesy. Members must also show courtesy or face the loss of access.

Spring newsletter emailed

The Spring newsletter is emailed to all members for which we have a functioning email address. You will only receive a printed version if we are not able to reach your email. That may mean that you will receive it late. The newsletter is also posted on the club website. Each time we send a bulk email to members we find about 18 bounce. Check that we have your correct email address and that you have not "white listed" us. If you receive a mailed Newsletter and have an email address please send it to the Secretary at cales@hurontel.on.ca.



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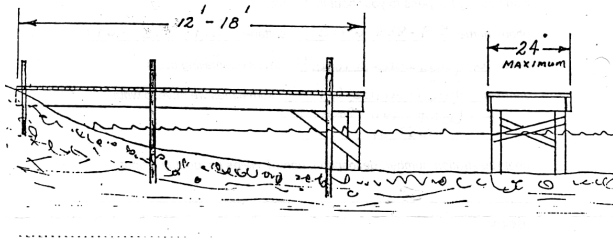
A Proposal to Consider

It has been suggested that the club consider building docks to rent to members. While this proposal may come to the Spring General Meeting, first a little history.

Over the years there have been a number of changes in the boating choices of members. Since the founding however regular membership has provided key access to the ramps, dredging as necessary, a channel, and if space was available a place to put your personal dock.



The club maintains a drawing that calls for docks to be two feet wide and eighteen feet long. This drawing reflected our early history and the demands of our agreement for water rentals from the Federal government. Last summer's major seiche on Civic Holiday overturned many of our docks built to the smaller size.



A new member wishing to install their own dock faces a substantial cost to build their dock. Today many members do not use or require a dock space, particularly the seadoo owners, leaving us with surplus space.

There is no suggestion that the current practice would end for those with their own docks. The member owned docks are generally installed and removed by the owners. The club does own a dock at each ramp that is installed and removed by Elliott's Construction. Several other member docks are maintained by Elliott's.

The proposal is that the club build a rental dock with the installation, removal, and the recovery of the cost of building factored into the rental cost. One rental dock would be built with further docks built as the cost was recovered from the first dock. The right to rent rather than install your own dock could be established by a draw.



Vice Commodore Don Voll Reports

As a PRBC Member, it is your responsibility to attend Spring and Fall General Meetings to keep informed with current events and situations that are occurring. If you are unable to attend a meeting, it is also your responsibility to read the Minutes and Newsletters that are kept current on the PRBC website.

The Board of Directors is comprised of individuals that VOLUNTEER their time to ensure the boat club is operating and cares for in a safe manner.

It was at the Spring General Meeting on May 16th (2015) that members were informed of the plans for a yard cleanup day. A number of members signed up to VOLUNTEER their time on Saturday June 13th. Members were reminded that their docks etc. should be clearly identified (this also has been on the PRBC website since inception) Members had one (1) month to ensure their docks etc. were clearly marked or moved to the back parking lot where they should have been stored all along. (clearly stated on the PRBC website since inception).

Once again, Board members VOLUNTEER their time to mow and trim the grass on the PRBC Clubhouse grounds. When docks and poles are scattered haphazardly everywhere, it makes it a challenge to mow grass.

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