



## A Message from the Commodore:

*Frank Bear*

It is my honor to be selected as the 73RD Commodore of the Navy Yacht Club of Pensacola. Our Commodore's Ball at PYC was a wonderful event. My thanks to Libby Day and Ricki McWilliams and those other unsung heroes that brought off the event smoothly. Due to scheduling issues our Change of Watch was held early at the Ball. GLYC had a previously booked event that made it necessary to move our Change of Watch up. I look forward to working with our Membership to bring our club forward and to be more involved with sailing, racing and raft up's. I hope your family had a wonderful holiday season and that all your wishes came true.



## Vice Commodore:

*Ricki McWilliams*

Happy New Year and Happy 2026, NYCP! With a new year comes a new Bridge, and I'm honored to serve as your Vice Commodore. As we turn the page together, we do so with gratitude for the traditions, friendships, and successes that brought us here—and with excitement for all that lies ahead. As we start the year on the right foot, we often think about good food choices and exercise, but don't forget the most important part: take the adventure. Make the memories. Add a dash of fun to your daily routine. Those moments are what make our NYCP community so special. Florida winter gives us plenty of "summer-y" days, so get out on the water as much as you can—and be sure to send in your photos! We love seeing where life's adventures take you and where the NYCP burgee flies. [navycuppensacola@gmail.com](mailto:navycuppensacola@gmail.com) Here's to a year of fair winds, full sails, and unforgettable memories.



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Rear Commodore:

*Lauren Harrold*

Happy New Year. Looking forward to getting reacquainted with our returning members and meeting our new members at the first General meeting of 2026. There will be long sleeved crew neck shirts available for purchase in white and light blue in various sizes. If you missed out on picking up an NYCP burgee last year, please stop by and see me. Represent NYCP with pride. Classic and comfortable apparel and accessories can be purchased online and delivered straight to your door. Save on shipping by combining your order with a friend.



Fleet Captain:

*Mark Smith*

The 2026 regatta schedule is almost finalized. I should have it published before the sailor's banquet, which is on the 23rd of January. As soon as the annual regatta schedule is finalized I will publish all Notice of Race documents for NYCP. Hope everybody had a Merry Christmas. Mark.



Secretary:

*Ms. Patti*

Ahoy all ye' swabbies and scallywags, captains & 1st mates! Welcome to a new everything! I will be your secretary this year. I will post updates here in the foghorn from our bridge meeting every month as well as periodic notes from our monthly members' meeting.

No one can be serious all the time, so keep in touch. There's a good chance you'll find some humor here now and then. Casting off!





Treasurer:

*Stefanie Hoffman*

Hello everyone, I am Stefanie Hoffman, and I am very excited to get started as the treasure for Navy Yacht Club Pensacola. Once Esley, your past treasure completes the report for 2025 I will present that to you with the budget for the year ahead. I am retired Air Force and truly look forward to immersing myself in all that NYCP has to offer while serving all of you. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have a need. I am a novice sailor, who spends most of her time with my junior sailors. I hope to fill the shoes of Esley as he transitions on to other things. Wishing each of you and yours the very best for 2026.



GYA Coordinator:

*Chip MacMillian*

Just a reminder that this year's GYA Winter Meeting will be held January 10th at PYC. It's open to all who would like to attend. The schedule of events is posted on the GYA website, GYA.org. You will also find the 2026 racing schedule, which includes all the PHRF, ORR-EZ and One Design regattas for the year at all the GYA Clubs. The local Pensacola Bay events will be added after being finalized at the winter meeting.



Flotsam & Jetsam

*Molly Werner*

Greetings & Happy New Year ` Welcome to 2026 and a bit of History from our storied past. Members of the "A" Team, Race Committee worked both PYC and Navy Yacht Club regattas for many years. Bev Stagg, wife of P/C Lloyd Stagg and Navy CAPT's (Ret), Mary Ann Hayes, Flo Beatty, Linda Balink White, and yours truly behind the camera on the PYC Race Committee boat, MAXINE. It was a fun time. Anyone who is interested in being a part of the Sailing Community will find working on the Race Committee most rewarding.



## NYCP Juniors in Action



Wesley Hoffman represented Team USA; his second event with Team USA and his first time sailing in Argentina at the PanAmerican Optimist Championship Regatta December 2025.



Claire and Emmett Perez - have lasers, will travel! Halloween Regatta Augusta Sailing Club,



Jack McWilliams takes 2<sup>nd</sup> place in white fleet at the Allstate Sugar Bowl Optimist Midwinter Championship November 2025.



Jake McWilliams is just getting his "feet wet" in the opti.



Jake & Claire have talents on land too! Christmas on the Coast ~ Pensacola Children's Chorus

Jack, Ricki & Jake enjoyed the lighted boat parade aboard Seahorse.



## New Members: Chris & Courtney Burrows

Chris and Courtney transferred to Pensacola from San Diego in November. They were active members of Navy Yacht Club San Diego since 2021. Chris has been sailing/racing since 2021 and was also a Sailing Instructor for MWR. Courtney has been sailing/racing since 2022. They do not own a boat (they live in a 'land yacht') but enjoy getting out on the water whenever the opportunity arises. Courtney is still Active Duty Navy and is an Aviation Maintenance Officer.

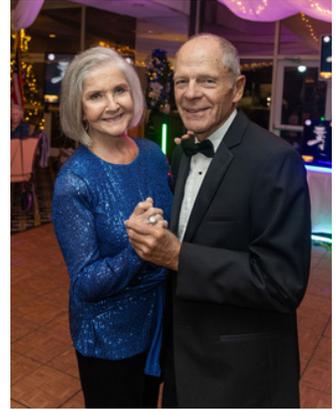


## Commodore's Ball 2025

The Commodore's Ball 2025 was a fantastic evening enjoyed by all. Guests delighted in delicious food, great music, and a lively dance floor! The evening was made even more special with the induction of our new Bridge, marking an exciting moment for the club and its future.



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# Good Golly Miss Molly turned 90!

90 years young Miss Molly, our beloved NYCP pillar - here's to more cake, more dancing, and many more joyful moments!





## Membership - Here's your incentive!

2026 membership renewal is now open  
Renewal pricing as follows:

### Retired Military and DoD

Family - \$150.00

Single - \$95.00

### Active Duty

Family - \$110.00

Single - \$75.00

Military Student-  
\$15.00

### 150 miles away

Family - \$75.00

Single - \$50.00



Have your Membership dues paid/postmarked by January 31, 2026, to receive a FREE drink at the March General Membership Meeting!

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## Support the Navy Cup — Advertise Today!

Advertising in the Navy Cup brochure directly supports junior scholarship funds, helps cover club operating expenses, and offsets the costs of the annual Commodore's Ball.

We need full membership participation to make this year a success! Show your support by cheering on the Navy Yacht Club as we work to win back the Cup, promoting your business through an advertisement, or encouraging a local business you regularly support to purchase an ad. There's a way for everyone to get involved and make a difference. Email: [navycuppensacola@gmail.com](mailto:navycuppensacola@gmail.com) for more information.

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# January 2026

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4	5	6	7	8	9 GYA Winter Meeting	10 GYA Winter Meeting
11	12	13	14 NYCP Bridge Meeting	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23 Annual Bay Area Awards	24
25	26	27 NYCP Meeting 	28	29	30	31

## A Few Notes To Remember

- The GYA Winter Meeting will be hosted by Pensacola Yacht Club. NOR can be found [here](#).
  - The Bay Area Awards / Sailor's Banquet will be hosted by Pensacola Yacht Club on January 23, 2026, at 6:00pm. **Please RSVP to [membership@navypnsyc.org](mailto:membership@navypnsyc.org) by January 19, 2026, if you plan to attend.** Thank you for casting your votes. We are looking forward to celebrating all the award recipients, especially those from Navy Yacht Club,
  - The General Membership meeting January 27, 2026, will be held at Grand Lagoon Yacht Club. Food and drinks are available for purchase. Membership Director, Libby Day, will be available to take membership renewal payments (via check) and give you the updated 2026 sticker for your card.
    - Guest Speaker ~ Tim Dunton will discuss sailing on Pensacola Bay and weather conditions. This is one to not miss!
  - General Membership meetings are typically held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month - note the change for January due to meeting space availability.
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# February 2026

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8	9	10	11 NYCP Bridge Meeting	12	13	14
15	16	17 NYCP Meeting	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 Maxine 1 Regatta

## A Few Notes To Remember

- Maxine 1 will be open for registration. See you on the water. Contact Fleet Captain, Mark Smith, for additional information.



## 2026 Bridge: Officers & Directors

### Officers

Commodore: Frank Bean 251-591-4650

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Treasurer: Stefanie Hoffman 850-855-7446

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