

How much does it cost to be a member? See cost page.

Cost for 2023 season.

- Full Membership Dues - \$700 per season. Please note the first year you become a full member you are also assessed and additional \$800. \$400 is an initiation fee and \$400 is a stock fee. You will receive the stock fee back when you retire from the club.
- Associate Membership Dues - \$700 per season
- Junior Membership (Age 25 - 29 before May 1st.) Dues - \$467 per season
- Collegiate Membership (Age 18 - 24 before May 1st.) Dues - \$105 per season

Do you allow motorboats? No. All motorboats on the premises are owned by The Pontiac Yacht Club or the Pontiac Sailing Education Foundation and are used only for club or foundation activities.

Do you have any sailboats to rent? No. However, members are permitted to use designated sailboats owned by the Pontiac Sailing Education Foundation upon approval of the boat chairperson. The boats available include – one Sunfish, two Capri 16s, one CL 16, and two 420s.

What is the maximum size of boat you will take? 19 feet which is the size of a lightning. No boats over 19 feet are permitted. Also, Lightnings are the only boats permitted to have a slip on the dock.

Can I keep my boat at the dock? Lightnings are the only boats permitted to have a slip on the dock. In addition, they must be kept on a boatlift. The boatlifts are owned by the individual boat owners.

Does it cost extra to keep a boat at PYC? Boat Fees are as follows – Dock \$230, Dry Sail \$160, Rack \$85 (Sunfish, Laser, Kayak etc.) Sailboards \$35 per year, Boat on Trailer Winter \$115, Rack Boat Trailer \$35, Rack Boat Dolly \$35

Are there opportunities to crew in races? Yes. Boat owners that race are often looking for crew. The best way to get a crew spot is to get to know members of the club and express your desire to crew. Also, you can show

up early on race days and ask around if there are any boats that need an additional crew.

Are PYC members allowed to have parties at the club? Yes. Small gatherings (15 or fewer) are always permitted. Groups of 16 or more are required to obtain approval from the rear commodore who coordinates club usage and the calendar. Parties of more than 75 are not allowed. There is no fee but the hosts are required to completely clean up when done.

How can I get involved in the club? Club membership at PYC is what you make it. There are many ways to get involved at the club. A few suggestions are; show up at the spring and fall work parties, introduce yourself to people, come to the potlucks and other PYC special events, attend and/or volunteer at club elite experience like The Whitecap regatta or other PYC hosted events.

Does PYC offer adult sailing lessons? Yes. PYC offers a great Adult Sailing course. The course meets on Thursday evenings for 8 weeks during the summer. Each class begins with an on shore lecture followed by 1 ½ to two hours of sailing with experienced instructors on a Lightning or other sailboat. This class fills up fast. Registration is open to PYC members March 1 and open to non-members April 1st.

What about children's sailing lessons? PYC itself does not offer children's sailing lessons. These are offered by the Pontiac Sailing Education Foundation (a 501C3 organization) and held at PYC. In addition, PSEF sponsors a youth racing team that competes with other DRYA Yacht Club teams.

Are racing fleets other than Lightnings allowed at the club? While all classes of sailboats (19 ft and less) are welcome at the club, only the Lightnings have a racing fleet. That said, mixed class races are held on Monday evenings using the Portsmouth Handicap rating system.

When is the club open? The club season is late April – early October (dock in and dock out days TBD). The club is available for member from morning to night. No overnight stays. The last person at the club is required to please lock up the club.