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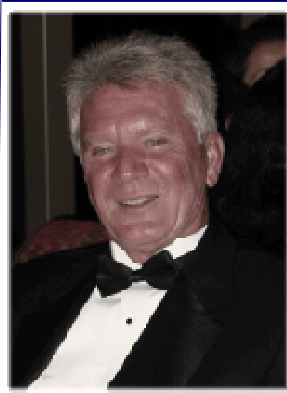
Commodore's Corner — Randy Meyer

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COMMODORE'S BALL

Greg Hansen is heading up this year's Commodore's Ball, which will be held on April 13, 2013, at the Halifax Golf Club. The entertainment will be provided by Carl Monte. There will be hors de oeuvres and three selections for the dinner along with desert. The cost is \$45.00 for members and \$55.00 for non-members. Please contact Greg for your reservations and dinner choice, at 386-445-7683. **Remember that reservations and payments are due to Greg by April 8th.**

APRIL

Now that all of our boats got blessed last moth we are ready for our first mates class this month. This class is for all members that are not captains of a vessel. This is a great opportunity for our non- boat owners to get a working knowledge of the boats they may be riding in at some point. I have once again ordered a bright sunny day for this event. The picnic after the class will be at the marina and is open to all members (information on the date and time is in the maritime article).

50/25/25

The 50/25/25 drawing was won by one of our newest members and the oldest members of our club. After the meeting next month, the board of FBYC will decide if we will continue the drawing as 50/25/25 or go back to a 50/50 drawing. If you have any feelings on this please let the club's directors know.

BED RACE

FBYC needs to start thinking about this year's bed race. If we enter again it is time to start a design and build committee. We also would need a lead for this project. If you have any thoughts please contact Bob Jaeger.

PAST COMMODORES



1992-1993	Tom McBride	2002	Howard Graves	2009	Jane Gaulding
1994	Ed Finney	2003	Pat Slattery	2010	Dee Cocchiola
1995-1996	Tom Johns	2004	George Barnett	2011	Rich Franco
1997-1998	Denis Thornton	2005	Pete Poole	2012	Greg Hansen
1999-2000	John Darrow	2006-2007	Mike Cocchiola		
2001	Paul Van Buren	2008	Claudia Towne		

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Can you believe it, we are three months into 2013. With three meetings and three Commodores Socials down that's only 25% of the calendar year and I haven't been on any vacations as yet. I am already begging for the Treasurers job back.

Our March General Membership Meeting was our salute to St Patrick's Day with our traditional "corned beef and cabbage" night. Jeanne Meyer and Cindy Franco co-lead this event which is by far our most popular club event. It was standing room only and we all had our fill of corned beef, cabbage, carrots, and potatoes and of course that special soda bread that Kathy Gallagher makes every year. The best count was we had 98 people in attendance. A SUPER thank you goes out to Jeanne Meyer and her many volunteers who helped make this event a "huge" success. You can't legally go anywhere and have that much food and fun for so little money. Pictures enclosed.

Our April General Membership Meetings' theme is "Spring Fling". The co-leads for this event are Rosie Urban and Kris Richter. They are looking for help with the meeting snacks and setup so give them a call and volunteer to help. We'll keep you posted as more develops; just keep spring time in your thoughts.

We'll skip having a Commodores Social in April since the club has a number of events already scheduled; our 3-day Savannah trip, Commodores Ball and the 1st Mates Course with a picnic. We'll pick the socials back up in May.

See you all at the General Membership Meeting on the 18 of April.



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FBYC Boating Etiquette

Bob Jaeger - Rear Commodore



Ahoy matey! As a member of a boating club, we sometimes are placed in situations, both on and off the water, that we are not sure how to act. This is especially true of members who currently don't have a boat or who have never owned one, or are new to **FBYC**. Since we are a club that meets both on and off the water, here are a few thoughts to ponder:

On the water:

Before the trip, check with the Skipper as to what to bring, where and when to meet.

Be on time (or early).

As a guest on a boat, it is your job to observe how you find things at the start of the cruise. How are the fenders attached and at what height? How does your skipper coil lines? When you use something, remember where and how it is stored; when finished, return it to the same location.

Unless a Skipper tells you otherwise he will have a Lifejacket for you on the boat so you don't have to bring your own.

Wear non-marking non-skid shoes.

Bring a hat that won't blow off, has a chin strap or a string that ties to something. Bring sunglasses.

If you don't know or understand something...ASK!

Most Skippers prefer that red wine be left behind – it is really difficult to clean stains off the upholstery. Also, do not bring glass containers.

Keep watch while underway - hitting a log or a manatee or another vessel can really mess up the trip.

Many boats have a non-smoking policy, others have an outside the cabin and downwind policy. Ask the Skipper what his policy is before smoking.

Please ask before using the head.

If the Skipper allows you to take the helm, be mindful of smaller boats: the ICW is filled with small recreational vessels, so slow down to minimum wake if approaching a kayak, canoe, or a small fishing boat.

Guests should be familiar with proper radio procedures.

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At the end of the trip:

Help get the boat cleaned up and put away. Don't jump off the boat as soon as you dock, expecting to leave right away. Wait until all the end-of-trip chores are done.

If you don't know how to help...ASK. Having everyone leave at the same time, moving their gear off the boat makes it easier for the skipper to do a once-through to see if anything was left behind.

Say "Thank You" and offer to share expenses for gas, food, beverages.

At a BBQ event:

- Bring your own beverages
- Bring a dish to share
- Bring chairs
- If you need "shade" for a sunny day (umbrella, etc.), bring it!
- Bring sunglasses, hat and plenty of sunscreen
- If an on-water event, offer a ride to a non-boater

Other Items:

- As our membership lists contain personal information, if you print a new list, **shred** the old one
- If any of your contact information changes, please notify the Rear Commodore
- Volunteer to be a part of the Social Committee or Maritime Committee
- Contact the lead at our monthly meeting to offer to bring refreshments
- At our monthly meetings, take a turn and help clean-up



Maritime Calendar of Events

Ed Bengston, FBYC Co-Fleet Captain

With a chill in the air, on a bright, sunny morning in March, the FBYC fleet gathered at Herschel King Park for our annual tradition of the Blessing of the Fleet. Keeping a spacing of 200 yards, the nine vessel fleet led by Commodore Randy in *Lola*, proceeded south in a very organized manner (we almost looked like we knew what we were doing)!! Thanks go out to Dave Smith, our church elder, for giving the Blessing and his wife Sue for helping keep Dave organized. Special thanks go out to John & Melissa Extrom for allowing us to use their dock (even though John was flying north to snowy Syracuse at the time). Following the Blessing, four fleet members proceeded down the ICW to Daytona Beach and Caribbean Jacks to meet the rest of the club (about 40 members) for lunch. Thanks to Chris Nelson for making all the arrangements at Caribbean Jacks, Vice Commodore Len for coming to the rescue of the *Makai* when their batteries failed, and to all who made it a great day!!

If you haven't done so already, contact John Green or Joe Lindholm to put your name down for the First Mate's course held at the Palm Coast Marina. This is also a good opportunity for all those members without boats to sign up and refresh your skills by taking the helm of one of our boats.

As always, we will post all activities on the FBYC Google calendar, and email the latest information to the membership concerning time, location, and reservations, if needed, for any event. Please mark your calendar and join us for these fun-filled activities:

April 1-3

Savannah

Lead: Marsha Berry

April 15

Maritime Committee Meeting

Bob Jaeger's House @ 7:00 PM

April 27

First Mate's Course – Navigation @ 10:30 AM

Club Burger BBQ @ 12:00 PM

Lead: John Green RAIN DATE: April 28

May 10

Matanzas Beach Steak Bake

Lead: Joe Lindholm RAIN DATE: May 31



On the water SOUND signals

Ed Bengston

Co-Fleet Captain



Did you know that all vessels under 65 ½ feet in length are required to carry a whistle or horn that can be heard at least ½ mile away?

According to the Florida Boater's Guide, listed below are the situations when **sound signals** are recommended to be used.

Changing directions:

One short blast: Lets another boater know that "I intend to pass you on my port side."

Two short blasts: Lets another boater know that "I intend to pass you on my starboard side."

Three short blasts: Lets everyone know that you intend to back up.



Restricted visibility:

One Long blast at intervals not more than two minutes apart – for power boats that are underway.

One long blast and two short blasts at intervals of not more than two minutes apart – for sailboats that are under sail.

Warnings:

One prolonged blast – a general warning signal (for example, used when coming around a blind bend).

Five short, rapid blasts – signal danger or signal that you do not understand or that you disagree with the other boater's intentions.

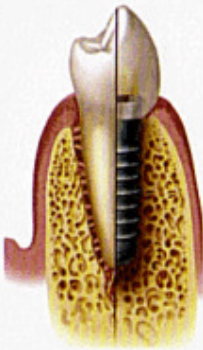
FBYC – April Birthdays

**| Hoist a Tankard of Grog to
This Month's Birthday Pirates**

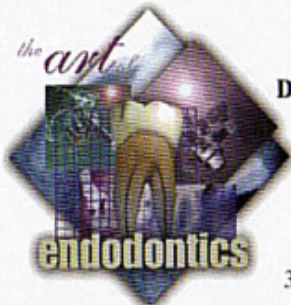
Claudia	Towne	6-Apr
Nancy	Oakes	23-Apr
Mary	<u>Stetler</u>	25-Apr
Bill	Luke	29-Apr
John	<u>Extrom</u>	30-Apr



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BOAT FOR SALE

2003 Sea-Pro 220cc with a 150 Yamaha motor: 2 live wells, dual batteries, etc. One owner and in excellent condition. Asking \$19,900.

Please contact Phil Lord 447-6599

BOAT FOR SALE



1997 Chris Craft 34 ft. Cabin Cruiser w/Radar Arch.
Has Twin Volvo Diesel Engines with less than 700 hrs. each

Features include Head w/Shower, Air Conditioned Cabin,
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Queensize Berth, TV + Radio, GPS + Radar, 5K Generator,
Large Aft Sitting Area and Bridge Canvas Curtains

Boat is on lift in rear yard on Intra Coastal Waterway for
your inspection. Insured for \$68,000. Owner looking for
Best Offer prior to giving the listing to a Marine Broker on
a commission sale.

Bonnie Cross

Front Street Village
386-447-1870

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MUST SEE! CLEAN! Always lift kept. Hard top. Electronics include Garmin GPS & fish finder. 200 HP Mercury Offshore motor, 357 hours. New water pump, thermostats, CDI boxes, coils, ignition switch, and oil sensor. Complete helm enclosure, like new.

\$11,600 OBO

Joe

Call Joe @ 630-817-7887.





FBYC – Ship’s Store

Thank you to all for supporting the Ship’s Store. Anyone interested in ordering FBYC T-shirts we have true swatch color selector of 77 new colors.

We are pricing larger acrylic wine and highball glasses as soon as we get the cost, there will be an order or sign-up sheet possibly by next month.

New Merchandise –Must be ordered

Large Rolling Cooler with FBYC Logo and Name \$52. Capacity 12 bottles of wine or 48 cans of beer, (oops!! Soft drinks) collapsible for easy storage. Colors available in Black, Red w Black, Twilight blue w Black. One – hand push button extension handle extends to 21 inches. Dimensions 14”H X 14”W x 11”D

Port Authority 12 –Pack Cooler –Colors available in Red/Blk ,Gold/Blk Royal/Blk, or Black \$23, with FBYC logo.

In Stock

Colored T-Shirts, Ladies Tank Tops, Sleeveless Men’s T-Shirts \$13 each

20th Anniversary limited addition – Ladies large, Men’s XXL \$10 each

2 – 12 Pack coolers available in Royal/Black with FBYC logo \$23 each

Any questions please contact:

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