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Commodore's Corner — Cindy Franco

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Happy New Year and Welcome Aboard to FBYC 2018. I look forward to serving you as Commodore and would like to hear from all members throughout the year. I hear your Vice Commodore and Fleet Captains have planned many fun-filled, exciting events for you. Please give them your support as they plan events for your club. Our club is entering into its 26th successful year made possible by the participation and dedication of our members.



Before we move on to 2018 I would like to take this opportunity to thank members for a fantastic turnout for our Holiday Commodore's Ball. We had just under 100 members dancing the night away under the starry holiday lights of the beautifully decorated Channel Side to the fabulous music provided by our member Tim Rippey.

We combined the annual Christmas Party along with our Commodore's Ball this year as an option for the future. Please give your board feedback on keeping events local and combining our two formal functions for future years.

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PAST COMMODORES



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1994	Ed Finney	2004	George Barnett	2012	Greg Hansen
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1999-2000	John Darrow	2008	Claudia Towne	2015	Bob Jaeger
2001	Paul Van Buren	2009	Jane Gaulding	2016	Joe Lindholm
2002	Howard Graves	2010	Dee Cocchiola	2017	John Green



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Thank you to Janet Clerke for her lead of the Stetson Mansion Holiday Tour. We had 26 attend the tour followed by lunch at "The Byte" in downtown Deland. It was a great way to enjoy a local celebration of our holiday season.



I would also like to thank Janet Clerke for her lead as decorator of the FBYC Christmas Tree exhibit in the Flagler Library in Palm Coast. She gave our tree a little face-lift this year. Thank you to Janet and her volunteers. The trees will be on exhibit until January 4th. If you have a chance stop by and take a peek.

I hope to see many of you at our January meeting as we begin our new year. Happy New Year and Happy, Safe Boating,

Cindy



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FBYC Social News

Happy New Year FBYC and welcome aboard with the New Board members for 2018. Well if you have been to my Winter Wonderland home, you might say my favorite holiday is Christmas. I have many Christmas trees including in the bathrooms. I am not sure but my guests were fascinated with my talking snowman plumber in the bathroom. I hope you enjoyed the holiday season with family and friends.



The month of December we started off with our Holiday Commodores Ball. Thanks to PC John Green and Commodore Cindy Franco. A special thanks to Nancy Epstein for co-leading our ladies Christmas luncheon dedicated to Kathy Gallagher. We had 43 ladies who attended, full of holiday spirits, dancing and singing along with Tim Rippey. Thanks Tim and Betsy for your gift of music and generosity. Of course thanks to Christine Passiglia for blessing our meal.



Caroling on the canals this year was very cold I thought I was back to windy city of Chicago. I think I was delirious, not from drinking alcohol maybe? There were definitely more people along the way to cheer us on for our hearty singing. Special thank you to Susie and Bill Moya for hosting the party.

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I have scheduled our first Social Committee meeting for Thursday, Jan. 4, 2018, 6:30 p.m. my house. All are welcome, so please bring your ideas and I look forward to any suggestions. I will be sending email to the Social Committee volunteers.

SAVE THE DATE: **JANUARY 25, 2018**

COMMODORE SOCIAL : **Mr. Pancho**

**5 Utility Dr.****\$2.99 Margaritas****Palm Coast, Fl.****Time : 4:30 P.M.****HAPPT HOUR 4:30 to 8 pm****PLEASE SIGN UP AT OUR GENERAL MEETING IN JANUARY.****Safe Boating – Vice Jeanne Meyer**



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I think I have finally thawed out from our first “caroling on the canals” experience. Winter coats, gloves, and toboggans were worn by many, especially, aboard our pontoon boat. Several boaters were even wrapped up in blankets, but still, it was a lot of fun. Nancy and I are looking forward to next year’s caroling and the many other events planned.

Thanks to Bill & Susan Moya for hosting a fantastic after party. It lasted thru all “12 days of Christmas”.

In my new position as your Rear Commodore, I will be the data manager for our club. FBYC has two lists that are useful for contacting other members: The FBYC Master List and the FBYC Boat List. Both lists are on our home page at <http://flaglerbeachyachtclub.com/>. Something new this year will be the addition of an e-mail address for each and every member. Both lists are password protected.

I am also the contact person for potential (sponsored members) who want to join the boat club. Please see me for a copy of our application form. Our FBYC by-laws dictate a 150 member cap with a 75% boat to 25% non-boat ratio. Presently, we have 137 total members of which 78.1% are boat owners. We are accepting new members, but they must own a boat. Non-boat owners shall be placed on a waiting list.

Enjoy this new boating season and be safe.

Rear Commodore - Ray

Maritime Moments



Caroling on the Canals followed by a party at the Moya's happened on Saturday December 9.

Caroling this year was only for the hardest of crews. With 17 boats signed up we were planning for a great event. Unfortunately, Mother Nature decided to intervene. Starting about 4 days prior to the event we began to get captains canceling. By the time we were at the meet up point there we only 8 boats. Never the less set set off with the Triano's in the lead. The boats were decorated and Santa Clause was along for the fun. The temperature was 49 degrees, wind about 14, no sun and even a few drops of rain. The group pushed on for about an hour and a half signing, drinking and generally wishing we had been smart enough to cancel also.



Susie and Bill Moya hosted a after caroling party at their beautiful home on a canal in the Sanctuary. The club supplied hot dogs and hamburgers and everyone brought a dish to share. Even though the weather was a bit challenging for

Florida, I counted 66 members in attendance but there could have been a few more. There were seats and tables for all, a lot of good conversation and even a wine tasting competition. Jeanne Meyer won the competition by identifying all six types of wine correctly.

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As the lead for the Caroling Day, I (Alan Hendry) guess I have to take the blame for the lousy weather. I would like to thank Mike Triano for being the lead boat and also, thank the grill-master's Jack Cohen and Ed Caisse. Thanks also to all of those that helped set up and clean up at the Moya's. Most of all, I would like to give a special thanks to **Susie and Bill** for opening their home to all of us.

Maritime Meeting January 5th. There will be a 2018 Maritime planning meeting at Mike Triano's house on January 5th at 6:30 PM. All FBYC members are welcome. If you are on the Maritime Committee, please plan on attending if at all possible. If you are not on the Maritime Committee you are welcome to participate as well. Our location along with damage to marinas from Irma does put some limits on our event choices. That said, please try to think of some new venues or different events and bring your ideas to the Maritime planning meeting.



When to Use "Mayday" or "Pan-Pan"

Tips for making distress calls on your VHF radio.

By [Ken Englert](#) October 15, 2015

Q. What are the differences between and when should I use “mayday” or “pan-pan” on my VHF Radio.

A. In order of priority, mayday is the internationally recognized distress call that is used as preface in VHF Radio transmissions only in situations in which there is an immediate danger of loss of life or the vessel itself. This includes when a boat is sinking, there’s a fire in the engine room, or someone on board is unconscious or experiencing a serious injury or illness.

Pan-pan is the international urgency signal that is used as a preface to a VHF transmission when the safety of a person or the boat is in serious jeopardy but no immediate danger exists, but it could escalate into a mayday situation. For example, pan-pan is used in situations in which the boat has a slow leak or the engines are disabled and the boat is drifting toward a rocky shore.

Nine Essentials of a Mayday Call

A mayday call on a VHF radio must consist of nine essential elements in order to be effective and help ensure a prompt response.

- 1. Who:** You must identify yourself by boat name (and radio call sign if you were assigned one).
- 2. Where:** State clearly your location as accurately as possible. This can be GPS coordinates (most important); landmass sightings; your distance to shore or a navigation aid such as a light or buoy; radar observations; your boat’s speed and heading; the elapsed time from a marina or harbor; and/or your last known position, all of which can help to quickly pinpoint your location and hasten rescue.
- 3. What:** Explain the type of emergency you are experiencing (e.g., the boat is taking on water or is beginning to sink; a passenger is suffering a heart attack; there is a fire aboard).
- 4. Kind:** State the nature of assistance you require (e.g., we need water pumps; a doctor or medic is needed; requesting immediate rescue).
- 5. Number:** Give the number of souls on board and their condition, if hurt or injured.
- 6. Seaworthiness:** Provide the condition of your boat (e.g., rising water in the bilge and pumps are not working; dead in the water; fire in the engine room; etc.).
- 7. Description:** Describe your boat in detail (boat type, manufacturer, superstructure, color, striping, any distinguishing features or markings to help quickly identify your boat).
- 8. Schedule:** Advise Coast Guard or rescuers of the times and channel you will be listening to on your radio (example: “I will be monitoring Channel 16 every 15 minutes on the quarter-hour”).

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9. Stay Calm and Communicate Clearly: When making a mayday call on the VHF radio, it is important to remain calm and speak clearly. To be best understood it would be helpful to remember RSVP:

Rhythm

Your messages are more clearly conveyed when you speak with a naturally paced rhythm.

Speed

Talk a little slower than you would in a normal conversation.

Volume

Don't shout! Talk at the same level as you would on the phone.

Pitch

Speak at a pitch that is slightly elevated from what you would normally use in a casual conversation.

I have always been passionate about boating safety. With this in mind, I created the "Mayday Radio Guide," which is a quick reference guide and a word-for-word script on how to properly make a mayday radio call. It is printed on an 8½-by-11-inch card sealed in heavy-gauge, nonglare plastic to help guide you on what to say and how to say it when an emergency arises.



FBYC Calendar of Events

2018 Calendar of Events

January 4th, Social Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., @ Jeanne Meyer's

January 5th Maritime Committee Meeting, 6:30 p.m., @ Mike Triano's

January 18th FBYC General Meeting, 7:00 p.m. (social at 6:30) Santa Maria del Mar Church Hall

January 25th Commodore's Social, 4:30 p.m. Cantina Mr. Pancho Mexican Grill

Additional events may be planned following the Social and Maritime Committee Meetings. Watch for future blasts.



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Carol Triano	13 - Jan
Carol Epstein	15 - Jan
Linda Jaegar	15 - Jan
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Rain Jackets with Logo	\$59
Hats and Visors	\$11

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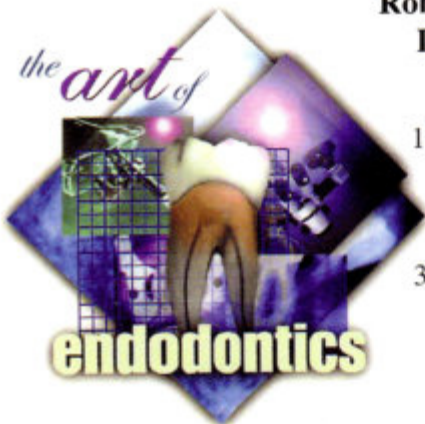
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