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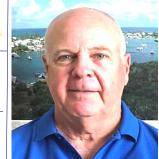
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As I sat down to write for the April FBYC newsletter I thought to myself, what a difference a month makes. A month ago, it was all about the club budget and recruitment. Covid-19 was a minor event in the United States. Now, we live in a world where it is hard to think of much other than Covid-19, it's impact on the entire planet, the United States, Florida and Flagler County. Many of our members are in the high risk group due to age and/or medical issues. I am certainly not going to offer any

medical advice but I will say, please take this seriously and protect yourself and those around you by following guidelines.

Now, onto FBYC business which of course is impacted by the virus. All club social and boating events have been canceled or postponed through May 9th due to Covid-19. Toni and Amy will give specifics on cancellations to date in their write ups. There may be more coming but we will wait a few weeks to see what the best course of action is.

When it comes to recruitment, Joel addresses specifics but we have a number of interested parties and have even received a couple of checks and applications to join. Normally, we require participation in a a few events prior to accepting a new member. Several were planning to attend the March General Meeting and social at Beachfront restaurant. I have proposed to the board that we consider making a few membership exceptions due to the Covid-19 caused cancelation of events.

PAST COMMODORES	1992-1993	Tom McBride	2004	George Barnett	2013	Randy Meyer
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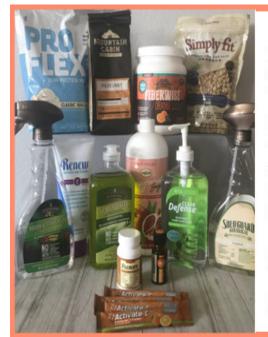
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If any of you have thoughts on that, pro or con, please send me an email at <u>alan55hen-dry@gmail.com</u>.

On a final note, there has been one interesting side effect of the virus and social distancing rules. I think boating has become the most popular event in Palm Coast/Flagler County. I can sit in the backyard and watch a steady stream of boats going by. It's like every day is is a holiday weekend. A friend that works at the Palm Coast Marina says he is pumping gas from the time his shift starts until it ends, weekdays included. So, if you haven't taken your boat out for a while, this is a good time to head out for a relaxing cruise around the canals or head over to Cimmeron Basin to anchor out for a happy hour or sunset. Perhaps a trip up to Matanzas. Just be extra careful, you won't be the only boat out there.



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Due to the Coronavirus we have had to cancel some of our events and meetings. The first of these was our Corned Beef and Cabbage meeting at the Beachfront Bar and Grill. We did have a great response from the membership with 70 having signed up. In addition, there were several prospective members signed up. Jaime the owner returned our check in full. He was so gracious to us. I told him that Frank and Vi Ruffalo are the leads for a social

there July 8th and if all is good, we will be there.

Our April Social at Oceanside along with our regular April Meeting (4/16) are cancelled.

The Steak Bake (5/9) has been postponed until further notice and our regular May Meeting (5/21) may be cancelled.

We will keep everyone informed about June events we get closer.

We will just have to see how all this goes down. We will keep everyone informed. One bright spot in all this is that ABC Liquor Store is still open.

Stay Well.





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In March, Alan and I walked the canals in Palm Coast and passed out over 1,000 FBYC brochures, we also put them in West Marine, Palm Coast Marina and other related businesses.

The response is very encouraging and we have approximately 10 new members interested in joining our club, hopefully once we get back to having our meetings, socials and maritime events we can welcome them to our club.

We also have a couple of new advertisements, JM Marine and Michelle Kelly's. Please check them out.

Another useful item on our home page (http://flaglerbeachyachtclub.com/) is the FBYC calendar of events where we have our meetings and activities posted.

We also encourage members to join our Flagler Beach Yacht Club Facebook page and post your photos.

Send me an email to join the group and I will get you in.

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Aboy to all! I will have to inform you of the next few cancellations of Maritime Events due to inclement weather and Covid-19 virus.

The **Critter Fleet Fishing Trip** scheduled for **Sunday March 8th 2020** - was cancelled due to 8 to 10 foot waves off of Ponce Inlet.

The **Blessing of the Fleet/Raft Up** scheduled for **Saturday April 4th 2020** at Cimmeron Basin - will be **POSTPONED** to a future date.

The **Steak Bake** scheduled for **Saturday May 9th 2020** at Herschel King Park - will be **POST-PONED** to a future date. This event was a joint venture with the Social Committee. A raft up was to be planned as well for this month.

The **New Smyrna Mini Vacation Trip** scheduled for **Thursday June 11th 2020 - Sunday June 14 2020** is planned and we are sure this will be a much needed trip to regroup with our members. Marsha Barry is the lead for this event. Marsha has reserved 6 slips at the New Smyrna Municipal Dock. Sign up will be available soon. You are not obligated to stay the entire time.

Available hotels in the area - call to make your own reservations:

Hampton Inn 214 Flagler Ave - 386-898-9444 - Many of us enjoyed this hotel last year.

Spring Hill Suites 512 Flagler Ave - 386 427-0512

Inn On the Avenue 3309 Flagler Ave - Bed & Breakfast 386 693-4808

Caribbean Jack's Maritime Event - Wed July 22 2020 - Thur July 23rd 2020

At this time this is an overnight event with a lunch at the on site restaurant. Further planning will be announced.



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Maritime Tips

Anchoring Etiquette: Rules of the Rode

Come In Slowly

Anchoring is kind of like moving into a new neighborhood. You want to make a good first impression so your new neighbors will invite you over for a drink and not call the local water police. Wakes are a no-no in any anchorage, so you want to come in very slowly and stately (plus it gives you more time to scope out the place and decide who you want for your temporary neighbor). When you're weaving your way through an anchorage, pass behind anchored boats; it's nerve-wracking to see someone passing right over where you know your anchor line is.

The First Boat Sets The Precedent

While there are no laws addressing priority, anchoring is traditionally on a first-come, firstserved basis. If there are lots of boats already there, your position is low man on the totem pole. Really, all that means is that boats that come in later need to respect the space needs and the 360-degree swinging room (with rode stretched out) of all the other boats there. If you arrive later, don't anchor too close to other boats, or in their swing radius.

It's perfectly OK — in fact it's preferred — to talk to your potential neighbors, whether a new boat coming in or already anchored. If you're gliding by looking to anchor near a boat and the owner is in the cockpit, compliment their boat and ask if they're OK with where you plan to anchor. Ask them where their anchor is and how much scope they have out. Perhaps ask about the bottom. Some are good and some are bad for holding. Everyone has his or her own social limits. They might have multiple anchors out or maybe your neighbor is waiting for another boat to raft up with them. So just say thanks, let it go, and move on to the next potential spot. Conversely, don't put out more than 5-to-1 scope unless it's really needed; otherwise you will swing over on top of another boat if the wind should shift. If everyone uses this same 5-to-1 ratio, an anchorage of boats should swing around together. Always drop your hook behind the stern of a neighbor's boat, never alongside it; this ensures that you'll both swing in your own circles.

This article is from Boat US Magazine Dec 2017, with some editing from your FC.

FBYC, while rafting together, we request the larger vessels to be in the middle and set their anchor. It is also a good idea to have every two or three vessels set an anchor as well.

FLAGLER BEACH YACHT CLUB FACEBOOK GROUP

FUN....FRIENDSHIP....BOATING

Did you know that the Flagler Beach Yacht Club has a Facebook Group? The purpose of our Facebook Group is to allow members to post comments and share all their pictures of events sponsored by the club as well as personal content such as vacations, trips, family events, etc.

Don't miss out on all the fun. Come take a look and if you like what you see press the JOIN button. You will soon be approved and ready to view all the comments and pictures members have posted and be able to post your own content and pictures to share with others.

To join us write down the following link and enter in the search bar: <u>https://www.facebook.com/</u>groups/1414750305491695/

Contact Jerry Imbriani at jimbriani@sbcglobal.net or Joel Houslander at jchous@comcast.net

if you need assistance.



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

FBYC April Birthdays:

Claudia Towne April 6

Bill Luke April 29

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We will have the Ship Store set up at the meeting. You are welcome to purchase items from our inventory or place an order for merchandise. We will have the catalog with us at the meetings if you would like to see all the different options. We ask you to be certain of your size and color when making a purchase, as there are no refunds, returns, or exchanges. All orders must be paid for at the time of purchase.

See Dawn Bird or Doris Houslander for more information.

Remember too that you can always bring in your own item for embroidery for the low cost of \$9 for the club burgee, \$6 for a second line and \$3 for a third line of embroidery. And if sparkle is your thing you can have crystals added to your shirt for \$10.

Another option is to visit the store where we purchase our items to try on clothing for size or browse other products. Joe knows FBYC and will help you make the best choice for your needs. Visit him at:

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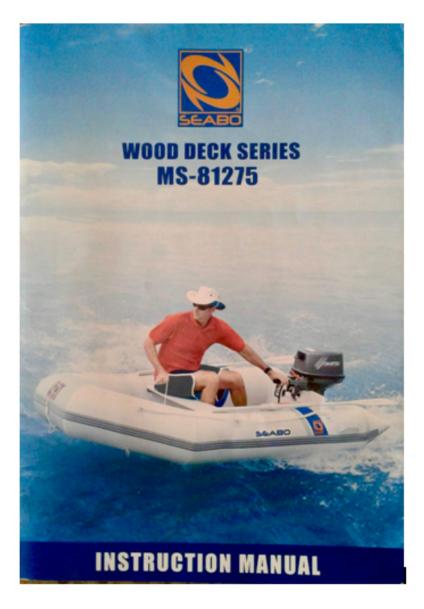




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