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The board has been approved the 2020 FBYC operating budget. This included holding a special meeting on Feb. 6th solely focused on the budget. We have developed a fiscally prudent budget which includes a little belt tightening for reasons explained below.

maintenance, etc.

Approximately three quarters of our budget goes to fixed costs, storage space, internet/web services, liability Insurance, cost for use of the church hall, P.O Box, AED

Our membership is down from 150 a couple years ago to 131 today. There are now 12 lifetime members that do not pay dues leaving 119 members to pay all of the fixed costs. This leaves a relatively small portion of our budget to spend on activities. Over the last two years we have spent \$3,000 more than we took in. It is not sustainable for long.

This leads me to recruitment. As previously stated, our membership is down from 150 a couple years ago to 131 now. There were 4 boat clubs in Flagler a few years ago including the FBYC. There are only three left and at least one of those nearly folded this year due to aging membership and their failure to attract new members. As we all know, another was forced to sell their building due to aging and declining membership. Over the past couple of years FBYC has not attracted many new members. These other clubs are the future for us if we don't take action now to ensure the FBYC is still viable in 20 years. Joel and I will be leading an effort to recruit

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PAST COMMODORES



1992-1993	Tom McBride	2004	George Barnett	2013	Randy Meyer
1994	Ed Finney	2005	Pete Poole	2014	Len Dignard
1995-1996	Tom Johns	2006-2007	Mike Cocchiola	2015	Bob Jaeger
1997-1998	Denis Thornton	2008	Claudia Towne	2016	Joe Lindholm
1999-2000	John Darrow	2009	Jane Gaulding	2017	John Green
2001	Paul Van Buren	2010	Dee Cocchiola	2018	Cindy Franco
2002	Howard Graves	2011	Rich Franco	2019	Jeanne Meyer
2003	Pat Slattery	2012	Greg Hansen		

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new members. The board has approved some funds for informational brochure which you will be seeing soon. We would like your assistance in recruitment also. If you have a neighbor, a friend or just run into someone that is a boater, take a moment to talk about the club. We are looking for active boaters. With our efforts and your help, we can ensure the long term survival of our club.

St. Patrick's Day at the March 19th General Meeting. Toni will cover specifics below but If you read the blast a couple weeks ago, or attended the February meeting, you know the meeting will be held a 5:00 PM at Beachfront Restaurant. The St. Patrick's event in the past, although a good time, was an enormous undertaking. We wanted to try something different with less of a workload. I hope everyone enjoys it but would also appreciate some feedback after the event.

Save the date! The Commodore's Ball/Holiday Party will be on December 9th at Channel Side in Palm Coast. It is on the FBYC Google Calendar.



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FBYC Social News

Our March meeting and annual Corned Beef Dinner is going to be held at Beachfront Bar and Grill in Flagler Beach. There will be a choice of Corned Beef, Chicken or Fish for the price of \$11.00pp including tax, tip and sodas. The cutoff date for this meeting is Monday Mar.9th. I will need all the monies by that date. If you haven't signed up and want to attend please call me at 386-283-5259. There will be a 50/50 and a surprise raffle.

The April meeting is going to be a Chinese Auction. Jeanne Meyer is the lead and she is asking for volunteers to help out. Please look through your closets for some great things to donate to the auction. One item per couple please. We are asked to bring a Chinese (or related) Finger Food. A sign-up sheet will be at the March meeting at Beachfront.

The May meeting will be BRING YOUR FAVORITE DIP. Doris Houslander (again) will be the lead. There will be a sign-up sheet for this also at Beachfront.

The May Social is our ever popular Steak Bake. Mike Triano and Len Dignard are the leads. The club provides the steaks and the corn and we are asked to bring a dish or dessert to share. Mike and Len will be looking for volunteers to help with set-up, cooking and clean-up.

Here's to the next fun filled months.



We all had a great time at the February Social at Highjackers. Many enjoyed the outside patio. 57 members were in attendance.

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This past February meeting was Pie Night. Doris Houslander was the lead and her “BAND OF MERRY MEN” served up many delicious pies. Thanks to all of you who brought those fabulous pies..



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We are actively recruiting new boating members and currently we have 131 active members with 42 boats in the club.

73 club members are on the social committee and 58 are on the maritime. I have updated the member committee lists and added it to the FBYC Boat list on our website. If you want to change committees, just let me know. Don't forget to update your information as it changes.

FBYC Master List and the FBYC Boat List are on our web site at <http://flaglerbeachyachtclub.com/> .

Another useful item on our home page 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.

Rear Commodore – Joel Houslander



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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 already posted of recent and future events.

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

Contact Jerry Imbriani at imbriani@sbcglobal.net or Joel Houslander at jchous@comcast.net if you need assistance.



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Maritime Moments

The February FBYC Maritime event on the Dine and Cruise in Daytona Beach, Florida was attended by 34 members. Many thanks to Lydia Manoni for leading our Yacht Club to a wonderful day. We were lucky to have “calm seas and gentle breezes” during our trip.

In an effort to attract new members, this event was also attended by 28 members of the Flagler Sport Fishing Club. This idea has already brought two possible members, with two boats.



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Our next FBYC Maritime Event will be:

Critter Fleet Fishing Boat - Sunday March 8th - 7:00 am - noon

Critter Fleet - 4950 S. Peninsula Dr Ponce Inlet, Fl 32127 (386) 767-7676

This event will also be attended by The Flagler Sport Fishing Club. Great idea to make new friends and learn great tips from the pros!

THE BOAT TIMES ARE 7:00AM TO NOON - REMEMBER DAY LIGHT SAVINGS TIME IS IN EFFECT!!!!!!!

Please arrive at least 45 minutes prior to departure. There is a snack bar on board. Fishing gear is provided. It is suggested attendees bring a small cooler with snacks/lunch. Adult beverages are also welcome, please no glass.

Our April FBYC Maritime event will be:

The Blessing of The Fleet - Saturday April 4th 1:00pm to 4:00pm. Cimmeron Basin

This year we will incorporate a **Raft Up** and will have our Blessing while rafted together.

Our May FBYC Maritime/Social Event will be:

Steak Bake - Herschel King Park - 1000 Grady Prather Jr Cove - 12:00pm

Mike Triano is the lead. More information to follow. This event is a combined Maritime/Social event. Smaller sized vessels are welcome to dock. For our larger vessels, after further inquires, safety of the vessels and tides, we will leave it up to the captain's discretion if they want to dock their vessels at the park. There will also be a Raft Up in Cimmeron in May.

Maritime Tips: Extra tips we may have forgotten

Florida Recreational Boating Requirements: Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Comm

Life Preservers: We all know all recreational vessels must carry on board at least one wearable-type life jacket for each person on your vessel. Also, 16 feet or greater (except canoes and kayaks) must carry one Type IV throwable preserver.

While on Florida waters, children under six years of age must wear a PFD of proper size while on board a vessel under 26 feet in length while underway. "Underway" means any time except when the vessel is anchored, moored, docked. New York state requires all children 11 and younger must wear a USCG approved life jacket while aboard a boat 65 feet in length or less.

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I personally wonder why each state has such different requirements, especially when it pertains to children.

Fire Extinguishers: All recreational vessels must carry approved fire extinguishers. Vessels less than 26 feet in length, propelled by outboard motors, of open construction which will not permit the entrapment of explosive or flammable capers and not carrying passengers for hire are exempt.

Sound Producing Devices: All vessels must carry a whistle or horn. This means it must be capable of producing a constant blast of at least six seconds and audible for at least one-half mile. Vessels 65 ft in length must carry a bell.

Vessel Registration: When you buy a vessel, you have 30 days from the date of purchase to have the registration numbers and decal properly displayed. Until your vessel is registered and numbered, or until the registration is changed, you must carry your bill of sale on board.

Boating Accident Reporting: abbreviated version: When there is personal injury requiring treatment beyond immediate first aid, death, disappearance, damage to the vessel of at least \$2,000, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, and/or the Sheriff of the county must be notified.

Boat US Members:

Free on line Boating Safety Courses. There are also paid course that can be taken on line. I will be looking at the GPS course for a nominal fee, I will let you know how it is. Classes are the best way to keep us and our family informed and remind of the laws. BOATUS.ORG/COURSELINE.

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

FBYC March Birthdays:

Cindy Franco	March 1 st
AmyBeth Krisanda	March 3 rd
Doreen Anderson	March 5 th
Eric Anderson	March 7 th
Sherry Lipari	March 9 th
John Burek	March 10 th
Susan Bereda	March 10 th
Karen Sirbu	March 10 th
Eileen McSherry	March 13 th
Michelle Kelly	March 20 th
Nancy Oakes	March 23 rd
Jeanne Florio	March 24 th
Jill Hunt	March 25 th
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FBYC SHIP'S STORE



Welcome to the FBYC Ship Store

Welcome to the FBYC Ship Store. We will have the table set up at the meeting in February to display our remaining inventory. You are welcome to purchase items from the table 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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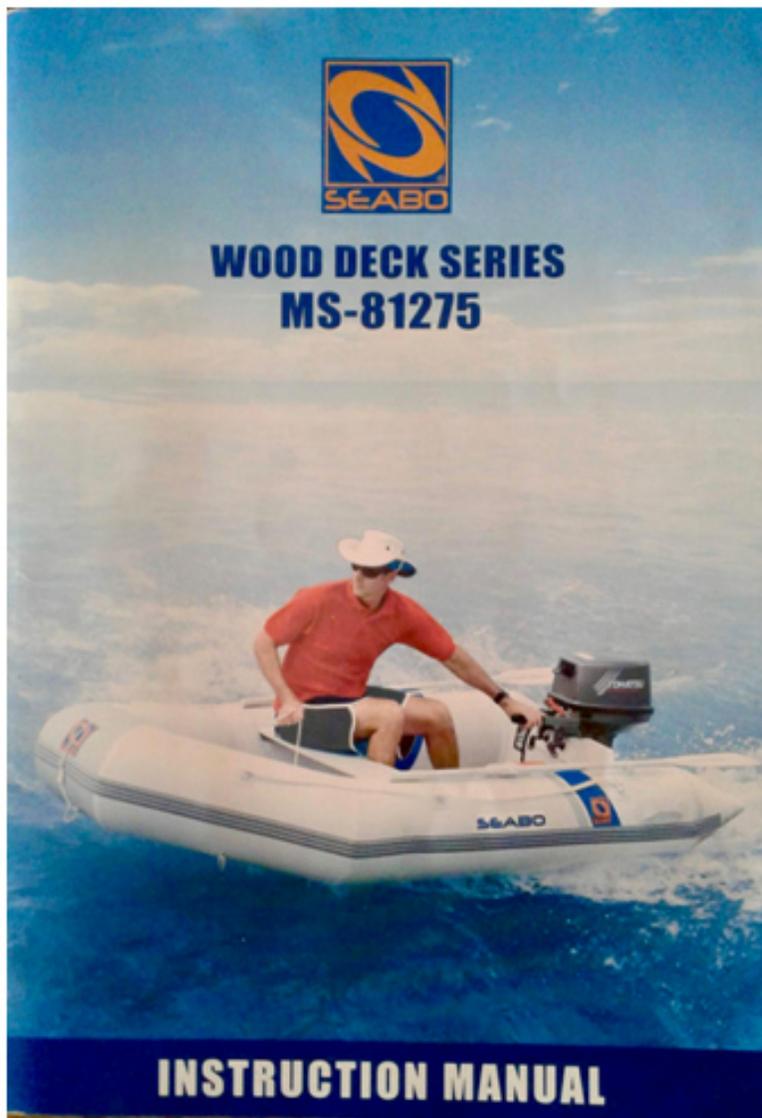


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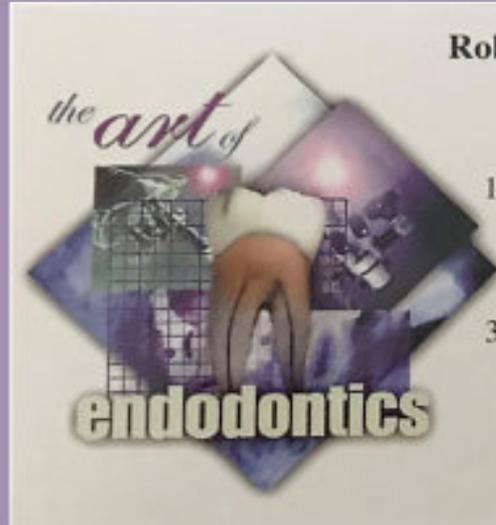
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