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Commodore's Corner – Alan Hendry

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Hello FBYC Members, with August behind us, maybe we will begin to see a slight cool down in temperatures. August also seems to have been the month where Floridians altered their behaviors enough that we are seeing a drop in Covid cases and deaths. Let's all hope the trend continues. We will continue to have activities with a focus on being outdoors.

We did have two socially distanced boating events at

Matanzas in August. One was planned for months and worked out so well we decided to do it again. I know many of you have used your boats quite a bit over the past few months, they are a great way to get out without exposing yourself to a crowd. Consider joining this event next time it is announced.

Janet and I took our boat to Fernandina Beach (Amelia Island) in August. The Fernandina Harbor Marina reopened a few months ago after a slow rebuild from Hurricane Matthew. The marina turned out nice and of course the town is hard to beat. We spent three nights and then stopped in St. Augustine for two. For anyone considering a boat or car trip to either location, I can tell you they are doing a good job in the restaurants and stores regarding masks and social distancing.

1992-1993 **Tom McBride** 2004 **George Barnett** 2013 **Randy Meyer PAST COMMODORES** 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** 2011 **Rich Franco** 2002 **Howard Graves** 2019 Jeanne Meyer 2012 **Greg Hansen** 2003 Pat Slattery

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September General Meeting: We are planning to hold a general meeting at **Betty Steflik Pavilion in Flagler Beach on September 17th**.

There are 14 large picnic tables there with enough room for two socially distanced couples at each table. That gives us space for 56 members. A few of us will bring lawn chairs in case we need overflow. Please wear a mask when you are not seated at a table. Mark your calendars now and BYOB and your own snacks.

The actual business part of the meeting will start about 7:00 PM with a social beginning around 6. You are welcome to arrive anytime 6 or later depending how much socializing you would like to do.

Commodores Ball: Now to something that really disappoints me to have to announce. The Commodores Ball is being canceled for this year. We were all set up for the Ball at Channel Side in Palm Coast as announced earlier in the year. At this point with Covid, I don't think an older group holding a four hour indoor event before we have a vaccine is a wise move. The FBYC Board unanimously agreed. With the unknowns about when there will be a vaccine available, we felt the best option is to skip the Ball this year and hold it at Channel Side next year. This will protect the Club's nonrefundable deposit.

Election Committee: As addressed in a recent blast, the election Committee has decided on a slate of candidates to nominate for the 2021 FBYC Board of Directors. The message below is from the Committee.

IAW FBYC By-Law 4.04(C), the 2020 Election Committee is required to publish the 2021 slate of nominated candidates for the FBYC Board of Directors in the September issue of the Relative Bearings Newsletter and email the same to the Club membership.

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On behalf of the Election Committee I respectfully submit our proposed 2021 Slate of Officers;		
Commodore – Joel Houslander		
Vice Commodore – Richard Sirbu		
Rear Commodore – Jim Kelly		
Fleet Captain – Amy Krisanda		
Secretary – Jeannie Nix		
Treasurer – Doris Houslander		
Past Commodore, Director – Alan Hendry		
Director – Jerry Imbriani		
IAW the FBYC By-Laws this slate will also be announced at the September 2020 General Member- ship Meeting.		
Members wishing to nominate anyone for any FBYC Board position may do so at the October 2020 General Membership Meeting.		
Elections will take place at the November 2020 General Membership Meeting.		
Len Dignard, Election Committee Chair		
Michelle Kelly, Election Committee Member		
Russ Jones, Election Committee Member		
Dale Anderson, Election Committee Member		



Vice Commodore — Toni Mincin

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Hi everyone,

It's September, where did the summer go? Oh that's right, it went to Covid 19!

The following is a list of events and Socials for September, October, and

November.

September

Tuesday September 22nd there is going to be a Social, at Oceanside in Flagler Beach, on the upper deck to the left of the bar 4-5:30. Contact me if you plan to attend. We are limited to 30 and the cut-off date is Tues. the 15th September. 386-283-5259

October

Our annual Golf outing and Social will be held Wednesday October 21st at Pine Lakes Golf Club and bar. The normal after golf social is very tentative at this time. We have been avoiding indoor events and they are at a significantly reduced capacity which would be less than what we usually have attend. We will keep you informed and may have to look for an alternate social on a different day. Randy Meyer and Kathy Imbriani are the leads for golf.

November

Wednesday November 4th we are having bowling and a Social on the outside patio at the Palm Coast Bowling alley 3-5. Jeanne Nix and Kris Richter are the leads.

I will have sign-up sheets at the September meeting for all of the above events.

We will of course keep everyone informed as to the status of these events.

Take care everyone.



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I am glad to see the club moving forward and planning maritime and social events. I realize during these special times our lives have been turned upside down, but I believe these events will give us some fun and socializing we all need.

We have many new members interested in joining our club, hopefully once we get back to having our regular meetings, socials and maritime events we can welcome them to our club.

Our new FBYC Brochure that Alan and I distributed has helped our recruiting efforts and will continue to positively promote FBYC around Flagler county. If you have friends that are interested in the club, we

have brochures available to hand out.

Please welcome new member Alan Lowe.

To keep up to date with all our activities you can visit our (http://flaglerbeachyachtclub.com/) FBYC calendar of events where we have our Meetings, Socials and Maritime posted. I also have updated the members/boat list.

Members can also join our Flagler Beach Yacht Club Facebook page and post photos of FBYC activities.

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

Rear Commodore – Joel Houslander



Melaleuca

During these times when even going to the coffee shop is frowned upon, I am so thankful for home delivery!

Melaleuca, an online shopping store, has over 500 products.

Everyday household essentials like: hand sanitizer, disinfectant, hand soap, bath and body, immune boosters, coffee, tea, granola bars, etc.... delivered to your door.

Please contact me with any questions or if you would like more information.

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Ahoy to all our FBYC members and friends! WE ARE BACK ON THE WATER!

For the second time, On August 12th, the FBYC was able to have a small gathering, this time at Matanzas/Snake Island. Approximately 5 vessels attended with 14 participants. I was told all had a wonderful time. Unfortunately I was unable to attend because I could not return to Florida due to the hurricane. The delay resulted in me returning a few

days before the event, requiring me to self quarantine. Thank you to Dale Anderson and our members for organizing the event. People enjoyed it enough that Marsha Barry suggested we do it again and she volunteered to be the lead. On August 27th 5-6 boats gathered again at Matanzas. There was an unplanned need to relocate due to a rising tide but reports are, everyone had a great time. Thank you Marsha.







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Our next event is Friday September 11th -13th 2020 at The Marina at Yacht Harbor.

The Social will be Friday at 5:00 pm, outside on the deck of the main lobby, in the pool area. BYOB and Bring your own Food for your enjoyment. We have made reservations for Boaters to stay the weekend. Please contact our Lead, Fred Ciaburri <u>fredciaburri@yahoo.com</u> to sign up for the social or to bring your boat. Contact Fred for further information. Thank you Fred for the years of work you have put into this event.

St Augustine Weekend - Friday October 23 - Sunday 25th 2020

Jim Kelly is lead for the event and has reserved four slips at the Municipal Marina. At this time we have the Kellys and myself signed up. If you would like to attend, Please email Jim jamesw.kelly@edgewell.com or myself at stageyourboatforsale@aol.com. Thank you Jim.

We have planned a **dock party around noon on Saturday October 24.** You are welcome to attend by vehicle, by boat for the day, or stay the weekend. You know the drill. Bring your own folding chairs, food and beverages for yourself and most important, bring your SMILES.. we miss you!

November Event - I am still in the planning stage due to Covid. I am looking into a day trip to St Augustine Lighthouse with cocktails and snacks after the event.

Schooner Freedom Charters - St Augustine. Jerry Imbriani has brought the information to the board. The option is still there if the Covid situation changes. Thank you Jerry.

December Christmas Caroling in the Canals - Saturday December 5th 2020.

Jim Kelly will be the Lead- jamesw.kelly@edgewell.com

The planning is in the works, the Holiday Season will be music and singing throughout the Canals. Maybe that cute Reindeer will visit again.

Sign up sheets and more information will be available at the Sept 17th meeting.



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The Following is from a BoatUS news release.

Enter to Win \$15,000:

BoatUS Foundation and Berkley Recast & Recycle Contest

Aims to increase fishing line and soft bait recycling

by tapping the public for ideas

ANNAPOLIS, Md., August 24, 2020 – Have you ever wondered how old, discarded fishing line is recycled and reused? You may be surprised to learn that turning fishing line into new products is labor intensive, requiring a series of workers to comb through, sort, clean, remove hooks and weights, and separate out miles of encrusted debris in entangled fishing line. There also aren't any recycling programs for fishing related materials like soft baits. There just has to be a better way. Click on the link below for more information and how to enter.

https://www.boatus.com/news-room/release/enter-to-win-15000-boatus-foundation-and-berk





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Maritime Tips



As your first time Fleet Captain, besides trying to organize Maritime events during the Covid crisis, I work diligently to find interesting articles for your Maritime Tips. You would not believe how much I read and type to give you informative and not boring information. Sometimes it works, sometimes it does not. Well, this story "Blew Up" and I had to share. Two weeks ago, Joe and I had decided to do a routine check of our vessel's equipment... we checked our four batteries, two house, two engine, which are under a hard fiberglass hatch. Everything looked fine. No corrosion, wires were secure, batteries clean.

Two weeks later, we started our engines, and there was a loud explosion. We were at a loss for a few minutes, checking and smelling for fumes. We looked at the battery panel, the display went down to 7. We opened the hatch to discover one of our engine batteries exploded. Acid covered the large compartment. The battery was just over two years old. If you look close at the picture, you can see the burn marks, the water caps missing and the top partly ripped off the battery.



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Jaime, (Jim) from JM Marine, who advertises in the FBYC newsletter, happened to hear the explosion from the Yacht Harbor parking lot.

We immediately hosed down the area, carefully wiping and cleaning the acid from the compartment. Jaime assisted us in pulling the exploded battery from the tight compartment. He said call Chrissy at the shop, I have your batteries in my shop. When one battery has to be replaced, it is advised to replace both engine batteries. Thank goodness, we had a very thick fiberglass enclosure for our batteries which saved us from serious injury.

We were heading up to stay in St Augustine for an overnight stay, so we could be at our Warranty Mechanic's location early in the morning. We knew we had at least a three hour "limping trip" north. Within two hours, we were on our way to a special warranty repair.

Another note - Jaime had his wife and business partner, Chrissy email us a few days earlier because one of our engines was half in the water, and half out. He wanted to make sure we were ok. Nice friends we have in our group.

I had an entire article about Battery Maintenance to deliver for you. I am sure you noticed I am a fan of Boat US Magazine articles. Fun Fact: Besides a great membership, my picture has been in many contests throughout the magazine. I will share at the next meeting.

This time I will spare you more reading. Anytime you want to inquire about a subject:

1: Google: Boat US Articles

2: First line that comes up, Archives: Boat US, press on that line

3: Go to the "enhanced search' Google box and press.

4: Type in "Marine Battery Maintenance" interesting reading about charging and over charging your batteries.

My articles may not be FBYC's responsibility or liability... It is a guide to our members.

Be safe and happy boating!

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.



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

FBYC September Birthdays:

Michael Triano	3 rd
Rich Sirbu	5 th
Tom Mumper	6^{th}
Ray Oakes	6^{th}
Len Dignard	8 th
Joe McSherry	10^{th}
Matt Wheaton	11 th
Carol Dignard	12 th
Tim Rippey	14 th
Ken Miller	16 th
Lou Thousand	16 th
Len Caso	19 th
Janet Clerke	19 th
Linda Hansen	28 th
Pat Staba	28 th









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