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At our January meeting the new FBYC Board of Directors were officially sworn in by PC Len Dignard. We all took the Oath of Office to promise our members that we will faithfully discharge the duties and responsibilities and actively support all club activities/events. We also have a fiduciary responsibility to our membership and to conform to the FBYC By-laws.



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PAST COMMODORES



1992-1993	Tom McBride	2005	Pete Poole	2013	Randy Meyer
1994	Ed Finney	2006-2007	Mike Cocchiola	2014	Len Dignard
1995-1996	Tom Johns	2008	Claudia Towne	2015	Bob Jaeger
1997-1998	Denis Thornton	2009	Jane Gaulding	2016	Joe Lindholm
1999-2000	John Darrow	2010	Dee Cocchiola	2017	John Green
2001	Paul Van Buren	2011	Rich Franco	2018	Cindy Franco
2002	Howard Graves	2012	Greg Hansen	2019	Jeanne Meyer
2003	Pat Slattery	2013	Randy Meyer	2020	Alan Hendry
2004	George Barnett	2014	Len Dignard		

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We started our January meeting with a variety of souper soups and salads, all prepared by the new board, I believe all who attended enjoyed the delicious food.

We can continue to look forward to our monthly meetings having themes, food and fun.





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We also discussed a variety of social and maritime ideas that Rich and Amy covered in detail during their presentations, we will continue to navigate through Covid and focus on outdoor social and maritime events. My goal this year is to continue to enhance our membership experience with enjoyable meetings, socials and increasing the emphasis on water-based activities. We are off to a good start this year with new membership, we officially inducted Lori and Steve Plump to the FBYC family and they brought two new applicants, Daisy and Tom Lucci.

Our next Meeting is Saturday February 20th at Betty Steflik, social starts @3:00pm it's a Valentine theme with Sweets and Fruits provided by the club. I am asking members who are planning to attend to RSVP back to me at 224-337-8784 or email, jchous@comcast.net



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FBYC Social News

We had a wonderful turnout for the January meeting. The soups and salads were a big hit and we will continue to provide food and maybe some entertainment at the upcoming meetings. My THANKS to the new FBYC Board members for making and serving our members.

For the coming months the schedule is as follows.

February's Meeting Saturday 2/20/21 at 3:00pm, Betty Stelik Park, Valentine Day Theme and we will be serving SWEETS and FRUITS.

March's Meeting Thursday 3/18/21 at 6:00pm, Betty Stelik Park, St. Patricks Day Theme and we will be serving Irish foods.

April's meeting Thursday 4/15/21 at 6:00pm, Betty Stelik April Fools Day theme and Hot Dogs will be served. Jack Cohen will be the lead.

Photography: Signup sheets will be available for a 4-week course to help improve our photo prowess and composition at taking photos. We will be utilizing the talents of Katerina from Photography Palm Coast every Monday.

Putt-Putt Golf at Pirates Cove is set for March 3rd. A signup sheet will also be available at the February meeting.

No golf expertise necessary...it's just fun. This is our first Commodores Event of the year.

We are also preparing "A Ladies Day of Pampering" event at a local vendors with special Pricing for FBYC ladies. More to follow in the following months.

Bowling. We are looking for anyone who wants to participate in weekly bowling here in Palm Coast as we have done in past years.

This is just the beginning of the numerous events that we are looking to initiate throughout 2021. We'll keep you posted so that you can make your plans accordingly.

Rich Sirbu

Vice Commodore

Rear Commodore - James Kelly, Jr.

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Hope everyone had a good start to 2021. Welcome to February. January was a good month, we had our monthly meeting with some good soup and salads but on top of that we welcomed in two new members, Steve, and Lori Plump. Steve and Lori also brought potential new members Daisy and Tom Lucci to the January meeting, they did submit new membership applications and once they complete three FBYC events I am sure the board will elect them into the club.



I have not received any phone calls or emails this past month letting me know that the info on the website is incorrect, so I am going to assume that our list is correct. If any of the info is wrong please reach out to me.

Thank you,

Rear Commodore, Jim Kelly



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Maritime Moments

Ahoy to our FBYC family!

The weather has been turning into beautiful days to enjoy the outdoors. We are working diligently to encompass fun and educational events for our club.

On Saturday, February 13th, 2021 FBYC will enjoy the St John's River Cruise at Blue Springs State Park. The cruise boats usually carry 60 people, due to COVID the boat is limited to 20. After the Cruise, we are going to the Half Wall Beer House located at 105 W Indiana Ave., Deland, Florida 386 740-7720.

Since we have 20 members signed up for the 13th, we are considering a future cruise at the end of February, if you did not sign up for the February 13th cruise but would like to go please let me know.

Sunday March 14th, 2021 - 11:00 am we are planning the Blessing of the fleet at Cimmarron Basin. We are discussing the logistics for this event and will have a Social after the ceremony.

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pre-departure checklist

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICES (PFDs)

- ☐ Have onboard one PFD per passenger, minimum of two
- ☐ Have onboard a throwable device (for vessels larger than 16 ft.)
- ☐ Discuss proper use/location of PFDs

SOUND PRODUCING DEVICES

- ☐ Have onboard a horn that can emit a four-second blast audible for 1/2 mile
- ☐ Bring a spare can of air or an alternate device
- ☐ Attach a whistle to each PFD

LIGHTS & SHAPES

- ☐ Test navigation lights
- ☐ Check instrument lights
- ☐ Be sure to use day-shapes (mast-head signals) if your boating activities require day-shapes
- ☐ Bring a flashlight and spare batteries

DISTRESS SIGNALS

- ☐ Ensure that flares, day signals, etc., are accessible and stored in a dry location
- ☐ Discuss location, proper use and safety rules

TOOLS & SPARES

- ☐ Be sure to have a basic toolbox with boat-appropriate tools
- ☐ Be sure to bring a spare fuel filter, light bulbs, head parts, through-hull plugs, etc.

FUEL & OIL

- ☐ Check fuel levels
- ☐ Check the engine oil and coolant levels

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

- ☐ Make sure you have a fully charged, accessible fire extinguisher(s) as specified in Coast Guard rules
- ☐ Ensure mounts are secure and functional
- ☐ Discuss location with passengers and crew

VENTILATION

- ☐ On any powered vessel or vessels using LPG, check that interior spaces are well ventilated
- ☐ If you smell fuel before ventilating, run blowers for several minutes and re-check before starting
- ☐ If odors persist, shut down the engine and look for the source of the leak

BILGES

- ☐ Ensure bilges are reasonably dry and pumps are not running excessively
- ☐ Clean any spilled oil or waste in bilges to prevent overboard discharge

WEATHER FORECAST

- ☐ Check the weather forecast before departure
- ☐ Have portable radio onboard for weather updates

BATTERY CARE

- ☐ For dual charging systems, check that the selector switch is in the proper position
- ☐ Ensure power is on to the entire vessel
- ☐ Bring spare batteries for handheld radio, flashlight, portable navigational aid, etc.
- ☐ Ensure rechargeable batteries are charged

DOCKING & ANCHORING TIPS

- ☐ Be sure to have one anchor set up and bent-on the anchor line
- ☐ Bring two or three extra dock lines
- ☐ Visually inspect lines for chafe or wear
- ☐ Bring fenders (minimum 2) for docking or towing

RULES & DOCUMENTATION

- ☐ Bring ship's papers, radio license, fishing permit, etc.
- ☐ Bring chart(s) for the area you intend to cruise

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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: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1414750305491695/>

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



I have volunteered and been selected to the position of Director of the FBYC Board of Directors. My responsibilities are to represent the FBYC Members at all Board of Directors meetings. I will vote and act in the interest of the general membership. Please feel free to approach me any time with your ideas or recommendations. I will take your ideas to the Board for consideration. In addition to the monthly meetings I can be reached at (386) 264-5730, or Jimbriani@sbcglobal.net.



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February Birthdays:

Joel Houslander	5 – Feb
Philip Anninos	7 – Feb
Sandra Garcia	7 – Feb
Kathy Imbriani	7 – Feb
Danielle Pierro	9 – Feb
Marsha Barry	16 – Feb

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FBYC Ship Store

Does your Sweetie need a new hat or T-shirt? The Ship Store will be open at the February meeting, check out the new baseball hats with the flex fit feature. There will also be some limited inventory available for purchase and of course you can order your favorite item in your choice of color and style.

Remember too that you can always bring in your own item for embroidery for the low cost of \$10 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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♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

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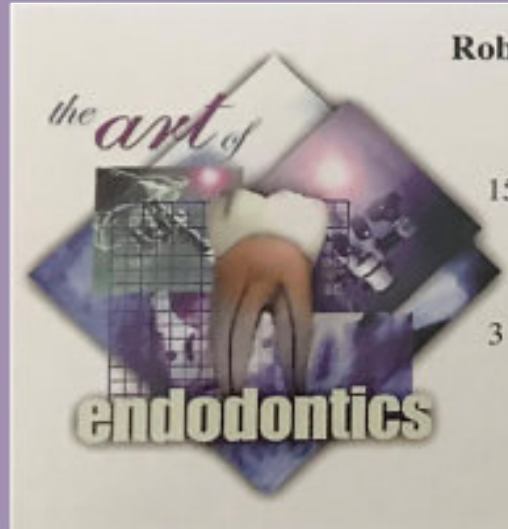
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