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# Commodore's Corner – Joel Houslander

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Happy New Year, did you know our club is celebrating our 29<sup>th</sup> year on May 21st! Yes, 29 years of Fun... Friendship...Boating and making friends.

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I wanted to thank the 2020 board, Commodore Alan Hendry, Vice Commodore Toni Mincin, Fleet Captain Amy Krisanda, Secretary Susan Moya, Treasurer Sandy Ostresh, Directory Jim Kelly and Past Commodore Jeanne Meyer for their dedication to the club, 2020 was a challenging year, but they navigated the club throughout the year and provided the member-

ship with lots of friendly events.

Our First General Meeting (Souperbowl) this year will be on Saturday January 16<sup>th</sup> at Betty Steflik Pavilion, social starts @3:00pm with the meeting starting @4:00pm. The new board will be inducted and also be serving delicious soup along with Salad and French bread, so we know how much soup to make we will need all members who will be attending to send me an email back (<u>ichous@comcast.net</u> or call me @224-337-8784) so we can plan accordingly.

The Board has decided (Due to Covid) not to have the January planning meetings for the Social and Maritime committees. We will have these meetings later in the year after the vaccines have been administered. In lieu of these meetings the Board is moving forward with planning events, Rich and Amy will detail these in their articles.

PAST COMMODORES	1992-1993	Tom McBride	2005	Pete Poole	2013	Randy Meyer
TAST COMMODORES	1994	Ed Finney	2006-2007	Mike Cocchiola	2014	Len Dignard
	1995-1996	Tom Johns	2008	Claudia Towne	2015	<b>Bob Jaeger</b>
t or	1997-1998	<b>Denis Thornton</b>	2009	Jane Gaulding	2016	Joe Lindholm
	1999-2000	John Darrow	2010	Dee Cocchiola	2017	John Green
* 00	2001	Paul Van Buren	2011	<b>Rich Franco</b>	2018	<b>Cindy Franco</b>
	2002	<b>Howard Graves</b>	2012	Greg Hansen	2019	Jeanne Meyer
	2003	Pat Slattery	2013	<b>Randy Meyer</b>	2020	Alan Hendry
	2004	George Barnett	2014	Len Dignard		



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I am confident we will have a variety of fun maritime and social activities that bring our members together through the year.

I am honored to lead this club per the FBYC Bylaws and look forward to seeing everyone soon either on the water or at social events.





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Happy New Year to our fellow FBYC members.

2021 is hopefully going to bring us out of the Covid crisis. I'm looking forward to seeing all of you and getting to know you better throughout

the year. We are planning a variety of social events that are outside to reduce the chances of contracting covid...SAFETY FIRST!

Our goal is to make it fun as we have had in past 29 years. We are hoping to bring back food to our monthly meetings. Our January meeting will feature home-made soups and salads created by your new board members families. The meeting theme will be Super Bowl. Please wear your favorite team jersey, hats, colors, etc., if you want to.

January 27<sup>th</sup> Event: St. Augustine Lighthouse Tour Time 11:00am-1:00pm followed by lunch at the Conch House restaurant time 1:15-3:30pm Signup at the meeting.

We are also looking at future events including picnics, Ladies events, sporting events, day trips, dining, fishing days, photography classes with photo shoot days, cruising family events and more.

We are also looking to combine some day trips in conjunction with select maritime events. More info will follow.

Moving ahead for our mutual enjoyment & fun, we will be looking to our membership to provide your ideas for events that you would like to participate in. Boating and Social events are a fun way to meet new members. They could also be used to introduce new potential members. It's all part of getting more from your FBYC membership.



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Happy New Year. I hope everyone is ready for 2021, I know I am. I want to thank everyone for allowing me to be the new Rear Commodore. I would like to thank Joel for all the work he did last year as well as the entire 2020 Board. They did a remarkable job keeping the club together throughout an interesting year. I will be continuing in recruiting new members this year, despite the fact we are still dealing with a pandemic. Hopefully once the vaccine gets distributed, we can have more events and have some fun.

If everyone could please look at the member list and boat owner list on the website and send me any info that might need to be updated. Please send any updates to jameswkefbyc@gmail.com

Please make sure you check the calendar on the web site as well for information on Meetings, Socials, and Maritime events.

Thank you

Rear Commodore, Jim Kelly





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Aboy to our FBYC family!

On Saturday December 5, 2020, FBYC and the Palm Coast community enjoyed our Caroling on the Canals. Below is the map which our Lead Jim Kelly planned for us. It seems every year our event gets better and better... can't wait for next year!

The Flagler Beach Yacht Club will be doing their annual Caroling on the Canals again this year. We will be caroling in the C and F sections off the main canal from the marina on December 5<sup>th</sup> starting at 11:30AM. This year Flagler Surf 97.3 FM will be broadcasting our carols so everyone on shore can sing along. We have attached the route and approximate times that we will be passing by on the canals. Please keep in mind these are approximate times. We look forward to seeing everyone while we spread some holiday cheer.





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#### Our next event will be Wednesday January 27th at the St Augustine Light House

The self guided tour of the Light House will be from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Adults \$12.95 - Seniors \$10.95. Meet me at the entrance and we should receive an additional discount with my Membership.

GPS Address: 100 Red Cox Road St Augustine Fl

You are more than welcome to remain at the Light House as long as you like... but you may miss our Social at the Conch House from 1:15 pm to 3:30pm

Address: 57 Comares Ave St Augustine Fl - just 5 minutes from the Light House.

These events are casual, on your own, and are outdoor experiences, all at your leisure.

A sign up sheet for the Light House visit and a separate sign up sheet for the Conch House will be at the January Meeting or You can email me at stageyourboatforsale@aol.com - to sign up as well

Amy Beth Krisanda



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# **Maritime Tips**

# Preparing for a USCG Auxiliary

# **Courtesy Inspection**



Have you ever noticed the decals on the side of a mast that identify a USCG Auxiliary inspected vessel? Have you ever wondered what that was about and if you should get one? The simple answer is yes, you should, for two reasons. The first reason is that the inspection is free of charge and designed to help you comply with current national and local regulations, which will help you avoid a citation and fines should the US Coast Guard board your vessel for an inspection (which they do with some frequency). The second reason is to help ensure the safety of your vessel by making sure you have what you need to deal with an emergency.



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The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary offers free courtesy inspections to boaters who wish to ensure that their boat and equipment meets all federal and state safety requirements. The vessel examiners who perform these examinations are specially trained and informed on the latest legal requirements, but they have no legal authority. The goal is to prevent boaters from receiving equipment-related citations from the Coast Guard and to prevent accidents by promoting vessel safety.

These inspections are intended to be an educational experience. The vessel examiners check that all required safety items are onboard and in good working order. If they find everything in compliance, they will award a decal to affix to your boat. If not, they will review any violations and discuss how to comply. If requested, they will also review the proper use of any safety equipment, such as life saving devices and fire extinguishers.

To find out when inspections are scheduled for your area, contact the Department of Information and Communication Services via e-mail at webmaster@cgaux.org or call Coast Guard Customer Infoline at 1-800-368-5647. If you have a group interested in organizing a local inspection, you may be able to arrange for a special appointment. The website shared by the USCG Auxiliary and the US Power Squadron is a good one for preparing yourself and your vessel for an inspection. They have information on all the requirements to help you prepare, a listing of the items that most often cause a boat to fail an inspection, and contact information for arranging an inspection in your area. Click on the link below.

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#### 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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# Vessel Safety Check/Required Equipment List

NUMBERING (for registered vessels) NAME and hailing port for documented vessels - Proper spacing, minimum 3" block letters, visible color

REGISTRATION/DOCUMENTATION - Papers must be original, on board and current

NAVIGATION LIGHTS - Must operate and show proper configuration

SOUND PRODUCING DEVICE - Hom, whistle, or other device

BELL - Boats 20m [65.6 ft.] or longer

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (PFD) -One wearable for each passenger, minimum of 2. Boats 16+ ft also one type IV thowable

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS - Mounted, current tag, minimum for size & type of boat (HALON/FE241/CO2)

VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS (VDS) INLAND - Flag, Signal light, etc.

VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS (VDS) INTERNATIONAL - Minimum flares/aerial rockets or approved signals, not expired

BACKFIRE FLAME ARRESTER - Approved type, tight installation, clean



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VENTILATION - For closed compartments with potential for explosive vapors and an ignition source. Installed blower must work - warning posted

FUEL SYSTEM - Tanks secure. Over 7 gal are considered permanent & must be grounded and vented. Hoses in good condition, no leaks

ANCHOR & ANCHOR LINE - Suitable for the boat and the boating area

ALTERNATE PROPULSION - Boats under 16 ft, paddle, oar, etc.

DEWATERING DEVICE - Pumps must work, extra manual bailer

OVERALL VESSEL CONDITION - Bilge & equipment room clean, well maintained. Not overloaded or overpowered, no auto parts

ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS - Batteries secure, terminals covered, well-organized wiring, proper fuses/circuit breakers

GALLEY/HEATING SYSTEMS - Secure system, proper tank installation. No flammable material nearby

MARINE SANITATION DEVICE - Approved, overboard discharge sealed

MARPOL TRASH PLACARD - Boat 26 ft +, written plan 40 ft +

POLLUTION PLACARD - Boat 26 ft & over, w/machinery compartment

NAVIGATION RULES - Boats 12m (39.4 ft) and over

STATE REQUIREMENTS - Comply with all safety requirements

#### Additional items

The following items are not a requirement for the decal. Instead, these additional items are required under Federal and State laws. The Vessel Examiner checks these item to assist the boater in determining if the vessel meets the requirements of these laws.



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CAPACITY PLATE - Visible, monohull power boats, under 20 ft

CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE LABEL - Monohull power boats under 20 ft, w/installed engines, except outboards, manufactured after 10/31/72

HULL ID NUMBER - All boats manufactured after 10/31/72



## 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.



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

Liz Caisse	3-Jan
Susie Moya	4-Jan
Anita Jennings	4-Jan
Frank Ruffalo	5-Jan
Ed Uribe	6-Jan
Pete Maric	8-Jan
Carol Triano	13-Jan
Carol Epstein	15-Jan
Linda Jaeger	15-Jan
Rich Gaulding	17-Jan
Violet Ruffalo	19-Jan
Carolyn Marich	23-Jan
Dedem Burek	26-Jan
Don Richter	29-Jan



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# **FBYC Ship Store**

Happy New Year!!

Did Santa leave FBYC merchandise under the tree for you? If not, visit the Ship Store for your personalized t-shirt, hat, car sticker, etc.

Remember 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:

U Name It 10 Hargrove Grade Palm Coast, FL 32137 Website: <u>https://www.unameitapparel.com</u>



Enjoy your holiday season.

If you have questions or would like to place an order at any time, please contact me at:

Doris Houslander at 847-826-6851; email: houslander@comcast.net



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