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Commodore's Corner — Richard Sirbu Commadore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com



Our January Board meeting established our FBYC Master goals for 2022 and our hopefully our future foundation. We are working very hard and pulling together as a TEAM to make new things happen that should add many **NEW BENEFITS to FBYC** membership...**at no additional cost.** We established our **GOALS,** then approved individual goals for each Board member to contribute toward their achievement of one of the master goals.

The January meeting was cancelled due to very cold and poor weather. The Board will be sworn in at the February meeting. In the future we will have our meetings indoors at the church with or without food.

At the February meeting each board member will explain their individual goals and group goals for Social, Maritime, Financial, Membership, Reporting, and Directors. These were spelled out, with the ability to change as needed, but with a positive foundation for all members being able to participate throughout the entire 2022 season. These activities will be presented with monthly and quarterly plans presented for members to select and participate in preferred events.

Please welcome **NEW MEMBERS -Victoria Roach and Harold Bolton, Don & Debbie Smith, and Ilysa and David Pinette, and Darla and Rick Allison.**

Our Rear Commodore has established a wonderful pipeline so please make yourselves known to our new and future FBYC Boating Members. They will be inducted at the February Meeting which was cancelled due to weather.

COVID: We have had a new arrival to FBYC...COVID. We are doing everything that we can to be sure to keep Covid away from spreading. If you catch it please get tested and see a doctor immediately. They have options available with medications and therapies that should help with a quick recovery. Also, **PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASKS** at all FBYC indoor functions to help everyone stay safe.

GENERAL MEETING LOCATION CHANGE: We wanted to continue with food serving at all meetings. However, Santa Maria del Mar has stopped any food service your for this month at the Church.

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Also, remember to wear your masks as much as possible. We will keep you informed on future locations as the decisions are presented to us.

March General Meeting: Due to the timing required for establishing our March Maritime event conflicts with the General Meeting scheduled for March 17th, we have decided to move the **March General Meeting** date to **March 10th**. We will be able to use Santa Maria del Mar church. The events will begin at 6 pm for food, If allowed, and 7 pm for the meeting. If that changes then we will keep you all updated.

SuperBowl/Bless America: This is Our Country celebrating one of our favorite past time events. Sorry we missed wearing our favorite teams jersey's. A lot of upsets took place. By the time you read this we will know who the Superbowl teams will be.



NIGHT of LIGHTS/TROLLEY RIDE: My thanks to Doris Houslander for coordinating this annual event.

Here are a few of the folks that braved the cold weather.





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Board Meeting Summary: The Board reviewed and approved the following.

Annual FBYC Goals, 2022 Operating Budget, (8) New Members, Board Member Individual Goals, creating a New Member Immersion Program, and Reviewing a New Added Benefits Program for All Members, A Date Change for the March General Meeting (March 10) due to a date revision for the Maritime event at Fernandina Beach, and the cancellation of the January meeting. We also approved a donation to the Radio Station for their help with the playing of Christmas Carols during the December Caroling on the Canals event. We further approved Funding for Pads, Belts, and a First Aid Kit for Maritime. Both Maritime and Social events were formalized for the entire 2022 year.

Calendar of Coming Events

MEETINGS

February General Meeting (February 17th)– Theme -Love on the Sea– Lead Kathy Imbriani, Janet Hendry, Lynn Van Dort

March General Meeting (March 10th)– Theme St. Patrick's Day – Lead Jeanne Meyer

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MARITIME EVENTS

February (TBD) Tentative Coast Guard Training, Boat inspection & Certification

March 15 – 18 Overnight at Fernandina Beach

April (Date TBD) Blessing of the Fleet

SOCIAL EVENTS

Golden Lion (Feb. 3, 2022)

Johnny D's (February Date TBD)

Putt Putt Challenge + Lunch at the North Turn (Date TBD)

April (Date TBD) Bonfire at the Ocean

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FBYC Social News

I am happy to report we had a great turn out for the social committee planning meeting. 22 members attended and we had loads of suggestions. Thank you to all for your valuable input. As you know we ended up cancelling the January general meeting. New rules at the church for the time being does not let us serve food so we moved the meeting to Betty Ste-

flik. Then mother nature had other plans for us. The foul weather made it too uncomfortable to enjoy. With that said mark your calendars for the fun February general meeting on the 17th. The theme will be Love is on the Sea. Kathy Imbriani and Janet Hendry are the leads. They are asking members to send a picture from the past of you and your heart throb. There will be a contest for who can correctly name the couples in the pictures. If you have a picture of you and thee that is from the past all the better. Even if you and your honey do not have old pictures please submit one anyway. Will be fun to see everyone. The ladies will be providing cup cakes but do ask if you want to bring a dessert that would be appreciated. We are having a social gathering at the Golden Lion on Thursday Feb. 3. They will have a musician and serve us chicken tenders, fish tacos, chicken quesadillas and fish fingers. The cost is \$25 per person and this includes tax and gratuity. Drinks will be on your own. We will gather around 4:30 as they have a decent happy hour. Food will start to be served around 6. It is not a sit down event. They do have tables and chairs in a section for us and will constantly bring food around. Hope you can make it. We are happy to patronize the Golden Lion as they advertise in our newsletter and offer members a discount. Stay tuned for a social at Johnny D later in the month. March is looking like an active month. We are moving the general meeting to the 10th. Fernandina trip is from March 15-18 and for those attending that event we do not want them to miss the general meeting. Sandwiches, potato salad and chips will be served. Jeanne Meyer is leading this event. We have determined the cost will \$8 for members \$10 for guest and a sign up sheet will go out where you can select if you prefer a rueben or ham sandwich. Victoria Roach is working with North Turn for us to have a gathering there after we have a putt putt challenge. That event will be after bike week which is March 3-14. Victoria Roach is working with Flagler Auditorium for a deal with a meal at Highjackers then a show. Further information to follow. In April we have planned a bonfire on the beach. Date to be determined after we check the moon chart. Janet Hendry will be lead for that event. Stay tuned for lots of fun events and gatherings and your input is most appreciated.

Make your check payable to FBYC and mail it to: Doris Houslander, 9 Clearview Ct. N, Palm Coast, FL 32137. You can also use PayPal or Zelle (use phone number 847-826-6851). You can use the above information anytime payment is required.

**Rear Commodore — Nick Ward****Rear-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com**

Welcome to 2022, and thank you for electing me as your new Rear Commodore! Past Rear Commodore Jim Kelly left some big deck shoes to fill, but I'll do my best. Please bear with me as I learn this new job, and best wishes to Jim in his new role as Fleet Captain.

[I have to chuckle whenever I hear "deck shoes": I was purchasing some Topsiders at the Atlanta West Marine store a few years back, and told my 6'7" friend Wink, the cashier, that "I'd like to buy these boat shoes." They were size 9-1/2. He smiled and said, "Nick, those aren't boat shoes, those are DECK shoes." With that he put his size 14 foot on the counter and said "THESE are BOAT shoes!"]

As your RC it is my privilege to manage the membership process, from tracking prospective members' attendance at the three required events (1 social, 1 maritime and 1 general meeting), providing applications, assembling their New Member packets, and getting nametags and burgees. We have 8 boat owners that have completed the process and been approved by the Board of Directors. Since the January General Meeting was cancelled for weather (great call, I was out fishing that morning and FROZE!), we were unable to officially induct them so we'll do that at the February meeting. We look forward to welcoming the following four couples:

Darla and Rick Allison (20' Tidewater Center Console)

Debbie and Don Smith (MOOR DOUGH, 27' Four Winns Open Bow)

Ilyse and David Pinette (19' Trophy)

Harry Bolton and Victoria Roach (21' Glastron DX210 Deck Boat)

We also have four other applicants who are either waiting to become Boat Owners or have not attended the three events, and we have several guests who have expressed an interest in FBYC but have not yet submitted applications.

Keeping track of who has been where when is not a trivial exercise, so PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR GUESTS SIGN IN TO THE EVENTS, and be sure to introduce them to myself and/or the other Board members. And other Club members, of course.

As everyone is probably aware, our By-Laws limit the number of non-boat owners to no more than 25% of the total membership. For the current figures I am including the eight members listed above as full-fledged members and boat owners.

Total Boat Owners	97
Total Members	130
Percent Boat Owners	74.6%

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Pending applications 4

Available memberships 16

If you have friends who would like to become members, please contact me for applications.

Lastly, the Rear Commodore is also responsible for advertising and advertisers.

On the advertising front, we still have a couple hundred of the old FBYC brochures, and Doris Houslander printed some labels that can be put on the backs of the brochures to correct the Commodore and Rear Commodore contact info. If anyone needs any to drop off or hand out, just let me know.

For advertisers, we have a few businesses that pay us to include their information in our Newsletter. If you know of any businesses marine or otherwise that may be interested in advertising with us – especially if they are offering a benefit for our members (e.g., a discount for FBYC members) – please have them contact me, or give me their contact information and I will reach out to them.

Looking forward to a great FBYC year,

Nick Ward



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Maritime Moments

Hello to all my fellow boaters. January was a busy month. We started the month with our planning meetings (social and Maritime), Thank you to all that attended. We had a pretty big list of ideas, some new, some where the traditional events. I feel we did a pretty good job going over all the ideas and came up with a tentative schedule for the year. We will add firm dates as the leads finalize the plans. February's event unfortunately is still in the planning process. The event is going to be a Boaters Safety Course provided by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. Unfortunately, due to Covid we are having difficulties scheduling at this moment. I will send a Blast the first week of February with details. if this falls through I will have a different maritime event and re-schedule the training.

March's Maritime Event is a trip to Fernandina Beach. Last years trip was in June and while everyone had a great time it was slightly warm. This year we are doing it March 15th -18th. Alan Hendry and Rich Van Dort are the leads and have done a great job planning this trip. A blast was sent out with all the details. Here are the highlights. Please let Alan Hendry, Rich Van Dort, or Jim Kelly know that you are attending any or all of these.

March 15th – 18th

Marina: Fernandina Harbor Marina (day boats and Overnight)

Hotel: Hampton Inn Amelia Island Historic Harbor Front (there are two Hampton Inn's, make sure you reserve this one)



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***Fleet Captain — Jim Kelly*****Fleet-Captain@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com**March 16th

Sandbar and Kitchen restaurant 2910 Atlantic Ave, Fernandina Beach 4:30pm

March 17th

Trolley Tour, 1:30 PM departing from the Hampton Inn.

Here is what is planned for 2022 as of now:

Month	Date	Event	Lead	Co-Lead
February		Coast Guard Training	Jim Kelly	
March	15-18	Fernandina overnight	Alan hendry	Rich VanDort
April		Blessing of the fleet followed by raft up	Nick Ward	Victoria R.
May		New Smyrna Overnight	Marsha Barry	need volunteer
June		First Mate Training	Phil Hunt	Jim, Henry
		Raft up		
July		Matanzas Inlet	Phil Hunt	Dale Anderson
August	10th - 11th	Hammock Beach Marina	Fred Ciaburri	Michelle Kelly
September		Poker run	Doris Houslander	Linda Folsom
October		St. Augustine Fish Camp and Home-wood Suites	Rich VanDort	need volunteer
November		Beaches in Vilano	need volunteer	need volunteer
December	10th (tentative)	Caroling on the Canals	Jim K.	need volunteer
January 23		St. Augustine Overnight	need volunteer	need volunteer

Thank you

Jim Kelly

Fleet Captain



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Lessons Learned: Better to "Know Before You Go" When it Comes to Boating Safety Equipment and Dealing With Emergencies

It was a warm summer afternoon on Memorial Day weekend. Folsom Lake, the most heavily used sole-state lake in California, located about 25 miles northeast from the capitol in Sacramento, was filled with boats of all types and sizes.

A young couple in their twenties, along with the woman's brother, was enjoying a day of cruising and waterskiing on their older model in-board ski boat. It was just after lunch, and the husband attempted to start the engine and get underway again for more waterskiing in the remote north fork of the American River.



At first the engine didn't turn over, and the boat was bouncing in the wakes of other boaters in the area. The boat's ventilation system wasn't working, and while the couple had intended to get it fixed, they didn't have time to get it to the dealer before the busy holiday weekend began. The engine also had not been serviced since they purchased the boat almost two years ago.

The husband continued to turn the key, when suddenly there was a loud pop, and smoke started coming from the engine compartment. The three boaters looked at each other, not knowing what to do, or exactly what the problem was. They soon began to sense the acrid smell of burning rubber, as the smoke began to increase from the engine compartment area.

The brother-in-law asked if they had a fire extinguisher on board, and the three began to search the compartments to locate the extinguisher. Once they located it, they actually didn't know how to operate the extinguisher, and had to take a couple of minutes to read the directions. Once they learned what to do, they attempted to put out the small fire in the engine compartment, and they found out the hard way that their extinguisher had accidentally discharged while being stored under a seat cushion with a lot of other loose gear, and the extinguisher was fully discharged before the fire was completely out. At this point, none of the people on board were wearing life jackets.

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Fortunately for the trio, a Good Samaritan in the area saw what was happening, and came by with another fire extinguisher to put out the small engine fire, and called the Coast Guard Auxiliary for further assistance.

This real life scenario described above is not limited to any specific type of craft or operator, or geographical location. Rather, it illustrates the need for boaters to be prepared for emergencies, and to be familiar with not only how to use their equipment, but to ensure that equipment is in good working order.

Let's look at what went wrong in this case:

- The boat's ventilation system was not working at all, and since the boat hadn't been serviced in nearly two years, the engine's backfire flame arrestor was dirty and contributed to the cause of the engine fire.
- The boaters didn't know how to use their fire extinguisher, and weren't exactly sure where it was located on board. Both of these factors cost precious time to be lost.
- None of the three boaters in this case were wearing life jackets, nor were any making preparations to abandon ship in the event the fire got further out of control. Moreover, since they were in a remote area, there was no cell phone coverage, and they had no marine radio on board. There are two things the boaters in this case could have done to prepare themselves for a situation like this:
 - To "know before they go" they should have taken a boating safety course. It is a statistic that repeats itself over and over again: 80 percent of those individuals who die in boating accidents had never taken a boating safety class. In a boating safety class, they would have learned the importance of preventative maintenance, the dangers associated with a non-operating ventilation system, as well as how to deal with a fire on board their vessel.
 - Furthermore, "to know before they go," they could have had a free vessel safety check (VSC) performed by a qualified USCGAUX Vessel Examiner. During a VSC, the examiner reviews all the legally required items and equipment, as well as recommending some additional safety items.

If you want to follow the Coast Guard's motto and be SEMPER PARATUS (always ready), we suggest you invest some time and take a boating safety course, and in getting a vessel safety check on your vessel. To learn more about classes and the vessel safety check program, visit <http://www.cgaux.org/>.

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

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1	Harry Bolton
5	Joel Houslander
7	Kathy Imbriani
9	Danielle Pierro
16	Marsha Barry

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Summer Perry

Summer is one of our newer members joining our club in June of 2021.

Born in Chicago IL, she lived in Streamwood, IL, a small town outside of Chicago, where she spent her first 4 years in grammar school. After leaving Illinois, Summer spent 3 years in New Jersey on the shore. During her middle school years, she lived in Alabama and during her high school years lived in Tennessee until she was around 30 years old.

She worked as a bookkeeper in Marietta, GA and later decided to go to school to become a Massage Therapist.

In 1998 she moved to Summer Island, in St. Augustine, FL. She attended the International Acad-

emy in Port Orange and graduated with her certificate as an Aesthetician in 2000.

She expanded her knowledge in Massage Therapy and in the Anti-aging

Skin Care field, developing her own line of facial products. She began her own business namely, "Love of Summer Aesthetics" in St. Augustine.

Working hard to build a clientele, she moved to the Surf Club in

Palm Coast and lived there from 2014 to 2021. She finds time enjoying her love of music and, of course, loves all water events from her

present location in the F Section of PC.

With her ability to experience many parts of our country, Summer is a refreshing and vibrant new member and someone you need to meet. Maybe you can schedule a facial in the process.

Written by Carol Dignard

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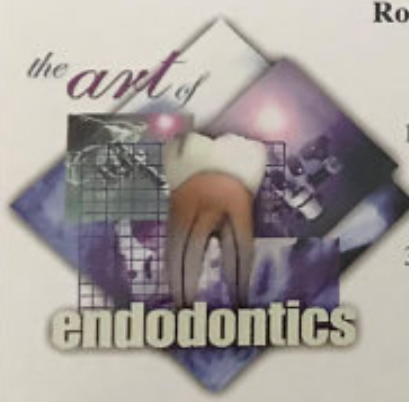
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