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It's that time of year to enjoy our many blessings with our families and friends. On behalf of the FBYC Board – **HAPPY HOLIDAYS TO ALL FBYC MEMBERS and OUR FUTURE MEMBERS.**

The Commodores Ball will be held on December 16th. Although our dress code is elegance, if you want to dress as your favorite Hollywood Star, please feel free to do so. It's time to enjoy the rest of 2022 and begin 2023 with your favorite ideas for entertainment. The commodores ball is our main event of the year where we welcome in the New Year and our FBYC new Board of Directors.

Please remember to bring non-perishable food for our Food Drive to the November 10th General meeting. It will be given to the St. Vincent DePaul Food Bank. They will redistribute it to needy families in Flagler. I would also like to thank the Russo's for volunteering to be leads on this and deliver the donations to the food bank.

Richard



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

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Commodore's Ball
 Friday, December 16th, 2022
 6:00pm - 10:00pm
 This year's theme:

Elegance

Enjoy a lovely evening at Channel Side for our annual Commodore's Ball. This year's theme, chosen by Rich Sirbu, suggests formal wear in the style of a holiday cocktail party. Think Hollywood in the 1950's with glam and bling. The evening starts with a walk on the Red Carpet. Enjoy an open bar and appetizers followed by dinner and dancing.



The menu for this year's Commodore's Ball starts with hors d'oeuvres of Ahi Tuna with Ginger Wasabi, Shrimp Cocktail Cups and Portobello Stuffed Mushrooms with either Parmesan or Sausage. Your dinner choices are:

- Beef Tenderloin carving station with Cabernet Sauce on the side, or
- Three Cheese Spinach Stuffed Chicken, or Haddock Fillet topped with a piccata sauce (lemon and capers). All dinner selections include Seasonal Mixed Vegetables (baby carrots, broccoli, yellow squash, cauliflower),

Quinoa, Brown, and White Rice Pilaf Almondine (contains shaved almonds, celery, onions, parsley), Mediterranean Salad and rolls with butter.

Like last year we will have a dessert table along with coffee and tea.

Dinner tables will host 8 guests to a table, you will circle your meal choice next to your name.

The cost per member is \$85 and \$100 per guest. Please make your check out to FBYC and bring it to the November 10th meeting. You may also pay via Zelle or PayPal using 847-826-6851 or dahouslander@gmail.com

Sign up and payment are required by December 1, 2022.

Enjoy an evening of *Elegance*.

Vice Commodore — Kim Hunt**Vice-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com**

FBYC Social News

Vice Commodore Corner

The St Augustine trip in October was a huge success. The personal chef treated our members to a culinary treat. Thank you Rich Van Dort for all your hard work and a special thanks to Amy Krisanda for organizing a seminar and tasting at the distillery. Was educational and tasty as well.

The October general meeting was a crockpot cook off. Lots of heart warming comfort food. Great job Victoria Roach and Susie Studstill. The costume contest was fun, and Quinn Bui made prizes that all the winners enjoyed.

HEADS UP!! November general meeting is Nov. 10 at the church. Michelle Kelly is lead and she is planning fried chicken to help kick start the Thanksgiving season. If you have not signed up and plan to attend, please let Michelle Kelly or Kim Hunt know. We could still use set up and clean up help.

Watch for fun pictures of the club golf tourney on Nov. 17 at Cypress Knoll. We promise some comical antics and a really fun day.

Wishing all the members and their families a very happy healthy Thanksgiving.



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Well, we didn't induct anyone last month, but at the October meeting we had 11 "guests", of which 5 had already submitted applications, and 4 more have given me applications since the meeting. So, our number of inducted members remains at 122, but with 17 pending applications that brings us to **139 total, meaning there are only 11 slots left before we start a waiting list to join the club.** I fully expect to induct 6 or 8 of those pending new members at the November meeting as they have (or will have) completed their three qualifying events by then, and to the best of my knowledge they haven't offended any of the Club officers (yet) so they should be shoo-ins when we vote on their applications at the next Board meeting.

Although most of our new members are invited by current Club members, sometimes I get a call or text from someone who is interested in FBYC but doesn't yet know anyone in the Club. As I mentioned last month, **I'm still looking for Sponsors** to guide our applicants through the qualification process and make sure they know about and are invited to the upcoming events. If you are interested in being a sponsor, please let me know at (770)827-1766 or email me. If you already know who you want to sponsor that's great – if not I will work to find applicants with backgrounds / interests similar to yours or who live near you. **The sponsorship tasks are only from the application date until the new member is inducted** – after that they're on their own to freely associate with the people you have introduced them to during that period!

As I mentioned at the October meeting, I think it would be great if our talented members would offer to share their knowledge with other members who may need a little advice or assistance occasionally. When Jean and I got our deck boat and the outboard engine was all clogged with salt and sand, I got some great help from at least three separate individuals, and it was very much appreciated! **Nick Bereda will be calling everyone** to give you a chance to brag about your skills, so don't be shy! I would like to put the information on the website somehow – maybe a new column on the Individual Member List? – and I am open to suggestions on how to incorporate that. Many thanks to the young lady who suggested adding a question to the FBYC Application, consider it done!

Enjoy the cooler weather, and Boat Safely! Nick Ward

Rear Commodore, FBYC

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Maritime Moments

It's hard to believe that it is November already. For those looking for ideas for Christmas, there is always something the boat needs and there are only 8 more Fridays till Christmas.

October's maritime event was a trip to Homewood Suites, in St. Augustine. This turned out to be a great event despite the issue of the wonderful Tropical storm Ian. We did have one boat brave the intercoastal after the storm, then successfully make it to the event and back home. I would like to give a Huge THANK YOU to Rich VanDort and Amy Beth Krisanda. They both did a wonderful job putting everything together for this event.

November's maritime event will be a trip to Caribbean Jack's in Daytona. The date is November 19th at 1 pm. Fred Ciaburri is the lead for this event. You can contact him via email at fred-ciaburri@yahoo.com or Jim Kelly via email at jameswkefbyc@gmail.com or text/phone 386-225-6481.

December is our annual Caroling on the Canals. This will be held on December 10th with a tentative time of 12pm. This is a fun time to spread some holiday cheer around the town. A map of the route will be out as we get closer to the event. We will follow the caroling with a picnic at Herschel King Park. The club will provide the meat and we will be asking for volunteers for sides. We will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. If you are unable to attend the meeting and plan on attending the Caroling or picnic please contact me via email at jameswkefbyc@gmail.com or text/phone 386-225-6481.



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This article came from Boat US, Published January of 2016

The top five causes of fire on outboard-powered boats.



Fires on boats tend to occur most frequently around the engine, whether the engine is an inboard or an outboard. That's

because the engine is the place where fuel, in the form of gasoline or diesel, and an ignition source, in the form of heat or spark, are most likely to come together. On an inboard, that means fire most commonly originates in the boat's engine room. On an outboard, fires often start under the outboard cowl. That difference is significant. It means that an engine fire on an outboard-powered boat is far more likely to be noticed earlier, is far more contained, and is far easier to control than on an inboard.

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Fires also start in the DC electrical system, including the battery and wiring, though it's usually easier to get quick access to those areas than it is on an inboard-powered boat. Here are the five most common causes of fire on outboard boats and recommendations on how to avoid them.

1.Regulator Meltdown



Twenty-nine percent of fires on outboard boats start somewhere in the engine electrical system. The vast majority of those start due to a failure in the voltage regulator or the electrical connections to it. This eventually causes heat or a spark that ignites the fuel or even the fumes under the cowl. The good news is that the incidence of fires associated with voltage regulators is almost nonexistent on engines less than 10 years old. We begin to see these fires as the engines age beyond 10 years, and the incidence increases dramatically after 15 years. While the overall incidences is still relatively low, voltage regulators on many engines are not that expensive or difficult to replace. If it's easy to replace on your engine, a new voltage regulator may well save you a call to TowBoat US and a long, boring ride home at the end of a tow line.

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2. Battery Switcheroo



As is the case with inboard boats, the second biggest source of DC electrical fires is in the battery wiring. Half of those are operator error — reconnecting the batteries wrong in the spring. That might mean crossing positive and negative, shorting out the posts with a metal tool, or reconnecting in series when they should have been in parallel. If you're disconnecting your batteries for any reason, photograph the configuration with your phone first, label the battery cables, and mark the positive post with red fingernail polish.

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3. Missed Connections



Before you reconnect those batteries this spring, take the time to inspect battery connectors for pitting or rust, and to make sure the battery connectors are the appropriate size for the posts. Loose connections, chafed battery cables, and shorted switches all cause a few fires from time to time, and preventing them is simply a matter of regular inspections and conscientious maintenance. Battery connections should be inspected and tightened at least twice each season.

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4. Leaky Lines



Eleven percent of outboard fires are caused by some sort of a fuel leak. Most often hose clamps loosen due to engine vibration until fuel begins to seep out from around fittings. This is usually not hard to spot if you take off the cowl. Look for shiny fuel lines, and sniff around for the telltale odor of raw gasoline. Tighten any loose hose clamps, or replace them if they are the small clip-type that are easily damaged. Rubbing the hoses with a cloth and smelling it will alert you if the hoses are becoming permeable and need to be replaced.

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4. Charge It Right



While most outboard boats don't have an AC electrical system, most do get hooked up to AC at some point to charge the batteries. Fires result from using non-marine chargers that lack the proper settings to keep marine batteries at a proper float rate without overcharging them. Automotive chargers should never be used on boats. Not only do they lack sophisticated float settings, but many are not ignition protected. If the charger is in an enclosed area and fuel fumes accumulate, a fire or explosion can be the result.

Finally, be aware of where you leave your boat when storing it. The few total losses for outboards from fire in the BoatUS Marine Insurance files almost all resulted from storing the boat near something that burned, most often a barn or a garage.

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

Man Bui	5-Nov
Summer Perry	5-Nov
Lynn Uribe	5-Nov
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Looking forward to taking your order at our November meeting! Be sure to come meet Linda and Cyndi if you haven't already!

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