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Commodore's Corner — James Kelly

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August was another great month. We had a fun social gathering at the Hammock Marina and later in the month we had a great Raft-up in the Cinnamon Basin.

Please Note, due to the church needing the Hall the week of our normal November meeting we had to change the date. The new date for the November meeting is November 10th at 6 PM.

The FBYC Election Committee will announce the 2023 board candidates to nominate at the September general meeting. IAW FBYC By-Law 4.04(C), the 2022 Election Committee is required to publish the

2023 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.

On behalf of the Election Committee, I respectfully submit our proposed 2023 Slate of Officers.

- Commodore** – James Kelly
- Vice Commodore** – Darla Allison
- Rear Commodore** – Nick Ward
- Fleet Captain** – Steve Plump
- Secretary** – Jean Ward
- Treasurer** – Lori Plump
- Director** – Carol Hunt
- Director** – Mary Ann Simard

IAW the FBYC By-Laws this slate will also be announced at the September 2022 General Membership Meeting. Members wishing to nominate anyone for any FBYC Board position may do so at the October 2022 General Membership Meeting. Elections will take place at the November 2022 General Membership Meeting.



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Thank you to Claudia Towne and her committee which consisted of Susan Bereda, Jeanne Meyer and Jeanne Nix. Thank you for their time and effort to bring us a slate of candidates that will steer FBYC on the best course through next year.

September:

9/10/22 11:00am

- Matanzas Inlet (Snake Island)
- this was changed from a poker run
- Lead: Jim Kelly, 386-225-6481. Please contact Jim to sign up.

9/15/22 6:00pm

- General Meeting at Santa Maria Del Mar Church.
- Ole, ole it's Taco Night!
- Lead: Linda Folsom, 678-467-3641
- Please let Linda know if you are attending the meeting.

9/22/22 11:00am

- Victory Casino Cruise in Port Canaveral.
- Lead: Jerry Imbriani for details or to sign up, 386-264-5730

October:

10/2-4/22

- St. Augustine Trip. Come by boat or car.
- Lead: Rich Van Dort, 386-986-0710

10/2/22 5:00pm

- Private Chef Dinner at the Homewood Suites Hotel by Hilton, St. Augustine.
- Lead: Rich Van Dort, 386-986-0710



The advertisement is split into two main sections. On the left, there is a photo of Danielle Pierro, a woman with long brown hair wearing a dark blue button-down shirt. To her left is the 'TRADEMARK Realty Group' logo, which features a palm tree and a house icon. Below the logo, her contact information is listed: CELL: 914.760.0364, EMAIL: daniellepiero@gmail.com, and 101 Palm Harbor Pkwy Unit B-120 Palm Coast, FL 32137. To the right of the photo, the text reads 'Danielle Pierro TOP PRODUCER' with a small icon of a house and a checkmark. On the right side of the advertisement, there is a scenic background of a beach with a thatched umbrella and two lounge chairs. The text reads 'FLAGLER COUNTY THE HIDDEN GEM' at the top, followed by the quote 'I don't just sell Real Estate I sell PARADISE' in a stylized font. At the bottom right, her name 'Danielle Pierro' is written in a cursive script.

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10/3/22 3:30pm

- Distillery Tour at 112 Riberia St., St. Augustine.
- Lead: Amy Beth Krisanda, 914-755-5612
- Contact Amy to sign up.

10/20/22 6:00pm

- General Meeting at Santa Maria Del Mar Church.

November:

11/10/22 6:00pm (Please Note date change)

- General Meeting at Santa Maria Del Mar Church.
- Election Night, please attend the meeting to vote in your new board members.

11/17/22 12:30pm

- Annual Golf Outing at Cypress Knoll Golf Course
- Social to follow.
- Lead: Steve Plump, 815-353-1225

December:

12/3/22 6:00pm

- Palm Coast Yacht Club hosts their annual Boat Parade. Information will be forthcoming on who to contact if you wish to participate.

12/10/22 12:00?

- FBYC Boat Parade. Join the annual day boat parade as we sing up and down the canals.
- Lead: Jim Kelly, 386-225-6481
- Picnic to follow.

12/16/22 6:00pm

- Commodore's Ball, this year's theme is Elegance.
- Lead: Rich Sirbu. Details to follow.

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Hammock Social:



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Hammock Social (Cont):



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Vice Commodore — Kim Hunt

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FBYC Social News

The Hammock Dance party was a huge success. Everyone looked super groovy and had a great time. Thanks to Fred & Sherry, and Joel & Doris for all their hard work. Very creative decorations and props.

In August many members are away, so we do not schedule a meeting for that month. So our next meeting on Sept 15 at the church will be a fun packed gathering. Fiesta for all with Mexican themed aperitivo.... aka nibbles ...if you have not signed up yet, please let me know. Linda Folsom can use some help with clean up so if you can give her a hand that will be most appreciated. Count on loads of fun and wear your sombrero and vestido and join the fun.



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Casino cruise is scheduled for September 22. If you are feeling lucky or just want a fun day out this is a great adventure.

Stay tuned for details on a social at Tortugas in Flagler Beach. It will be early to mid-September. Tortugas was very generous in donations to our 30th anniversary celebration and we want to show our support. Hoping to secure the upstairs overlooking the beach. Once we have coordinated a date with the restaurant a blast will be posted.

Rear Commodore — Nick Ward

Rear-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com



Well, with no August meeting we couldn't induct anyone into the Flagler Beach Yacht Club – but we currently have SEVENTEEN applications in the pipeline! Including those 17, we have 132 members/applicants. So there are 18 open memberships remaining. If you want your friends to be able to join our club, invite them to our Social and Maritime events and to our next meeting on September 15. And have them come hungry, that's Taco Night!

Fair winds,
Nick Ward



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

Michelle Kelly – 386-283-1113
Email – mani1516@hotmail.com

Fleet Captain — Jim Kelly

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Maritime Moments

Ahoy Maties!

We had a great raft up at the cimmaron basin on Aug 10th. We had 8 boats and a potential new member stop by for a little bit. The weather cooperated and was a great day.

After many ideas and trying to schedule events, we have decided to do another Matanzas Inlet trip. This event will be September 10th starting at 11 am. If you would like to sign up, please contact me at 386-225-6481 or jameswkefbyc@gmail.com

Raft Up:



Fleet Captain — Jim Kelly

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What to Do If You're in a Boating Accident

This is a reprint from Dockwa, August 2022

Unfortunately, boating accidents happen even to boaters who do everything right and take the necessary precautions to minimize risk.

With nearly a MILLION first-time and novice boat owners hitting the waters over the past two years, boaters MUST know what to do if they're in a boating accident, no matter the severity.

Federal Law requires the operator or owner of a recreational vessel to file a boating accident report with the state reporting authority if the recreational vessel is involved in an accident that results in any of the following:

- A person dies
- A person is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid
- A person disappears from the vessel under circumstances that indicate death or injury
- Damage to vessels and other property totals \$2,000 (lower amounts in some states and territories).
- The boat is destroyed.

Report Timelines:

- Within 48 hours if a person dies within 24 hours, is injured and requires medical treatment beyond first aid, or disappears from the vessel under circumstances that indicate death or injury.
- Within 10 days of the occurrence or death if earlier reporting is not required.

The information you provide is used to establish regulations and safety standards, identify and remedy boat defects, educate recreational boaters, capture statistical data, investigate accidents, and measure the effectiveness of boating safety programs.

Accident Reporting Forms

Forms may be found on the Coast Guard's Directive and Publications Division Website [here](#).

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Generally, here’s the procedure you should follow if you get into a boating accident:

Ensure the Safety of Your Passengers

First and foremost, check whether you or anyone else aboard requires medical attention. Call 911 and notify the Coast Guard **immediately** if there are any injuries. On a freshwater lake where the coast guard might not have a station, you'll want to notify the police or 911 rescue responders. While awaiting medical attention, provide first aid if it’s available from the boat’s emergency kit, make a note of all injuries and provide that information to the medical professionals once they’ve arrived.



If the accident is not severe and there are no injuries, you should still call the Coast Guard or local police to make them aware of the situation. This will help them keep track of boating accidents and ensure boaters follow boating safety procedures.

If Your Vessel Capsized...

If your vessel capsized, get everyone out of the water and onto the boat if you can. If the boat is still afloat and there is no immediate danger, ensure everyone is wearing a **life jacket** and move to a safe area. If you can’t get everyone out of the water, have someone stay with the boat and send the others for help.

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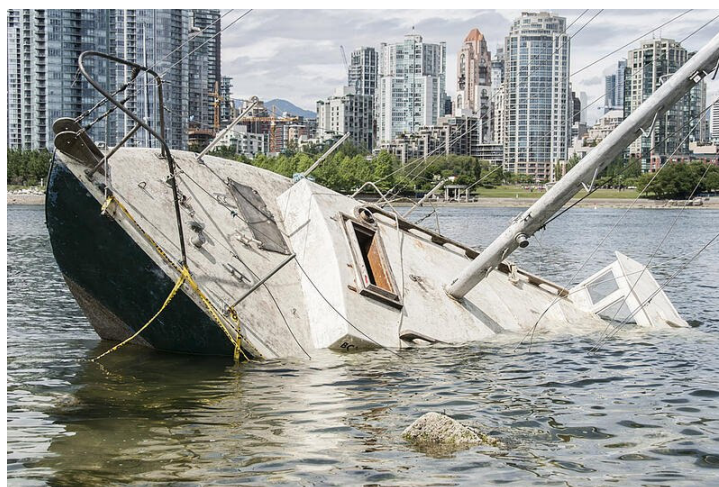


Don't panic and try to swim for shore. A capsized vessel may recover independently, and most trailer-sized vessels will remain afloat, even when flooded or over-turned.

If the Boat Is Sinking...

If the boat is sinking, kill the engine and have everyone abandon the ship. Make sure everyone has a life jacket and swim to safety. Anchor yourself to a buoy or some other fixed object if possible. If there is no stationary object to anchor to, float with your back facing the wind and use a survival kit if you have one.

If you're boating in an area with heavy traffic, put up a **distress signal** also that other boaters know your situation and can offer assistance if needed. In any case, call for help using any available means—a whistle, flare, mirror, etc.



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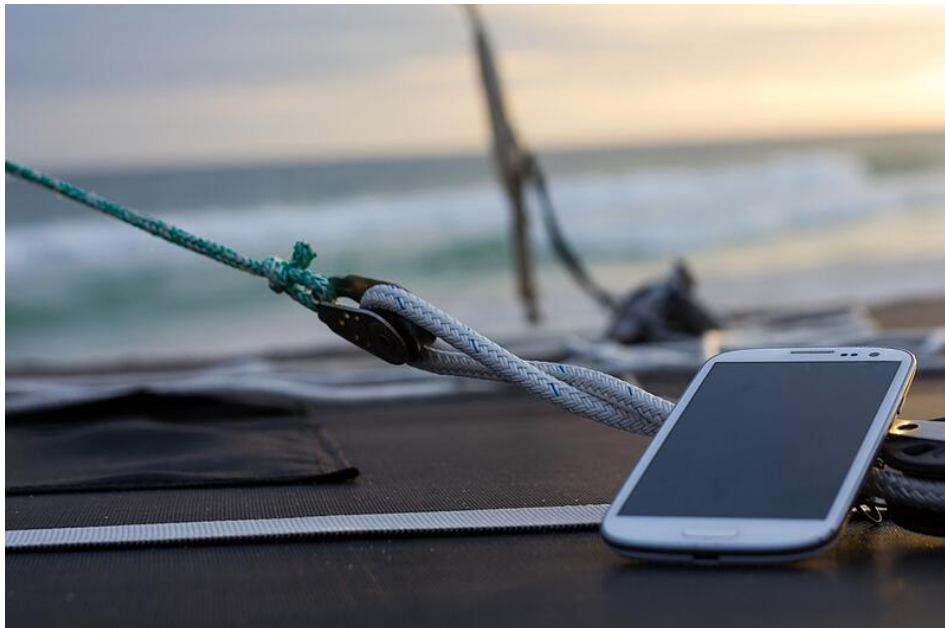
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Exchange Information With the Other Boater

If the accident involved another boater, get their name, address, phone number, and insurance information. It would help if you also tried to get any witnesses names and contact information. If the other boater refuses to give you their information, that's a red flag, and you should contact authorities.

Document the Accident

Use your phone to take photos of the damage to both boats. If there are any injuries, take pictures of those as well. It's also a good idea to take photos of the surrounding area in case you need to reference them later. Once you have all the images you need, make a written record of what happened. This will be vital information to have when filing an insurance claim.



File a Claim With Your Insurance Company

Once you've gathered all the necessary information and documentation, file a claim with your insurance company. Again, be sure to do this immediately after the accident so the insurance company can process your claim promptly.

While boating accidents are stressful and scary, thankfully, by following the steps outlined above, you can make sure that everyone is safe and that you're able to get the compensation you need to cover any damages. The most important thing to remember is to stay calm and be patient. Take care of yourself and your passengers during this difficult time.

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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 dinner menu and cost will be made available at the September meeting along with sign up sheets. Dinner tables will host 8 guests to a table, you will circle your meal choice next to your name.

Enjoy an evening of *Elegance*.

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

This Month's Birthday Pirates

Diana Robbins	Sep 1
Richard Sirbu	Sep 5
Tom Mumper	Sep 6
Len Dignard	Sep 8
Joe McSherry	Sep 10
Matt Wheaton	Sep 11
Bob Fazzone	Sep 11
Carol Dignard	Sep 12
Ruth Mines	Sep 12
Ruth Hooker	Sep 12
Tim Rippey	Sep 14
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Len Caso	Sep 19
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Debbie Smith	Sep 29

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FBYC Ship Store



Summer is almost behind us! Still feeling the heat? We have some great cool options for you including our light weight tees and tanks, and even a cap to protect yourself (spa 50+). Would you prefer a bucket hat (pictured top left)? We can order those as well. We only carry a limited amount of inventory but all of it is available in different sizes, many styles and colors. Stop by the Ship Store this month for help selecting the perfect shirt for you or feel free to drop by U Name It. They have many samples there to help you find the right fit, weight and style. Joe knows FBYC and will help you make the best choice for your needs. Visit him at:

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Website: <https://www.unameitapparel.com>

Our printed or foil burgee is currently available on t-shirts and koozies through our own member Mike Ferreira. Other products could be made available upon request. Stop by the Ship Store to see these new products.



Looking forward to taking your order at our September meeting!

Remember that you can always bring in your own item for embroidery to U Name It for the low cost of \$12.

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

Lori Plump at 815-353-6544; email: loriplump1@gmail.com

Michelle Kelly at 386-283-1113, email: mani1516@hotmail.com

Len and Carol Dignard (Updated)



Len and Carol just celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary. Ten years ago, Carol, who lived and worked in New Jersey, came to Palm Coast to visit a friend. The friend picked her up at the airport; that evening and they went to the Italian American Club where she met Len for the first time. Carol returned to NJ where she and Len texted and talked to each other until she retired and moved down here a few months later. The rest is history! Carol, from her former marriage has two grown daughters, and four grandchildren; all live in NJ. Len and his late wife have two sons, both living in Colorado, and two daughters both living in Virginia. He also has four grandchildren. Carol and Len spend a great deal of their time with their blended family; many of their “vacation” trips are to visit one or more members. Both are very active members of the FBYC.

Carol born in Brooklyn NY, then later moving to NJ, worked like a crazy person for too many years. Starting at Chase Manhattan Bank in NYC, most of her employment was in and around the printing business. For fifteen of those years, she was a successful business owner, managing 22 employees, supporting multiple contracts with large pharmaceutical companies. She had a brief interlude with boating in NJ.

Len, who was our first Commodore without a boat, grew up in Troy, New York and spent twenty years in the Air Force, 1964-84, as a Logistics Manager. Married in 1967, he and his wife spent their military lives together being stationed in Alaska, Turkey, Germany and Iran (unaccompanied), as well as NY, Michigan and Colorado.

Retiring from the AF in 1984, in Denver Colorado, he went to work for Lockheed Martin Denver Aerospace Division. He first worked on the Peacekeeper Missile (nuclear weapons) program, and then for the Titan Missile program where he served as part of the launch support team. He traveled regularly to Vandenburg Air Force base in California and Cape Canaveral Florida, launching satellites for the military and other national interests. During some his business travels his wife Connie, would fly down to Florida for weekends and they would travel around the state. On one occasion they visited a friend in Palm Coast and bought land.

When Len was planning to retire, Connie, reversing roles, told him that she had followed him for 37 years and she was retiring to Florida and that it was now time for him to follow her! Len retired from Lockheed after 21 years, he and Connie moved to Florida in June 2005 and they joined the club less than a year later. They both were extremely active in all of the club events. Sadly, Connie passed away in 2010.



Len served on our Board for 9 years; 6 years as Treasurer, 1 each as Vice Commodore, Commodore, and Past Commodore Director. Carol also served on the Board as the Club's Treasurer for two years.

Over the years, Len and his late wife were always involved in chartable volunteer type work and followed through with that after arriving in Florida.

When Len and Carol met and later married, not only were they both involved with the FBYC but, also had similar interests in helping others in need. They are active in Santa Maria del Mar Catholic Church in Flagler Beach where they serve not only as Ushers for one of the Sunday services, but, in addition, they serve with the Church's mission to help the homeless and less fortunate. Every fifth Monday throughout the year their team can be found at the church hall cooking meals for 250+ people. Also, they both serve as leaders of a breakfast team for the Flagler homeless shelter in Bunnell that opens when temperatures drop below 40 degrees. Len is also involved in volunteer work with the Knights of Columbus.

After Len and Carol married they wanted their children to meet each other, so they decided to have a family party here in Florida. It lasted for 4 days and they all happily bonded. Together, they flew them to their home, set them up in a local hotel. They ate, drank and happily met their step sisters and brothers.

It was a success and..... all they had to do was feed them!!!!



Randy & Jeanne Meyer

Jeanne Meyer

I was born in Manila, Philippines , I remember 67 years ago coming to the U.S. on a military transport aircraft with my 12 yr. old brother being transported in El Paso , Texas where my father was serving in the U S Army. That was the scariest flight I've ever had since I was so young and with complete strangers. I didn't think I was going to make it to our destination. Now you know why I am petrified to fly. I attended grammar school and went to Burgess High in El Paso. I married at a young age and have 3 children, 5 grandsons, and 2 granddaughters ages 24 up to 13 yrs. old. One out of college and one pursuing her dream to be an

educator. So two more started college in Business Management, and this year my 4th grandson went to early enlistment program to join the Marines after graduation 2023I remarried in 1980 to my Prince Randy Meyer everyone calls him Perfect Randy because he is the perfect man for me.

I had very many jobs from working for an optometrist, quality control/birds eye, and manager for several retail stores. My last job was working for First National Bank of Chicago/ JP Morgan as a Financial Advisor for 15 yrs. At 50 I decided to retire and enjoy my grandkids and family. In 2003 we decided to move to a warmer weather so here we are since 2006 built a brand new home in Palm Coast where we met Len Dignard and many new friends. He then convinced us to join FBYC in 2006. I had the honor to serve 7 years on the board and we have the best boating club around Flagler. We have been FBYC members for 16 yrs. I enjoy cruising, traveling, playing cards, golfing, cooking, and wine tasting, dancing and meeting new people all over the country.

Randy Meyer

Born and raised in Elgin, IL. Started boating with an 18' aluminum fishing boat as a teenager Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota

After high school went to Iowa State University studying Construction technology and Engineering Drafted in the Army served 2 yrs. at Fort Bragg as a Personal Management Specialist After working for engineering firms for a couple years I decided to become a Union carpenter. My career started building homes, working at Fermi Lab Nuclear Accelerator. Next phase I became a superintendent building schools, bridges, sewage treatment plants and power sub-stations. I manage a company that remodeled Sears Tower and maintenance contract at the Hancock building in Chicago. Besides 70 Starbucks and Mrs. Fields cookie stores



Last part of my career was being a Business manager for Local363 with 1800 members for 13 yrs. 18 yrs. as Instructor for the Fox River Valley Program. Secretary for the Health and Pension Plan for most of Illinois, Chairman of the Presidential report committee, Organizer for the Chicago District Council

The best part of the last 50 years was meeting Jeanne in 1978 and getting married two years later. We have been here for 16 years and enjoy fishing golfing, bowling and of course boating on our boat name LOLA



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2002	Howard Graves	2021	Joel Houslander
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2004	George Barnett		
2005	Pete Poole		
2006-2007	Mike Cocchiola		
2008	Claudia Towne		
2009	Jane Gaulding		
2010	Dee Cocchiola		
2011	Rich Franco		
2012	Greg Hansen		
2013	Randy Meyer		
2014	Len Dignard		