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Event Calendar:

AUGUST

- 13 Fri the 13th Burn-It
- 19 Youth Sailing Class
- 20 Rum Race #4
- 25 Board Meeting
- 28 Pizza Raft-Up

SEPTEMBER

- 1 General Meeting
- 3 Rum Race #5
- 4-6 Labor Wknd Cruise
- 17 Rum Race #6
- 25-26 Mermaid Regatta

Wastin' Away in Margaritaville...

Seventy-four people gathered at Jan and Ralph Crawford's beautiful new home, on the Indian River at Rockledge, for another one of Rachele Ross' extravaganzas. Rachele Ross and her committee put together a Jimmy Buffet Parrothead Party that was better than anyone's wildest expectations. The party committee consisted of: Rachele, Pat and Mike Henry, Ned and Diane Buck, Stu and Brenda Shadbolt, Terry Orner and his brother Tom, Lenny Beckett, and of course Jan and Ralph who graciously provided the use of their new home. Twenty or more of the guests arrived by boat, with nine boats anchoring overnight and sharing breakfast at Jan and Ralph's on Sunday morning.

The evening's fare was shrimp, Cheeseburgers in Paradise, lots of finger food, margaritas, and punch. A two-piece band that played Buffet music the entire night provided the entertainment. For amusement, Rachele and crew provided games of skill, which included a glider flying contest from the back porch, and coconut bowling.

The highlight of the party was the Parrothead hat contest. Contestants made theme hats depicting individual Jimmy Buffet songs or a general Jimmy Buffet theme.

Thanks again to all those that helped out, and a special thanks to Jan and Ralph for hosting that rowdy bunch.

COMING EVENTS

Friday The 13th Burn-It...Friday, August 13th the club will be having a burn-it...bring your own meat to burn and the club will provide the fixings.

Pizza Raft-Up...August 24th. We will raft over by the Melbourne Beach pier and have pizza delivered. Advanced sign up is required.

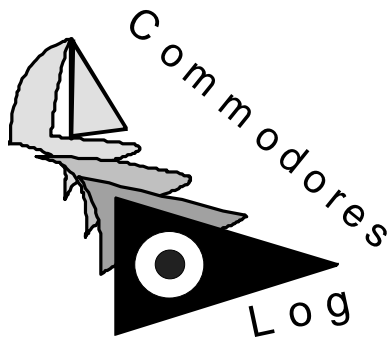
Labor Day Weekend Cruise...Sept 4-6. Destination tbd (suggestions?)



**Ned Buck's
 Cheeseburger In
 Paradise Hat**

More Photos Inside...

- Lenny Beckett



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Applications have closed for the position of Rear Commodore. Your'e too late, the position has been filled. **Vic Lucas** has been selected from the list of applicants, nominated for the position last night at the General Meeting by **Stu Shadbolt**, and elected by unanimous vote. Thank you, Vic, for volunteering for this work.

As House Chairman he now has one of the more difficult jobs at the Club. Vic has always been one of the most helpful members around the club, now he has the rank and glory to go with the work he has generously performed. Vic has also been filling in for Stan's Steward duties, which as House Chairman he has the responsibility to supervise.

THANKS AGAIN VIC!!!

Sally Wakefield inadvertently supplied the entertainment for last night's meeting. She wrote a letter about a week ago to the Melbourne Police Department asking for help with the vagrants who swarm over our property and mentioning when we hold our meetings. The response was almost instantaneous. **Officer John Rodgers**, the Community Police Officer for District 9, attended last night's meeting and gave us a very informative and entertaining presentation. District 9 runs from Babcock St to the river, and Crane Creek to Florida Ave. This includes some of the more exciting and productive crime areas of the city. Over the past 18 months there have been 225 ar-

rest in the area. Almost all violent crimes in this area are drug related, which generally occur west of US 1 and closer to University Blvd. Boat burglaries in Melbourne Harbour have not been a bigproblem, the last reported cases being about a year ago, with nothingstolen, just people looking for a place to sleep. That happened to my boat during that time frame.

Of course, the most visible (and perhaps entertaining) criminal activity in our area is the ladies of the night (and day). MPD routinely runs prostitution stings from our parking lot. The Johns (John Rodgers took exception to that term for some reason) approach undercover (so to speak) policewomen at the corner and are directed to meet for their services at the end of E River Drive by FIT, where they are instead met by an arresting officer. Their most difficult punishment is getting their names in the paper. The prostitutes, when arrested, are fined about \$200, required to take and HIV awareness class, and are back to work - no matter how often they are arrested. Very frustrating work for the police.

Other info he shared with us:

- ⇒ Prison gangs will be working under his supervision in our area the next several weeks to clean up underbrush and debris.
- ⇒ The bridge supports are being fitted for electrolysis prevention devices (maybe they can put one on **Alan Payne's** boat) and the cage will be removed, but replaced with a better one.
- ⇒ The MPD agrees that the pay phone at Bill's Tire Shop attracts criminal activity. Officer Rodgers was instrumental in having that pay phone removed once, and is trying again.
- ⇒ The sexual predator that lives in the apartments across the street is a genuinely bad dude (likes young girls), and his removal from our neighborhood is in the works.

What can we at MYC do?

- ⇒ Call MPD - 259-1211 whenever a problem is spotted. Squeaky wheels, etc.
- ⇒ Better lighting in our lot.
- ⇒ Watch the gate close behind you when entering and exiting the club.
- ⇒ Extend the gate to street. Probably not convenient for us.

The patrol officers have been instructed to patrol our lot on a routine basis, and the officers are encouraged to sit in our lot to write up their reports. Ask **George Behnke**, who was called to the club at 1:30 in the morning the night of the Margaritaville Party by the patrol officers. They had detained a trespasser, and George checked the cars and property but could find no problems. The perp was released, but names were taken.

Perhaps we should update our files with the police, George's responsibility for such calls dates from about twenty years ago.

- Chuck Baird, Commodore

Fall Regatta Schedule Preview

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| Wed, Oct 13 - Dinghy Racing | Thu, Oct 14th - Speakers /Pot Luck Optimist Pram Racing (youth). |
| Fri, Oct 15th - Rev H'cap Race | Sat/Sun, Oct16/17 - PHRF racing |

Song Theme Hat Winners



1st Place
Chuck Delmater
 Let's Get Drunk..

2nd Place
Bob Sowden
 Volcano

3rd Place
Faye Bitzer
 Changes in Latitudes

more photos at <http://home.att.net/~islandtimeashore>



1st Place
Gabe & Pat Denes

2nd Place
Jim & Delores Miller



**General
 Category
 Hat
 Winners**

3rd Place
**Diane
 Buck**



The Judges



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Parking Plea

Please **do not** park in the area of the lower lot, in and around the pram rack and mast up storage, during sailing classes.

Classes are normally scheduled Thursday 6 to 8 pm, and Saturday 9 am. to 12:30.

Got a contribution for the newsletter?

Drop it off in the box marked 'Newsletter' in the MYC kitchen, bring it to the membership meeting (PC format floppy or print-out), or (best) e-mail it to:

MYC@dataflowsys.com

Please include name & phone number in case we need to contact you.

MYC Has a Web Page!

www.dataflowsys.com/myc

MYC Activities E-Mailing List

If you'd like to get on an e-mail list for last-minute MYC activities and reminders, send an e-mail to Sherry Beckett at ITBecketts@aol.com with subject: "Put me on the MYC list"

21st Mermaid Regatta

Saturday/Sunday, September 26/27

❖ Fun Racing ❖

Cruiser PHRF (Spinnaker & Non-Spinnaker)
and Mother Tub Classes

Female skipper and all female crew required.

One male ("observer only" after the white flag) allowed if desired.

Saturday

Skippers' Meeting at 12:30 p.m.—Race begins at 1:30 p.m.

Keg/sodas to follow the race—Dinner begins approximately 5:30 p.m.

Sunday

Skippers' meeting at 10 a.m.—Race begins at 1:30 p.m.

Hot dogs and trophy presentation to follow the race



❖ Dinner Prepared by the Gentlemen of the Club ❖

Dinner served at approximately 5:30 p.m.

Advance dinner reservations appreciated but not required.

Please sign up before the race if possible.

All racers, spectators, guests, and club members are welcome and urged to attend.

❖ After Dinner Live Music and Fashion Show ❖

The gentlemen of the club will be modeling fashions you won't want to miss.

❖ Great Door Prizes ❖

ENTRY FEE

\$35/cruiser—\$30 w/proof of USSA

Entry fee includes 1 dinner/skipper and 1 door prize ticket/skipper and crew.

Extra dinner tickets \$8 or \$4/under 12.

Extra door prize tickets 5/\$1.00

FLEET REPORT

The season for racing is nearly upon us. So, clean the bottom of your boats and break out the good sails!

The **Mermaid Regatta** is coming up on September 26-27. Get ready for some good racing, ladies—and be ready for good food, music and a fashion show after the race.

The **Fall Regatta** will be quite different this year. It will be a 'Regatta Week'— Oct.13 - 17. The Regatta Committee has been planning a great event. **Dave Noble** is the Regatta Chairman, so if you wish to volunteer let Dave or myself know. (See Dave's writeup on the facing page for the rundown of activities).

We are looking for contributions to help support our Fall Regatta Week. This is a bigger project than what we usually do and we are going to need donations to help with items such as t-shirts, music on Saturday night and door prizes. If you yourself wish to help out with this, or if you know anyone who has a business that might like to make a donation, please call Dave Noble or myself and let us know. A donation of one thousand dollars has already been made by an anomous club member (just kidding). I am very excited about our Regatta Week and hope that you all will be too.

I have been thinking about putting together a **bus trip to the Annapolis Boat Show** for the year 2000. I am curious in knowing if people would be interested in such a trip. Since I have never organized such a trip I will need plenty of time to do so but first I need to know if there is an interest.

I will be away for the first 2 weeks in August. If there are any issues for the Fleet Captain you can contact my husband at our home number.

- Mary Williams, Fleet Captain

Summer Camp Cancelled: My hopes and expectations of MYC's Junior Sailing Program were popped this month. I tried to have a two week camp—I had 13 persons interested, but when the time came, only four students showed up. Part of the problem was mine—the dates weren't firm until just before the class, and there were inevitable conflicts with family vacations. Next year, we'll set the date well in advance, and require firm reservations and a deposit.



Beginning Sailing Class to Start August 19th I would like 8 kids minimum. Only 3 are presently signed up, so if you know of someone who is interested, please have them call or email me. The kids should be ages 9-18, (Optimist is 9-15, Sunfish 14-18). Classes are Thursdays 6-8pm and Saturdays 9am.-12:30pm.

Fall Regatta preview : The Fall Regatta is going to be BIG this year! Nearly a week long...Wednesday night—dinghy racing, Thursday night—Opti races and Seminars, Friday night—a Reverse Handicap race, Saturday and Sunday like usual. There will be various dinners and breakfasts scheduled too. **We need volunteers** to help with the regatta and we're **actively soliciting door prizes and sponsors** . I'm sure each club member has a friend or relative (or maybe themselves, as business owners) who would like to take that needed tax write off and donate something to MYC and the race week. And for those members who own a business without a retail product or service available, we are willing to plaster your business name on the Official MYC Race Week T-Shirt as one of our "Platinum Sponsors"—all it takes is \$100. We also have lots of railing and fence space available for you to hang your sign or logo. Lots of trophies will be handed out Sunday afternoon, including the Bert Mc Allister Award, Boat of the Week and Sailor of the Week to name just a few. Please help us out and lets make this Brevard's best sailing event. - Dave Noble

New Membership Applications

JAMES AND NANCY BOYD

1379 Rose Court
Melbourne FL 32935
(407)259-8829

Sponsor: Roy Owens

Jim Boyd was a member of the Melbourne Yacht Club from the 60's till the 80's. Since his retirement from Harris this year, Jim has revived his enjoyment in sailing. He is a member of ECSA and a member of J-22 fleet #30.

Jim and Nancy would like to rejoin the Melbourne Yacht Club. Jim is now an avid sailor and has many sailing friends at MYC. He plans to be an active racer, is willing to serve on race committees and support the MYC social activities along with his wife, Nancy.

JAMES F. M. AND CINDY DUNCAN

2532 Ventura Circle, W. Melbourne, FL 32904

Sponsor: Rick Crockett

Jim and Cindy have two children ages 9 and 5. They are new to the Melbourne area, but are familiar with many MYC sailors. Jim is a licensed Coast Guard Captain with over 19 years of sailing experience, including racing, cruising, and deliveries. Jim now sails a Heritage West Indies 36.

He has raced Clearwater to Key West every year since 1988 on his boat as navigator and has trophied three times. He has raced every Kahlua Cup since 1987. Wins also include race to Isla Mujeres on a Farr 36' and a third place in the "Key to the Gulf" regatta with a Cuban crew. The list goes on.... His cruising experience covers West Coast of Florida, trips to Cuba, Pensacola Bay, Dry Tortugas and the Miami/Bimini area.

The Duncans feel that Melbourne Yacht Club will provide the style of sailing and social interaction that they are familiar with. Jim also believes that he will be able to bring his experience as a sailor and race organizer to benefit MYC.

Welcome Aboard!
Robert A. Boska

**Friday the 13th
'Burn-It'**

Join us on August 13
for another summer Burn-It

You Bring

Your main dish to grill
(steak knives if you want 'em)

We supply

Baked Potato

Salad

Dinner Rolls

Dessert

\$4.00 Per Person

No Reservations
Necessary



Grill Ready for cookin' at 6:30

**Pizza Raft-Up
August 24**

Raft Up with all your MYC Friends
off the Melbourne Beach Pier

**Pizza Delivered
Hot to Your Boat**

\$3.00 Per Person
(Bring your own drinks)



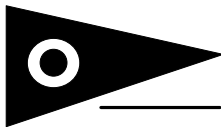
Reservations Required

Call Sally Anderson @ 773-6848

(With your name, boat name, boat size,
number of people, & type of pizza you prefer)

Raft starts building at 7pm, big boats first
Raft breaks up at 11pm, sharp.

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missions is the first Wednesday of the month.
All MYC members are encouraged to submit
articles or notices of interest to the Club.*

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