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Small Boat Regatta October 7-8

420, Open Bic, Optimist Gold & Silver, Laser, Sunfish, Portsmouth.

Entry fee: \$20; Wicking Shirts: SS \$15, LS \$20; BYO food to grill Saturday.

<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15371>

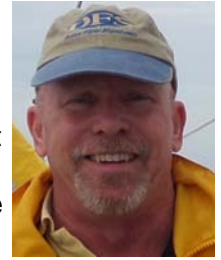
Big Boat Regatta October 14-15

J-24, PHRF A, PHRF B, Lagoon Cruiser

Entry fee: \$30; Wicking Shirts: SS \$15, LS \$20; Regatta Dinner \$15



Commodore's Log



August was certainly a hot one, WOW I can still feel the heat. We tried to get some stuff happening, but sometimes the weather simply wouldn't cooperate. Nonetheless, the TGIFs were great, as was getting on the water whenever you could. Entertainment Director **Sunny Heck** kept the food and good times going every Friday, so if you haven't been down in

a while, you really need to!

On another note, have you been down to help out at the club lately? If not, come on down and bring your ideas and spirit. There are lots of projects, both big and small, that we'll be tackling this fall, and with the cooler weather coming, now's the time to get involved. If you need assistance finding a place to pitch in and help out, let me know and I'll get you going in the right direction. We all need to do our part to make the club the vibrant place it has always been, and the way we want to keep it. With that said, take some time and come on down to one of the committee meetings, or simply get ready to help out in one of the upcoming work parties. You'll feel better; I know I do.

So let's have a great fall season. Remember, it's your club, and when you're not here, a piece of the club is missing.

Eric Stord / Commodore

P.S. On a sad note, Patricia (Pat) Hughes, mother of Past Commodore **Bob Hughes** passed in the loving company of her family on the 30th. Pat was a really, really, great lady, and she will be missed. As with all of our family and friends departed from our shore, we wish Pat "Fair Winds and Following Seas" on her final journey to the distant shore, where she will be greeted and kept company by the old friends, family and others who have made the journey before her, on the path to the loving arms of our Lord, the Father.

Grog Locker



No problems with the Bar & Kitchen this month. We did a total of \$2,504 in chit sales for August, which is a little above the average. The committee has been active cleaning the bar pantry refrigerator, keg cooler and ice maker. I have to thank **Sunny Heck** for the party on Sunday, August 20th. It turned out to be a great event. The bar and bartenders did very well!

At the last general meeting, it was suggested we look at the tax being paid on non-member chit sales. I discussed tax payment of non-member chits with **Jan McNally**, our bookkeeper, and **Tom Kjerulff**, our treasurer. It was suggested that we continue to sell non-member chit sales in \$5.00 increments but change what is given back to the customer, taking a \$.50 service charge, which will cover the tax. By keeping this sales structure, we will not have to get into making change for everyone. This new pricing for "Non-Member Chit" sales was approved by the MYC Board and will go into effect October 1st, 2017.

The club did very well through the Hurricane Irma. There were only a few leaks around the fireplace, which we have had in the past. The power stayed on at the club until almost midnight on Monday morning. Those that remained at the club need to be thanked for keeping many of the boats safe by adjusting lines throughout the storm: **Sunny Heck & Russ Pappas, Dean Butler, and Dave Silverman.**

Page Proffitt / Bar and Kitchen Director

Space Coast Sailing News

With the start of the school year, the fall semester of Space Coast Sailing has begun. The varsity team is still settling but approximately 6-8 HS students sail 420s at Melbourne YC on Wednesday and Sunday afternoons. Simultaneously, approximately 10 fifth-eighth grade students sail O'pen BICs out of Eau Gallie YC. We are



House

The House Committee has had another busy month doing a wide variety of activities around the MYC campus. We have several major projects that we working on to improve the campus buildings and landscape.



The good news is the MYC campus made out very well during Hurricane Irma. Before the hurricane we had the property prepped for the pending weather. After the storm, we ended up having some cleanup activities picking up debris and removing the window covers. Special thanks to **Page Proffitt** and **Sunny Heck**, who helped with all efforts related to the hurricane. I also want to thank the many other folks that helped ensure the club was ready for the storm and all the post-storm activities. Thank you.

The House Committee reviewed different options for updating the clubhouse roof. The committee determined that we should repair the roof. We have signed an agreement with a roofing company to complete the work. They will also fix the downspout on the NW corner of the clubhouse. The work should start soon, subject to the impact of Hurricane Irma.

With the hurricane activities, we moved a little more slowly these past few weeks to prepare for removing the tire store. We have a company lined up to remove the building. We expect to make more progress very soon. If you have any items in the tire store please remove them as soon as possible.

In case you didn't know, we have a lost and found box near the fireplace. If you may have lost something (clothes, lifejackets, water bottles, coolers, etc.) over the past year or so at the club, please check for it in the box. We plan on donating the items shortly if they are not picked up soon.

In addition, we have been busy taking care of other items around the club concerning general upkeep. The list includes:

Deck section replacement: On hold for now until cooler time of year – will select another date

Commodore's Ball: Working some of the details about the Ball at this time.

General upkeep of campus

Gregg Kowalski//Rear Commodore/House

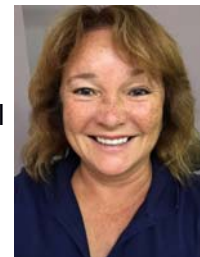
Observations from the Hurricane Irma

Having stayed at the club for the hurricane, Page Proffitt would like to pass on to our members some lessons learned, for next time. Page stayed for Hurricane Mathew and walked the docks, but Irma was much more powerful making it impossible a lot of the time to get even close to the boats to check the lines.

1. Make sure the Eye End of the line is on the boat and the adjustment is on the dock. This allows someone to adjust the boat without getting on board, which is much too dangerous!
2. Tie to piling where ever possible; cleats can always come loose.
3. Take off all sails, biminis and dodgers. Page went to a number of marinas in Brevard and observed roller furling headsails tattered and blown apart.
4. Don't use old Dacron sheet lines to tie up with. Dacron is designed not to stretch, which puts a strain on all connecting points.
5. Double tie your boat. Page used 15 separate lines on his boat, which saved it from damage. Also think of the rising water. The connection point on your boat will rise; this time it was more than five feet and could have been much more. Keep your lines long by cross tying where possible.

Remember, you are not just saving your boat, but all the boats your boat could take out by coming loose!

Entertainment



Robin Floyd celebrated her birthday at the club on Friday, September 15, 2017. This wonderful birthday bash featured live music, dancing, free appetizers, and Robin's favorite Florida Lager beer. Tom Kjerulff sang a special Happy Birthday solo to the birthday girl. If you missed this great party, please wish Robin a belated happy birthday!

The Seafood Raft Up originally scheduled for April 8th has been rescheduled to Saturday November 4th. The date is ideal, with sunset and moonrise at about the same time. All we need to make it perfect is for more boats to sign up.

This event was started by **Hasty Miller** and has had as many as 20 boats participate at the same time. The seafood dinner is prepackaged and brought on board to eat and socialize. **Del Wiese** has taken the lead on the Seafood Raft Up this year, and he's looking for five volunteers to help pack the food at the club for about an hour prior to leaving the dock. This year's dinner will include shrimp, seafood dip, potato salad, cole slaw and a surprise dessert — all for only \$16.

Email sign-ups are preferred but Del will take them via phone, pony express or whatever way you prefer. Let him know if you have any questions or comments/suggestions for improving the venue.

After the rum race on Sunday, November 19, 2017 we have tentatively scheduled a time for **Dick Tillman's** 81 birthday and **Linda Tillman's** celebration of life! We will have food, and a special toast. Bring your best memories and stories. Forward any pictures of the couple you may have, and we'll have the slide show on the TVs. Come out to celebrate these people so special to the club.

It is not too soon to think about Christmas! Mark your calendars, December 9th, from 5 until 8 pm! **Gail Martin** graciously accepted the responsibility to chair the MYC 2017 Christmas Party. **Jerry Ross** cheerfully agreed to bring Santa and a few Elves in on Sleighride. **Amy Lacy** will take care of the presents for the kids, and read a Christmas story. **Cathy Kowalski** will be Mrs. Claus again this year. Please, let Gail know what you can do to help with this wonderful event.

Lynn Duerbeck volunteered to chair the New Year's Party this year! Please, tell Lynn what you can do to make this yearly event a great success!

If you have an event or an activity that you would like to see happen at the club, please, let me know, or drop a note into the suggestion box. We can never have too much fun!



Fleet



As I write this, we have secured MYC as best we can for Hurricane Irma. The club's small boats were taken inside or to the upper parking lot and east yard. We had to cancel the Mermaid Regatta and Rum Racing. The hurricane shutters were up and most of the boats at the docks were prepared and secured for the storm.

On the bright side, we can look forward to the fall regattas in October. Links to Information and to sign up are as follows:

Small Boat Weekend: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15371>

Big Boat Weekend: <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/15402>

Please sign up as soon as possible so that we can plan properly. On each site, there is an on-line storefront where anyone may pre-purchase a regatta shirt. If you are entering the regatta you can purchase one (or more) with your entry. The last day to pre-order a shirt and insure that you get one is September 22nd.

John Fox/ Rear Commodore/ Fleet

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very thankful to both yacht clubs for all their strong support and allowing us to sail at their facilities. Irma has temporarily curtailed our activities but we looking forward to resuming operations as soon as possible. Our first

regatta of the year is planned to be at Ft. Pierce on September 24th. This regatta is part of the Treasure Coast Youth Sailing Series. MYC will host one of the series regattas on November 12.

On September 20, the Annual Meeting of the Space Coast Sailing Education Foundation, Inc will be held at 6:30 pm at MYC. All interested people are invited to attend to meet the sailors and coaches as well as hear a review of the past year. In addition, our plans for 2017-2018 school year and beyond will be pre-

2017 Seafood Raft-up

Rescheduled for Saturday 4 November

\$16 per adult/\$8 under 12

(tax not included)



2012 Raft-up courtesy of Ross Herbert

Time Schedule

- 6:00 pm – Skippers meeting
- 6:20 pm – Sign in and get the meals for your boat.
- 6:40 pm – Leave the dock
- 7:00 pm - Hasty's Race for the Wine (instructions at the Skippers meeting)
- 8:00 pm - Raft up complete
- 11:00 pm – Raft Break Up

Menu

Shrimp, fish dip/crackers, potato salad, Cole slaw, dessert.

Please bring your own drinks

Reservations

Deadline for reservations is midnight Monday 30 October

Please identify what boat you are making reservations for. Send reservations to del@sailordel.com or home phone 321-773-4884. If you need a ride on a boat we will help you find one. If you are allergic to seafood or need sides only, please contact Del.



September 24, 2017 – November 4, 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
24 SCS Practice 12 to 3 Bar Opens at 2PM	25	26 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	27 SCS Practice 3 to 6:30	28	29 TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	30
Oct 1 SCS Practice 12 to 3 Small Boat Racing Bar Opens at 2PM	2 Board Meeting 6:00	3 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	4 SCS Practice 3 to 6:30 Membership Meeting 6:30pm	5	6 Rum Race TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	7 Fall Small Boat Regatta
8 Fall Small Boat Regatta Bar Opens at 2PM	9	10 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	11 SCS Practice 3 to 6:30	12 Annual Adult Pram Races 5 to 7 pm	13 TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	14 Fall Big Boat Regatta
15 Fall Big Boat Regatta Bar Opens at 2PM	16	17 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	18	19	20 TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	21
22 Rum Race 1 to 4 Bar Opens at 2PM	23	24 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	25	26	27 Rum Race TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	28
29 Bar Opens at 2PM	30 Board Meeting 6:00	31 Arts n' Crafts Crew 10am	Nov 1 Membership Meeting 6:30pm	2	3 TGIF Bar opens at 5:00	4 Dragon Point Women's Race Seafood Raft-up

Bulletin Board

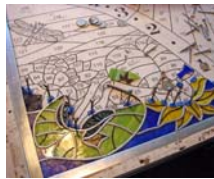


INVOICE REMINDER: Please remember to use (and print clearly) the PRIMARY MEMBER'S LAST NAME on all purchases; Bar Checks, House Checks, Bosun Locker Checks, etc., including membership number. Also, please include your membership number on personal checks, so bookkeeping errors can be kept to a minimum.

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ARTS-N-CRAFT CREW Every Tuesday morning at 10:00 AM.



US Sailing Number

MYC is a cooperating group member with Boat US. The Group ID Number is **GA80782Y** and can be used to sign up for half-price Boat US Memberships.

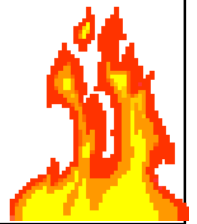
Tabs and Box Tops Challenge



The Entertainment Committee of MYC is challenging the membership to fill, fill, and keep on filling the containers which have been placed in the bar area.

WARNING

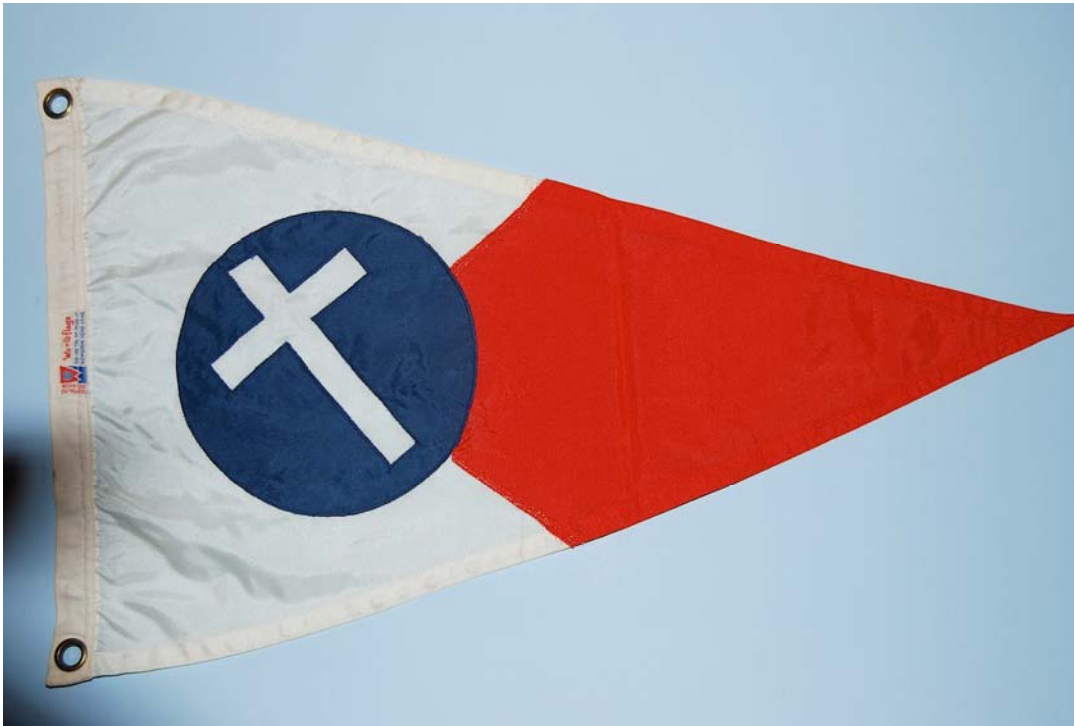
**FUEL STORAGE IS NEVER ALLOWED IN THE ANNEX!
NOT EVEN A LITTLE!!**



Help Needed

We are looking for club members who are willing to help with our Tell-Tale newsletter. We will provide the training and the software. We also need proof readers. If you are willing to help please contact any of our board members.

Mystery Burgee



Do you know which Yacht Club this burgee represents? If you do, please provide the following to our club secretary:

Burgee Represents:
<Club>

Burgee From: <Location>

Burgee Donation date:

Burgee Donor: <Name>

MYC Donor: <Name>

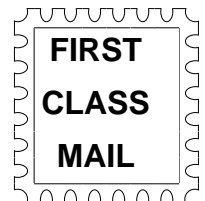
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The Tell Tale is the official newsletter of the Melbourne Yacht Club. Deadline for submissions is the first Wednesday of the month. All MYC members are encouraged to submit articles or notices of interest to the Club.



October 7-8, 2017
MYC Fall Small Boat Regatta

October 14-15, 2017
MYC Fall Big Boat Regatta

November 4, 2017
Dragon Point Women's Race

November 4, 2017
MYC Seafood Raft-Up

December 9, 2017
MYC Christmas Party