



MYC Tell-Tale

March 2021

Melbourne Yacht Club Newsletter

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Commodore

What did you do to improve Melbourne Yacht Club last month? For March, Rear Commodore Paul Henderson needs your help around the House. Chuck Tanner will find a job for you at the Junior Series Regatta on March 21. Corey Small needs volunteers for the Junior programs, including Spring Break, March 15 -19, and the Home School programs on Monday / Thursday Optimist classes.

MYC is cautiously coming back alive, several cruising programs were presented last month, later this month we will have an Annual Awards presentation to replace the Commodore's Ball. A more fun event will be an interclub Corn Hole Tournament.

Frank Hjuher our Entertainment Director has all sorts of new ideas for you to get involved with. With all that is planned I need to encourage everyone to please respect others' space and wear your masks, especially inside the club house. I also suggest that you enjoy the outside on the deck while the weather is tolerable. Some concerns that have been brought to my attention include; the Front Door to the clubhouse, the annex door and side gates have been left ajar.

**Taking out a
MYC Club Boat?**

Please report
MYC Club Boat Use

Something Broken or
Missing?
Let us know



Check over the boat - see
checklist
Scan the code
Fill in the MYC Club Boat form
Thanks!

If you notice there is no one around and the club is open please close it. If the doors are unlocked there is a timer that will “lock” them, but you too can enter a code to assure that they lock. If you need the code, please call me or Paul or any other Board member.

MYC owns a “Fleet” of boats including support boats, 420s, Optimist and Lasers. Make sure to use the QR code to record the use of the boats.

Report any damage if there should be any. * Look for the signs, scan the code with your phone.

Do you have any suggestions how MYC should display the trophies we have? If you would like to take charge and redesign the trophy cases please contact me. Also, it is time to make our parking lot look pretty, any ideas?

Spring is coming and it is a fine time to be out on the water. Use your boats, invite your friends. Promote MYC. As expected resignation of membership is high this season, please act as an MYC ambassador and recruit new members. Keep Gail Martin, MYC’s Membership Director busy.

See you March 26 at the Awards Ceremony.

Today - Sunday March 7, was a fun day of Rum Racing on the Indian River. The idyllic conditions were exaggerated with 35 knot gusts. Our skills and techniques were tested to their Max. Six boats of the usual 15+ ventured out and all made it around the two laps successfully and safely, creating great stories in the bar afterward. I was glad to see there was participation, but I was also very pleased that a number of skippers and crews recognized their limitations and decided to remain in safe harbor. Remember it is the Skipper’s responsibility to determine if they should race or not.



Dave Noble
MYC Commodore



Docks / Vice Commodore

Ahoy members. From members moving boats, members leaving and vacating their slips, measuring slip widths and dealing with disused boats and lack of registration and proof of insurance, the Dock Director job is proving to be busy.

Slip W09 was vacated by Jim and Amy Lacy. An email went out announcing its availability. The slip is a 36 foot slip with a 16 foot width. So far about five members have expressed interest. Members on the waiting list have until March 15 to let me know if they are interested. The next step will be to measure to test for fit.

Peggy Snead's boat was moved from E01R to W06 because of the width of the pilings. Peter Fischel moved his boat from W06 to E12L. Depending on another move to E01R I will have another slip opening up soon. As soon as I know I will announce its availability.

With regard to disused boats, I would like to refer every slip occupant to review the bylaws in the MYC 2020 directory pages 39 thru 41. Most boat owners take care of their boats but there are a few boat owners that for whatever reason are not keeping their boat ship shape. I will be sending out warnings and implementing the policy of the club. (paragraph 6 page 41).

There are a number of boats without proof of insurance and registration. Again, I refer you to the MYC 2020 directory page 38. The board has approved and will implement a penalty of \$50 per month to each slip occupant once the policy is published in the 2021 directory. **Paul Henderson** and previous Dock Directors and Board of Directors have not been able to resolve this issue. Our insurance, in the event you cause damage to the docks or to other boats in the marina, has subrogation rights and will make you and your insurance company pay or share in the loss. Without proper insurance you are exposed. MYC insurance requires all slip occupants to carry and show proof of insurance of at least \$300,000 for property damage and liability.

The month of April is when we renew dock rental agreements. (rule #14 page 36). Along with these renewal agreements I want to see proof of insurance and registration with the renewal agreement.

This is all I have for now. The first month as Docks has been educational and I want to thank **Paul Henderson** and **Robert Van Name** for their guidance.

Please keep safe.



Robert Scott
Vice Commodore, Director
Docks



House / Rear Commodore

Spring is in the air and the leaves are falling. We had a House committee club clean-up last month and I would like to thank Robert Scott, Michelle Jennings, Pat Stadt and Dean Butler for all their hard work, well done - Thank You. Also, I would like to thank Hasty Miller for helping get the last of the storm shutters down.

The House committee will be meeting this month to discuss and lay-out plans for the coming year. If you are interested in being on the House Committee, please contact me and let me know.

As a reminder, the club parking behind the gate is for club members only. Guests of club members can park in the front of the club or across the street in the old tire store parking lot. So members, please remind your guests of the MYC policy.

See you out on the water –



Paul Henderson
Rear Commodore, Director
House

Bar

February chit sales were \$1480 – not up to past years' totals, but a significant increase over January.

The bar will continue to be open on Friday evening and Sunday afternoon. Please remember that masks are required in the clubhouse, unless members are seated. There is no seating at the bar – please wear your masks when ordering drinks, and keep them on until you get to your table. We will continue to have the windows and doors open whenever possible.

The bar will also be open for the St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 17 (with some Irish drink specials) and for the corn-hole tournament on April 3.

Please consider joining the bar committee. As we add more events, we will need more volunteers to help out. You don't need to have bartending experience – most members drink beer, wine, or drinks like Mt. Gay and coke or vodka and tonic. We'll show you how to make a Dark and Stormy and you will have everyone covered.

As always, if anyone has any suggestions, questions, or comments (especially about ways to encourage social distancing), please contact me, either at the club or by phone or e-mail. My e-mail is timothywilliams@cfl.rr.com, my cell phone is (321) 794-7040.



Tim Williams
Bar Director

Entertainment

As we emerge from the pandemic, the Entertainment committee is working on a full calendar of events. In the near term, we have the St. Patrick's Day Party on Wednesday, March 17th, the Awards Ceremony on Friday, March 26th, and the Cornhole Tournament on Saturday, April 3rd.

The St. Patrick's Day Party will be held at the club from 6:30 to 9:00 PM. We will serve corned beef and cabbage, vegetables, bread, and dessert. Admission is \$10 in advance, \$12 day of the event. There will be bar specials, a trivia contest, and lots of fun! Contact Frank Hujber at fhujber@hotmail.com or (609) 575-2479 for reservations.

The MYC Awards Ceremony will be held in conjunction with TGIF on Friday March 26. The ceremony will start at 7:00 with light finger food starting at about 6:00. There will be no admission fee, however, please RSVP to Frank Hujber via email at fhujber@hotmail.com.

MYC will hold a cornhole tournament in Saturday afternoon April 3, starting at 2:00 PM. Entrants will be in pairs, and it will be a double elimination tournament. We're working on prizes. The bar will be open and there will be food for sale. There is an entry fee of \$10 per entry pair. Contact Dean Butler to reserve your slot now! Ebutle143@gmail.com.

As you may be aware, the Club is considering adding a pool table. There are several locations under consideration. Look for a survey in your email inbox in the coming days so that you can cast your vote as to the location.

As always, your suggestions and comments are invited! Reach me at fhujber@hotmail.com or (609) 575-2479.



***Frank Hujber, Director
Entertainment***

Fleet

The past month MYC hosted two Small Boat Sundays thanks to Karen Vander Meyden, Karen Snowden and Art Crocker, with another being cancelled due to high winds. We also had two more 2021 Winter Rum Race Series. The February WOW race was cancelled due to high winds. The Full Moon race was held on Feb 27. It was a beautiful evening with an exciting course set by Pat Lambert. The full Moon is coming around again on March 27. That's a Saturday so come on out for a beautiful evening sail and just spectate if you don't want to race.

Our second seminar on Sunday Feb 21 on cruising Florida was presented by **Page Proffit** and was well attended by 30+ persons. We (Page) have brought in significant audiences for these two talks about cruising. Hopefully we can continue these seminars to keep people coming in. We may set up a member recruitment or sign in desk to capture emails. Suggestions?

The Key Largo, Whaler engine swap was scheduled for the first week of March - much earlier than expected, thanks Valerie, Dean, and Art. Unfortunately, we discovered some potential issues with the Key Largo and we are investigating the hull integrity.

The MYC Dick Tillman Race Week (aka Spring Regatta) is coming up with the big boats sailing on April 17-18 and the small boats on April 25. Please note we have flipped the dates to adjust for conflicts with St Augustine race week. We have been in contact with Brian Gilcher, Florida Laser Fleet Secretary, who has listed the spring and fall regattas as Laser Grand Prix events. This will bring in a few more Laser sailors, fingers crossed. Dave has signed up Kurt Taulbee from Sailfit to do the one-day Laser seminar sponsored by the Tillman Family on April 24. More information coming soon. The club has three Lasers, two of which have been reserved for the seminar. If you own a Laser and aren't going to attend the seminar, please consider donating your boat to be used on Saturday. SPECIAL FLYER on the Tillman Laser seminar soon. NORs for both races will be published soon on the MYC website – On The Water. We need to get approval from FIT to use the Anchorage for launching and retrieving dinghies in support of the Small Boat weekend and permission from the condo to allow transit to MYC. Karen Van der Meyden will be PRO for the Big Boat Weekend, thanks Karen for volunteering. Pat Lambert will be PRO of the Small Boat Weekend, thanks Pat. Dinners for the Big Boat regatta will be directed by Entertainment (estimating 50 dinners) and hot dogs \$1 on Sunday at Awards. Small Boat will have box lunches for the participants in the seminar. Hot dogs on Sunday after the race for \$1. I need to finalize costs and budget. T shirts may be pre-ordered for \$25 for LS tech and \$15 for SS cotton poly super soft (your new favorite shirt).

Del Weise has resigned his MYC membership. He was the local chair of the PHRF inter yacht club committee. We need a MYC member to fill a position on the committee. We also need someone to assist Hasty in club ratings to take the flack for being the face and voice in the club for this.

The Youth regatta is coming up on March 21. Phil Spletter gave an update on this event and all of his efforts are amazing in running this event. Thanks will be forthcoming to all of you that have committed time and boats to this event. The scoring seminar is on March 13 from 930 to 1130. The future members of MYC are the youth sailors and their families so please help Phil make this regatta a success. Please volunteer!

I would like to schedule a date(s) for a cruise to Marker 21 and to Cocoa Beach /Titusville for a Canaveral night launch raft up or some other activity. I just got an email from PCYC and they aren't into racing but are planning some fun sounding events including a sailing-only fishing tournament.

I need volunteers or suggestions for the Fleet Committee. Almost everyone from the previous committee and some new ones continue to support Fleet in many ways. That help takes off some of the pressure of keeping all the balls in the air for running Fleet. Thanks again **to Karen V, Art C, Dean B, Suzanne D, Larry E, Robert S, Karen W, Peter F, Phil S and Phil S (there are two).**



***Chuck Tanner, Director
Fleet***



Sailing Ed

Spread the word! Melbourne Yacht Club is now taking registration for adult classes and summer kids camps. We have a new schedule, new staff, and exciting new curricula to offer. Scheduled classes include:

- Adult Sailing Classes. US Sailing Level 1 Small Boat Certification Course. 16 hours long, open to adults and teenagers.
 - March Session: March 18 and ending the 28th
 - April Session: April 01 and ending the 11th
- Spring Break Camp: week long camp for ages 8-13 in Optimist prams. 9am - 4pm, March 15th - March 19th (only a few spots left)
- Summer Camps, 9am - 4pm Monday through Friday starting June 7th and ending August 6th:
 - June 7 - June 11: Beginner Opti & 420
 - June 14 - June 18: Intermediate Opti & 420
 - June 21 - June 25th: Adventure Camp

 - June 28 - July 2: Beginner Opti & 420
 - July 5 - July 9: Intermediate Opti & 420
 - July 12 - July 16: Adventure Camp

 - July 19 - July 23: Beginner Opti & 420
 - July 26 - July 30: Intermediate Opti & 420
 - August 2 - August 6: Adventure Camp

At MYC we are really proud of our **Adventure Camp** program. While the beginner and intermediate camps focus on learning the fundamentals of sailing in a fun way, the Adventure Camps offer the chance for campers to put their sailing skills to work. Campers get the opportunity to day sail larger vessels on the intracoastal waterway under the supervision of our sailing instructors. There are fun destinations along the Indian River lagoon so pack a lunch and join us!



As always, visit the MYC website and click the *Sailing Classes* link at the top, or go directly to www.mycsailinged.com for more details.

There is a lot of behind-the-scenes work that goes on to make our adult and summer camps work. Volunteers are still needed for the above classes, *especially* the upcoming times:

- March 15 - 19, Spring Break Camp: 9 am - 4 pm. Assist staff with boat launching and recovery, as well as other on-land activities. Still need 1 - 2 volunteers each day.
- March 20th, 27th, 28th, 9 am - 1 pm. Adult class on water activities. Assist students with launching and recovery of boats, as well as on-water activities on the coach boat. Still need one volunteer each day.



Volunteering need not be for the entire day -- any amount of volunteering is greatly appreciated. Please contact Corey Small at 228-223-0354 or coreysmall3@gmail.com to volunteer, sign up for an adult class or summer camp, or just ask a question.



***Corey Small. Director
Sailing Education***

Space Coast Youth Sailing

Space Coast Sailing participants continue to practice under all but the worst conditions and it is showing. We currently are in the top three for the FL East Coast Youth Series for all three classes. Our next regatta will be at Melbourne YC on March 21. A little more sleep on Sunday morning and home cooking should

help the team sail well. In April the advanced 420 group will attend a high level regatta in St. Augustine. That same weekend there will be a FECYS regatta in Vero Beach so the team will be on the move.

Check us out on Instagram at spacecoastsailing for the latest team news. There are some really good pictures and videos of our sailors in action.

None of this would be possible without all who support to our program including EGYC and MYC as well as Southern Pine Lumber, Ciao Bella, Porsche, Audi and Mercedes Benz of Melbourne, Longdoggers, Flavin, Nooney and Person, Intracoastal Brewing, FPL, Keron LLC, Sleighride, Goin' Deep, Ginny II, Mamook, Vanderveer Properties, Phantom, the Heinen and Braselton families, Firm Options, Santarella, Ferguson's Automotive and Marine, Coppercoat USA, Noble Awards and Craig Rastello, CPA

Phil Spletter
Space Coast Sailing

Membership

February inquiries for prospective members have been contacted, invited to the Club and sent membership information.

Provisional Members: Robert & Linda Masterson

There have been three Resignations since our last meeting:

Resident = 126, Non-Resident = 16, Corinthian = 2, Emeritus = 5, Junior Resident = 5, Provisional = 1, Extended Provisional = 0, Honorary = 7)

Gail Martin
Membership Director

For Sale

1988 Pearson 27-2

Westerbeke 10hp diesel, roller furling 135 Genoa. Full Bimini w/Dodger.
Many features. \$12,500
Call/text or talk to John Martin at 321-432-5213 or
Email at jhmartin@mindspring.com

1997 Nissan/Tohatsu 5hp.

Has forward, neutral and reverse. In great
shape. Starts right up. \$600
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2006 Tohatsu 3.5hp

Has forward and neutral. Looks and runs like new.
Used very little. Starts right up. \$500
Price includes stand
Call/text or talk to John Martin at 321-432-5213
or Email jhmartin@mindspring.com

2012 West Marine 8.' inflatable

with oars and motor mount. \$350
Call/text or talk to John Martin at 321-432-5213
or Email jhmartin@mindspring.com

Calendar

MARCH 2021

Mar 3 - General Meeting
Mar 7 - IRYC Sunday Winter Race # 3
Mar 7 - Rum Race
Mar 13 - Dragon point Winter # 3
Mar 14 - Daylight Saving (Start)
Mar 14 - Small Boat Sunday
Mar 17 - St. Patrick's Day @ MYC
Mar 17 - IRYC Wednesday Night Series
Mar 19 - Rum Race
Mar 20 - Women on Water
Mar 21 - Space Coast Sailing Youth Regatta
Mar 24 - IRYC Wednesday Night Series
Mar 26 - MYC Awards Ceremony
Mar 27 - Full Moon Series # 3
Mar 31 - IRYC Wednesday Night Series

Adult Class Mar 18,20,21,25,27 (28)

Kids Beginner Opti Mar 15-19

Kids Beginner 420 Mar 15-19

APRIL 2021

Apr 1 - April Fool's Day
Apr 2 - Rum Race
Apr 3 - IRYC Flying Scot Space Coast Invitational
Apr 3 - Women on Water
Apr 3 - Cornhole Tournament
Apr 4 - Easter
Apr 7 - General Meeting
Apr 10 - Dragon Point Winter # 4
Apr 11 - Small Boat Sunday
Apr 16 - Rum Race
Apr 17-18 - MYC Dick Tillman Spring Race Week Big Boat Regatta
Apr 18 - IRYC Sunday Winter Race # 4
Apr 22 - Earth Day
Apr 24 - MYC Dick Tillman Race Week Laser seminar
Apr 25 - MYC Dick Tillman Spring Race Week Small Boat Regatta (Laser Grand Prix)
Apr 27 - Full Moon Series # 4
Apr 30 - Rum Race

Adult Class Apr 1,3,4,8,10 (11)

MAY 2021

May 1 - Women on Water

See these area sailing sites for calendar updates

- <https://www.melbourneyachtclub.com/Calendar.php>
 - <http://www.sailspacecoast.com/calendar/>
 - <https://mycsailinged.com/schedule>
 - <https://mycsailinged.com/summer-camp-schedule>
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INVOICE REMINDER

Please remember to use (and print clearly) the PRIMARY MEMBER'S LAST NAME and membership number on all purchases; Bar Checks, House Checks, Bosun Locker Checks, etc. Also, please include your membership number on personal checks.

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.

Warning

Fuel storage is never allowed in the Annex!

Not even a little!!



ARTS-N-CRAFT CREW

First and third Tuesday morning of each month at 10:00 AM.

MYC Book Club

The MYC Book Club meets the last Thursday of the month at 10:30am at the yacht club. We welcome new members both men and women.

Susan Kiser is taking over the co-ordinating from Amy Lacey Contact Sue Kiser at susankiser551@yahoo.com for more information about the current month's selection.

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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.
