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ABYC ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

- June 02 Evening with Sara Mac Band
- June 03 Board Meeting (cancelled) Membership Meeting
- June 09 Smith Regatta Dinner
- June 10 Clubhouse Reserved for a Private Event
- June 24 Changes In Attitude
- June 25 Dinghy Race

Come and Enjoy the Fun!!

Commodore's Comments

Cam Whitlock

The month of May has continued the momentum of sailing activities on the heels of the Smith Regatta. PHRF races five and six are in the books and as this newsletter is released, ABYC members will have made the sail over to Dog Island to celebrate the Memorial Day holiday.

If you are still looking for something for that young sailor in your life to do for the month of June, the Apalachee Bay Community Sail 2017 Youth Camp is just around the corner. For more information, see the Social Coordinator's column (or reach out to An-

gel Ganey) for additional details and registration information.

During the May Board Meeting, the Board voted to move forward with financing for some much needed maintenance projects. The projects to be undertaken include an upgrade to the seawall, replacement of floatation for the finger piers, replacement of failing wood on the dock, dock paint, new electrical service to the docks, and new dock pedestals. Each of these projects is required either to maintain the assets of the Club or to provide a safe environment for our members. The wood seawall is failing and has a limited lifespan of less than 2 years before we start seeing catastrophic failure. The docks are in a similar state of deterioration. The electrical circuits serving the docks need to be upgraded meet code requirements as well as serve the power needs of the member boats. We are shooting to kick off the project in the fall. We are working to finalize details and secure bids for the work. Feel free to contact me, if you have any suggestions or questions regarding this project.

As if the seawall and docks project aren't enough, we are also planning some furniture upgrades and minor renovations to the clubhouse bathrooms over the summer. These projects are being funded by a fundraiser with opportunities for members to purchase cocktail tables for the bar area or two chairs for the meeting room. Contact me or Maxi Glenn

to make your contribution today.
Fair Winds and Following Seas!

Vice Commodore's Corner

Jimmy Lee

As we now have 6 completed races in the 2017 Spring Series, the two worst scores for each boat were thrown out. The June make-up day will not be used. The final standing of the series is on page 6. I want to say once again, thanks to everyone that volunteered for being race committee this season. It was a great addition to the racing to have them out on the water with us.

The Fall PHRF series has already been scheduled and can be viewed on the Team up calendar. I should be sending an e-mail out with the goal of starting in the Fall to remind everyone and give the dates.

To bridge the gap between the Spring and Fall PHRF races, I have scheduled two casual beer can races in July to take place later in the afternoon when the sea

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MEETING NOTICE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- June 03, 2017
- Social - 1800
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breezes fill in. The races will be on July 1st and July 15th and I hope we can get a lot of boats out on the water.

Jr. Board Member Report Social Report and Plans

Angel Ganey

Join us for an evening with the Sarah Mac Band on Friday, June 2, at the ABYC clubhouse, brought to you by Jim Bailey and Kris Hebert. A \$15 cover charge will be collected at the door; all proceeds go directly to the band. Please remember to bring cash, as this is not an ABYC billable event. Bar opens at 6:30 PM and the concert starts at 7:00 PM. Remember to bring your bar tokens!

ABYC's monthly membership meeting and potluck takes place on Saturday, June 3rd. This meeting is a great way to meet Club members and to learn about all that is going on with the Club. Bring a dish to share for the potluck supper. Cocktails begin at 6:00 pm; dinner is served buffet-style at 7:00 PM; the membership meeting begins at 7:45 PM, followed by a program at 8:00 PM.

Apalachee Bay Community Sailing's Summer Youth Sail Camps take place June 5-9, June 12-16, and June 19-23. The second week of camp is full, but there is still room for campers in the first and third weeks. Please contact me if you know of someone who would like to attend.

The Summer Youth Sail Camp sessions will conclude with a Regatta on Saturday, June 24, followed by a mid-day BBQ at the ABYC clubhouse for sail campers, their parents, and ABYC members. This is a fun event to bring every-

one together and to close out the Summer Youth Sail Camp series. The always fun Changes in Attitudes (CIA) soCIAI takes place the evening of June 24th. Last year Nell Johnston hosted with her wonderful homemade ice cream, which we hope to have later this summer; however, Nell is unable to host the June CIA.

I am looking for a volunteer(s) to host the CIA, perhaps with a dessert theme following the sail camp BBQ and to acknowledge the Summer Sailstice...a Sweet Sailstice Soirée, perhaps. Contact me if you are interested. If you haven't hosted a CIA before let me know so maybe you can buddy up with someone who has, which makes it a whole lot easier!!!

Purser's Report

Maxine Glenn

When you receive an email with the subject "Invoice from Apalachee Bay Yacht Club", the balance due is ONLY the amount for your current Club activity. To see if there is also an outstanding balance you need to click on "View Invoice", which will include any balance due.

I could not find any way to have the email reflect the total due to the Club. This is an ongoing learning process, so if you have any concerns about your bill, please contact me as noted below or if you have any solutions, I would love to know what they are!

I have gone to Long Island for the summer, if you have any questions, you can email me at mbg1215@netzero.net or call me at 516-695-0332.

Rear Commodore's Corner

Dan Rocawich

If you see something that needs replaced or repaired, please let me know.

Smith Regatta Thank You!

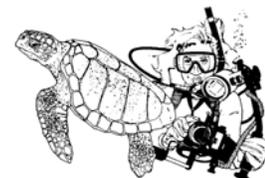
Don Reeder

This year's Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta was a resounding success, thanks to all of the volunteers from Apalachee Bay Yacht Club and the Shell Point Sailboard Club. The numbers aren't in yet but it appears that this is going to be record breaking year for the contribution to the American Cancer Society. The weather was fantastic and the attendance was record breaking. Thanks to the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club and it's volunteers for hosting the dinner Saturday night.

Smith Regatta Fund Raising Report

Angel Ganey

The Smith Regatta Foundation held it's semi-annual meeting and regatta wrap up this week and agreed that the donation to the American Cancer Society will be \$16,000 (!)...our goal was \$15,000 for the year.



ABYC Board Meeting

Draft Minutes

Please be aware that the minutes upon which this draft is based have not been approved by the Board. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy, but errors may inadvertently be present.

The Board met May 5, 2017 at the Clubhouse.

Present: Cam Whitlock, Commodore; Jimmy Lee, Vice Commodore; Steve LaRosa, Past Commodore; Dan Rocawich, Rear Commodore; Maxie Glenn, Purser; John Newton, Sr. Board Member.

With a quorum present, Cam Whitlock called the meeting to order at 3:08 PM.

The Board discussed a few general items. It discussed Henry Depew's inquiry about whether the Club should continue to print a few copies of newsletters. The consensus was that the practice should continue.

The Board again discussed removal of the oak tree by the pool. It continues to require additional pool cleaning to the point that the tree has become maintenance and cost issue. It is also beginning to damage the pool deck. Members discussed the historical and emotional importance of the tree and their reluctance to remove it. After reaching a consensus that the Club should plant a memorial tree with a plaque in another location, the Board unanimously agree to remove the tree at a cost of \$1,000 for removal and \$100 for grinding the stump.

By consensus the Board authorized printing a sign for the clubhouse door with emergency contact names and telephone numbers.

Commodore's Report

Cam Whitlock reviewed the status of a number of pending matters. Volunteers cleaned out the

storage closet in the clubhouse. Various items no longer needed are placed on a table in the clubhouse for anyone who wants them to take. A bookshelf and an entertainment center placed under the clubhouse are also available.

Acquisition of the orphan dock proceeds; obtaining release from an ancient deed in the canal is underway. Cam reviewed the recent progress on updates and upgrades of the facility. He noted that repair and improvements of the bathrooms are overdue. Problems include urinals separating from the wall and deteriorating dry wall. Toilets could also use replacing. In a related discussion, Cam showed images of the proposed bar tables and chairs for the room. Cam proposed asking members to sponsor tables at \$500 each, to be marked with a memorial plaque with a message of the sponsor's choosing. Michael Getman has offered to build the tables. Sponsorship of two chairs for \$100 each was also proposed. Any funds in excess of the purchase price of the tables and chairs will be allocated to the bathroom upgrades. The Board approved the proposal to purchase the items and offer sponsorships.

Cam reviewed the idea of updating the Constitution and By-Laws to create a one year trial membership with some participation obligations during the one year associate/probationary membership and moving from share purchase to initiation fees for new members. He will develop the idea further in meetings with a committee to include John Newton and Steve LaRosa.

Vice-Commodore's Report

Jimmy Lee reviewed participation in the successful races of the Spring Season so far. Two races, both in May remain. Jimmy is de-

veloping a fall race schedule, which he will post. He also proposed a couple of laid back "beer can" races for the summer to be held late in the day. He is developing a set of appropriately laid back rules for the races.

Past Commodore's Report

Steve LaRosa reported that the new members' orientation had gone well.

Rear Commodore's Report

Dan Rocawich presented the best estimate that he had received for replacement and repair of the seawall. He noted that he contacted several vendors but not all had been responsive. Ben Withers Inc. made the best proposal of \$49,411.00. Dan also updated the Board on his investigation of costs to rehabilitate the deteriorating docks and related items like the power pedestals. The best proposal for the docks project, combined with the seawall project, was \$78,000 (about \$28,589 for docks). Board members were concerned about the expense. But they recognized both projects were necessary to preserve Club assets and for safety. Steve LaRosa moved to accept the proposals and move forward with the projects. Jimmy Lee seconded. Cam Whitlock, Jimmy Lee, Steve LaRosa, Dan Rocawich, and John Newton voted yes. Maxie Glenn voted no.

Dan announced plans for a June work day.

Purser's Report

Maxie Glenn reported that members recently approved are: Rob and Laurie Beaton, Mike and Edna Imbler, Neil Branch and Karen Veal, Kevin and Patty McAlpine, Donald Ryals, Leslie Sousa, John Tenewitz and Marilyn Rosetti, and Randy and Georgia Wilcox. She also reviewed the status of members who have not

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yet renewed. Various Board members will contact those who have not stated intent to resign and encourage them to remain members. Maxie presented the financial report. Steve LaRosa moved to accept the financial report. Dan Rocawich seconded. The report was accepted.

Senior Member's Report

John Newton reported that William Hatfield was looking forward to speaking to the Club. He advised that in June, Sondra Winter Lee and Angel Ganey would report about the Pro-Am Regatta they, with Jimmy and Michael, participated in. [This will now be re-scheduled.] John reported that the *Tallahassee Democrat* has expressed interest in a reporter crewing on a boat during a race. The Board approved, and John will work on arranging this. John also noted that the usual program starting time of 8:00 PM presents difficulties recruiting people to provide programs. Not everyone wants to dedicate a Saturday night in Shell Point to the Club. The Board agreed to consider changing the schedule, if needed for a speaker.

John presented information about Club "swag." The Board asked him to move forward to obtain sample t-shirts, golf shirts, and "fishing" shirts and to check into license plates as well.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted for the
Scribe by John Newton

Membership Meeting

Members and guests met at the clubhouse for the pot-luck, meeting and program. After introduction of guests, reports of the offi-

cers present, and announcements, the meeting was adjourned, and the program followed.

Sr. Board Member Report - Program Report & Plans

John Newton

Tallahassee Democrat Editor, William Hatfield, provided an entertaining and educational program at the May meeting as billed. His observations about the unique beauties of our area contrasted to his last posting in Destin reminded us why we enjoy life in the Big Bend. His optimism about the survival of news as it passes through the digital evolution was encouraging. Mr. Hatfield pointed out that the *Democrat* has been adding reporters. And he took all questions as promised. Mr. Hatfield encouraged everyone to call him, if they had a news tip or a story idea. He left a stack of business cards to prove he meant it. His coordinates are: landline - 850/599-2177; cell phone - 850/228-6463; e-mail - whatfield@tallahassee.com.

The June program will be tasty and informative. Rob Olin, a neighbor on Walker Creek Drive, will discuss the oyster ranching operation at the Panacea Oyster Co-Op. Rob says he will also bring some fresh Panacea Pearls from the ranch for us to sample. In July we will hear from Steve Hogan, one of the few experts in drone law. Jim Bailey won't want to miss this.

Membership Report

Steve LaRosa

There are two new member application posted in the clubhouse. The first is John Bell "John-boy". John works at FSU. For fun he can be seen hanging around the Club docks cleaning boat bottoms. His sponsor is John McBride. His membership vote will occur at the June BOD meeting.

The second is Alex Csinos. Al is a plant pathologist and is Shell Point resident who lives on Royster Drive. His membership vote will occur in mid June.

I am reaching out to any new members who would like more experience sailing on the Club boats. If you want to go out on a Saturday or Sunday, I am available to go with you most weekends. Just call or text to arrange a time.

stevelarosa54@yahoo.com

Board Meeting Cancelled

There will not be a Board meeting on June 3 because of scheduling conflicts. A later Board meeting may be scheduled if necessary.

Another Weather Source

Although written for the aviation community, this web site has a variety of data useful to sailors as it shows current and projected wind speed and direction at the surface. Use the date drop-box menu (upper right) to see projections:

<https://aviationweather.gov/windtemp/plot>

Dingy Races , Friday, April 28

On the Friday evening of the Steven C. Smith Regatta, we had a wonderful cheering crowd for the dingy race. 4 Puffins and 3 Holders (FSU students) were strangled by the lack of wind! However, we managed to get in 2 races before we headed in.

Marcia Bjerregaard won both races, with Kris Hebert close behind. Jim McGill and Dylan Cummings traded thirds.

Thank you, Jimmy Lee and Carl Bjerregaard for being our race committee.

The next dinghy race, scheduled for Sunday, May 21, 1 PM in the basin was cancelled.

All are welcome to participate! We usually aim to leave the "Harbor Master" Jim McGill's, dock on his pontoon boat, about noon to pick up and tow the Puffins to the basin.

The FSU students have been golf cart towing the Holders to the basin. Works very well!

If anyone is interested in racing in either fleet, please let us know. We have 5 Hobie Holders and 1 Puffin owned by ABYC for use, and usually can find another Puffin to borrow.

This is an excellent way to improve or learn sailing and racing!
Kris Hebert
Dinghy Coordinator

Web Calendar

If you go to the ABYC web site <abyconline.org> and click on the "Extended Calendar - click here" you will be taken to the on-line web calendar. Please check that site for current event information.

HINTS & NOTES FROM NEAR & FAR

C. Henry Depew

Things can go wrong on (or off) the water. At one point, ABYC had both the "Rubber Chicken" award and the "Super Chicken" award to recognize such occurrences. The first recipient of the Super Chicken Award was Bob Fulford, who stated that the channel out of Shell Point was deep enough and promptly ran aground for all to see. He gave the award to Scott Clarke, who was able to get his boat's mast and rigging tangled in the trees along the St Marks River, while tying off overnight (with slides of the event for all to see). Scott presented the trophy to Warren May for letting his boat sink in its slip. Warren gave the trophy to Henry Depew for launching his Tornado on the truck route. Henry gave it to Scott Gregory for being lost in a fog off Dog Island for over 72 hours. Scott awarded the trophy to Carl Bjerregaard for Carl's boat losing its rudder at the MORC Nationals. The last known recipient was Walter Culley for being thrown overboard when the outboard motor on his boat got away from him.

Given the greater and lesser degrees of trouble. The "Rubber Chicken" Award was presented for minor lapses in boating operation. Who holds the Super Chicken and the Rubber Chicken at this time is not known. Will the current holders please step forward and present the awards to new, deserving recipients?

Youth Sailing Camp

Apalachee Bay Community Sailing is excited to announce the dates for the 2017 Youth Sail Camp:

Session 1 - June 5-9

Session 2 - June 12-16 [full]

Session 3 - June 19-23

Each session is Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

Apalachee Bay Community Sailing's 2017 Youth Sail Camp is offered to youths ages 8-16 and is open to the public.

Radio-Controlled Sailboats Coming

Work is underway to establish a radio-controlled sailboat fleet within ABYC. This group is not just for ABYC members. So far there are six or eight interested individuals including Michael Ganey, Jim McGill, Carl Bjerregaard, Don Reeder, and Neil Branch.

More information as it becomes available.

Summer Sailstice

June 24 is Summer Sailstice, and on June 4, the World Ocean Festival will kick off in New York Harbor with the 'Ocean March'. Why not join both? You can hoist your sails 'in unity for the ocean' on June 4, and 20 days later Sail the Sailstice in celebration!

Smith Regatta Results*Jimmy Lee*

The winds were very stiff out of the SE for the races at 15-20 knots. The Spinnaker and Non-Spinnaker Fleets had the same course of two laps of N-E-N. The Cruising Fleet had one lap of that same route.

For the Spinnaker Fleet, *Wiki Wiki* came in first place ahead of *Harmony* by about a minute.

For the Non-Spinnaker Fleet *Adios* came in first ahead of *Baringa* by about 7 minutes corrected time.

For the Cruising Fleet *Baileywick* came in first place ahead of *Prone-Ranger* by about 4 minutes corrected time.

Spinnaker Fleet

1 - Harmony
2 - Wiki Wiki Reeder/Carrigan

Non-Spinnaker Fleet

1 - Adios Hamilton
2 - Baringa Olsen
3 - Quest Whitlock
DNF - Wanderer Parker
DNS - Staccato LaRosa
DNS - About Time Lee

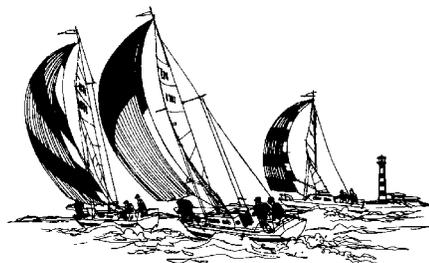
Cruising Fleet

1 - Baileywick Bailey
2 - Prone Ranger Miller
3 - Cerra Rowland
DNS - Aslan Newton
DNS - Sol Survivor Stacklin

Multi-Hull Fleet

1 - Two Can Treschel
2 - Escape Van Griffin

Thanks to Bill and Susie Wilhelm, who were the Race Committee on their boat *Manana*.

**PHRF Report***Jimmy Lee*

PHRF #5 was on May 7th with a GPS start and a near perfect wind out of the South-South West. The 10-15 knots were fairly consistent and the race was over before we knew it.

The A Fleet was very competitive with all three boats finishing within 17 seconds of each other. Congratulations to *Adios* for the winner of the A Fleet race and *About Time* for the winner of the B Fleet race (although they were the only one on the water for the B Fleet)!

A Fleet

1 Adios Hamilton
2 *Harmony* Hatos
3 *Wiki Wiki* Reeder/Carrigan
DNS *Staccato* LaRosa
DNS *WaterGeus* Weijers

B Fleet

1 *About Time* Lee
DNS *Oasis* Bennett
DNS *Fellowship* Meerman/
Herbert
DNS *Manana* Wilhelm

PHRF #6 on May 20th being the last race was not overly attended, but everyone had a great day on the water. A Fleet sat the day out but *WaterGeus* came to the rescue and made the B Fleet competitive.

The day was lively with winds out of the Southeast at 15 knots with a course of North-East-Center-East-North. *WaterGues* came in first with *About Time* coming in second. *Quest* was also out there cheering all on and pacing the boats.

PHRF Spring Series Standings

The final ranking after a two race toss-out:

Rank	Boat	Skipper
A-Fleet		
1 st	<i>Harmony</i>	Hatos
2 nd	<i>WikiWiki</i>	Reeder/Carrigan
3 rd	<i>Staccato</i>	LaRosa
4 th	<i>WaterGeus</i>	Weijers
5 th	<i>Adios</i>	Hamilton
B-Fleet:		
1 st	<i>About Time</i>	Lee
2 nd	<i>Oasis</i>	Bennett
3 rd	<i>Manana</i>	Wilhelm
4 th	<i>Fellowship</i>	Meerman/Herbert
5 th	<i>Maxie I*</i>	Getman
	<i>Prone Ranger*</i>	Miller

* - tie

Puffin/Dinghy Race Report*Kris Hebert*

No racing in May. See you-all at the June 25 race day.

**Changes in Attitude Social**

Date: June 24, 2017

Time: 6 - 7:30 pm

Light appetizers will be served and the bar will be open.

ABYC UPCOMING EVENTS - 2017

June

- June 02 Evening with Sara Mac Band - 6:00-10:00 pm
June 03 Board Meeting - (**cancelled**)
Membership Meeting - Clubhouse - social 6-7:00 pm - potluck dinner
7:00-7:45 pm - business meeting 7:45-8:00 pm
June 09 Smith Regatta Appreciation Dinner - Clubhouse - 6:00-8:00 pm
June 10 Clubhouse Reserved for a Private Event - 8:00 am - 4:00 pm
June 24 Changes In Attitude - Clubhouse - 6:00-7:30 pm
June 25 Dinghy Race - 1:00-3:00 pm

July

- July 01 Beer Can Race #1 - 5:00-7:30 pm
July 08 Board Meeting - Clubhouse - 3-5:00 pm
Membership Meeting - Clubhouse - social 6-7:00 pm - potluck dinner
7:00-7:45 pm - business meeting 7:45-8:00 pm
July 15 Beer Can Race #2 - 5:00-7:30 pm
July 29 Dinghy Race - 1:00-3:00 pm
Changes In Attitude - Clubhouse - 6:00-7:30 pm



NOTE: The above calendar is valid as of the date of printing. For updates/changes consult the Expanded Calendar at ABYC's web site (ABYConline.org).

The MARK June, 2017

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