



THE MARK

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ABYC ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

- July 04: Pool Party
- July 06: Board Meeting
Membership Meeting
- July 13: Social - Cookout
- July 20: Cruise to Ochlocknee
Shoals
Private Party at club
house
- July 22: Youth Sailing Class
- July 27: Dinghy Races
CIA

Come and Enjoy the Fun!!

Commodore's Comments

Scott Robinson

Hot, Hot, Hot! Good Grief it's Hot!

There are two good ways to beat the heat. Either get out on the water or get in it. Summer sailing is in full swing. One of the best destinations is Ochlocknee Shoal. Just nine miles south of Shell Point lies "The Shoal." This is a great destination for a summer sail. Once you arrive in the shallow waters, anchor up and go for a swim. Martha and I have been amazed at the water clarity in this area of the

Bay. I invite each of you to a raft-up at the Shoal on July 20th (weather permitting). Bring your boat, something cool to drink and your swimsuit. If the seas are calm we will all meet at the Shoal around noon. I hope to see you there. If you'd like to hitch a ride, let me know.

Please join me in welcoming Michael and Nicole Koski, and returning members Guy and Ann Getman and Bill and Susie Wilhelm. It's great to see the Club growing. If you know someone who has an interest in boating and might be interested in joining, please invite them to a function soon.

On June 22 and 23, the ABYC hosted its Introduction to Sailing class for 26 adults. Thank you, Kris Hebert and all of the members, who assisted in putting on this class. This is another great way that ABYC serves our community and introduces prospective members to our Club.

See you on the water.

Vice Commodore's Corner

Tony Cleveland

The Spring PHRF Series has concluded as have the sailing class. The Memorial Day cruise to Dog Island was reported to be a success and there is a cruise planned to the Ochlocknee Shoal on July 20th as noted in the Commodore's column.

With the lighter winds on the water during the summer months, perhaps it is time for those with canoes and kayaks to plan some cruises on the local rivers?



HAPPY JULY 4TH!

MEETING NOTICE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- Saturday, July 06, 2013
- 1800 - Social
- 1900 - Pot Luck Dinner
- 1945 - Meeting
- 2000 - Program:

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ABYC Social Report and Plans

*Lindsey McIntire for
Mary VanSciver*

The social calendar for July includes a casual Independence Day social and pool party, a cookout hosted by Phil and Jackie Werndli on July 13, and ends with a Changes in Attitude social hosted by Pat and Frank Hankins. As always, the CIA requires no reservations and costs nothing except what you buy at the bar. The monthly CIA events run from 6:00-7:30 pm

June featured an anything goes potluck on the 15th. Members dined on a wide variety of food, including chicken drumsticks and brownie bites. Many thanks to Joeann for tending the bar during this event.

On the 20th, Michael Getman and Lindsey McIntire hosted the fourth movie night featuring the hilarious flick *Caddy Shack*. A movie like this needs drinks and we are grateful to Joeann for keeping the drinks coming during this movie.

June ended with a CIA hosted by Dustin Kanagy and Lauren Vann. Members had a great time socializing and eating several tasty treats.

Hosting a CIA is a great way to bring ABYC members together and become more involved in the club. A few months in the Fall still need CIA hosts! If you are interested in hosting or want more information, please email Lindsey McIntire at

lindsey.mcintire@yahoo.com.

As always, a lot is happening at the ABYC. See you at the coast!

Rear Commodore's Corner

Ed Fries

Private Party July 20th

The clubhouse has been reserved for a private party on July 20th from 6-11 pm (excluding the pool deck) with set up time during the day/afternoon.

ABYC members are allowed to use the restroom and shower facilities during the private party, with all parties expected to respect each others particular needs.

If you see something that needs done/fixed at the clubhouse or floats, let me know - 591-4620

Sr. Board Member Report - Program Report & Plans

Martha Robinson

Many thanks to Cynthia Paulson with Palmetto Expeditions and the local certified Green Guides and tour operators who came to speak at our June membership meeting. Please let me know if you'd like contact information to schedule a hike to a sinkhole, a kayak trip or a kayak mullet fishing trip. Palmetto Expeditions offers trips year-round so they are available for the summer when your family is visiting or this fall when it's a little cooler.

The July speaker is Hanna Garland with Florida State University Coastal and Marine Laboratory. Hanna will talk about oyster research and what is known about water quality in the area.

Please let me know if you have a topic you would like to present or a recommendation for someone I should ask.

Membership

Ivor Groves

Applications for Club membership are now in the clubhouse and on the web site.

If you are recommending someone for membership, kindly tell them that there is a 30 day comment period between the receipt of the application and action by the Board at the next Board meeting.

Per the *By-laws*, the name of the proposed member shall be published in the next ABYC newsletter, *THE MARK*, after the application was received. The following have been posted at the Clubhouse,

Kurt Bowman
Robert & Sherri Kasper
Michael Korki
David & Stephanie Spitzer
Todd & Carrie Thompson
Michael & Angel Ganey
Emmanuel & Angelica
Tanglao
Sarah Moffatt & Raul Soria

Purser's Report

Maxine Glenn

If you have any questions or comments concerning your monthly bill, please contact me at home or by email.

Also, there is a copy of the monthly financial statement in a notebook on the shelving behind the front door of the clubhouse that members are encouraged to review.

Remember -

ABYC's mailing address is:
P.O. BOX 1830
Crawfordville, FL 32326

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.

Commodore Scott Robinson called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1530 on Saturday, June 1, 2013 at the ABYC clubhouse.

Present: Scott Robinson, Martha Robinson, Ed Fries, Maxie Glenn, Dede Wells, , Tony Cleveland
Not present: Mary VanSciver, Ivor Groves

Purser-Maxie Glenn

Maxie reviewed the current financial report, and the Board members reviewed potential resources for installing a lift which would enhance accessibility to the clubhouse.

The Board approved the April and May financial reports.

Maxie provided an update on three membership applications that have been received.

Vice Commodore-Tony Cleveland

Tony has placed announcements for the summer sailing classes at West Marine, Tallahassee Democrat website, ABYC homepage and the Wakulla Times.

He will complete a review of the ABYC insurance policy provisions to cover the activities of the sailing classes, and revise the release form used for all participants.

The Mullet Cup will need to be rescheduled for sometime later in the year, and a work crew will be used to remove the race markers.

Scribe-Dede Wells

The May Board meeting minutes were approved as printed in *The Mark*. New hardware has been installed on the outside an-

nouncement board.

Senior Board Member-Martha Robinson

Martha reviewed the June presentation on ecotourism which will be on the agenda for the membership meeting. The ABYC sponsored trip to Dog Island on Memorial Day weekend was a success, with five boats participating. The Sea Scout group sponsored by the ABYC will work with Martha to plan a social event. Pam Harrell is working with St. Johns Episcopal Church to provide a future home base for the group. Martha will work with Lindsey McIntire to plan for a June 15th social event.

Old Business

Rear Commodore Ed Fries reported that he is looking for a Blue Ray player that will be connected to the new television and available for club use.

New Business

The Board discussed safety issues related to the use of ABYC vessels and Ed Fries volunteered to post a reminder of important safety procedures in the next issue of *The Mark*.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1645.

Respectfully submitted,
Dede Wells, Scribe

April Membership Meeting

The May 4, 2013 membership meeting was called to order by Commodore Scott Robinson at 1945. After a brief report of recent Club events, the meeting was adjourned at 2000.

Respectfully submitted,
Dede Wells, Scribe
Apalachee Bay Yacht Club

PROGRAM:

Senior Board Member Martha Robinson introduced the speakers from Palmetto Expeditions, who reviewed the variety of ecotourism activities offered to the public. Brochures with specific information are available at the clubhouse. TCC offers training courses for those who are interested in becoming certified to provide ecotourism or who may want to attend for personal enrichment.

Event Notice/Report Request

Your Editor

If you are promoting an event, kindly make sure that you include information for the reader on:

Date of Event
Time Event Starts - Ends
Location of Event
Cost/Person (if any)
Reservation Deadline (if any)
Reservation Contact

If you are reporting on an event, it is nice if you include what activity took place, how many attended, and a thank you list of those who helped make the event possible.

If you see a date/activity that does not seem to match what you know about the event, kindly let your editor know, so necessary corrections can be made.

Also, please send your notice or report as a Rich Text Format (rtf) file (use the "save as" option within your word processing program).

Thank you

PHRF RACING NEWS*Don Reeder***June 8th Race Results:**

- 1 - *Adios* - Hamilton
 - 2 - *Wiki Wiki* - Reeder/Carrigan
 - 3 - *WaterGeus* - Weijers
 - 4 - *Harmony* - Bjerregaard
- Sunny, wind from the south at around 10 to 15 knots, not too hot.

Final results for the series are:

- 1 - *Adios* - Hamilton
- 2 - *WikiWiki* - Reeder/Carrigan
- 3 - *WaterGeus* - Weijers
- 4 - *Freelance* - Getman
- 5 - *Harmony* - Bjerregaard

America's Cup Schedule

After the initial celebration on July 4 & 5, there will be races as follows:

Louis Vuitton Cup
July 7 - August 17

America's Cup
Sept. 7 - 14 (or 21)

The number of races for the America's Cup will depend on the results of each race.

There will not be races every day. To find out what is going on for any given day, check:
americascup.com/about/broadcast

Boating Emergency Numbers

CG PC	850/234-4228
CG Yankeetown	352/447-6900
CGA St. Marks	850/942-7500
	or 850/284-1166

Memorial Day Cruise to Dog Island*Lindsey McIntire*

The Memorial Day weekend cruise May 24 - 27 was a huge success, with several members making the beautiful journey through ideal weather:

Scott and Martha Robinson - *Andalusia*

Ann and Guy Getman - *Anticipation*

Phil and Jackie Werndli - *Banana Wind*

Dustin Kanagy and Lauren Vann - *Tide One On*

Lindsey McIntire and Michael Getman - *Freelance*

In addition, John Newton sailed over and spent an evening and some of Scott's family members motored over on both days.

All vessels left the docks at 9:30 AM Friday morning and enjoyed sunny skies and variable winds. After anchoring off the far east end of Dog Island in Tyson's Harbor, we enjoyed the first of several beautiful sunsets, cocktails, and great food.

We spent the next two days lounging on the pristine and isolated beach, playing horseshoes, and dodging a persistent high tide that lapped at our ankles for several hours. In the evenings, we enjoyed fresh caught fish and cocktails, discussing past trips and already planning our next cruise.

Of course, we had our fair share of adventure along the way, including a line in a prop, a sneaky low tide at midnight, a fair number of real (and imaginary) engine difficulties, and a runaway dinghy! The 6 dogs in attendance also had quite an experience, digging for crabs and riding on dinghies and a paddle-board.

We (reluctantly) set sail back to Shell Point, Monday morning and

enjoyed yet another day of perfect weather.

Overall, we had a great weekend of boating, camaraderie, and "5 o'clock somewhere" living.

HINTS & NOTES FROM NEAR & FAR*C. Henry Depew*

A GPS and electronic charts are the latest in navigational tools for those on the water. One of the warnings, sometimes disregarded, is that either can be wrong. Such was the case with the *USS Guardian* when it ran aground on a coral reef. A review of the incident found that the digital chart for the area had a 9 mile error on the location of the reef.

Small Craft Advisor is an interesting publication. One of the columns, "Capt'n Pauley" has some good ideas. The July/Aug. issue (p. 55) had an idea of using fishing leader wire (and leader crimp sleeves) to make "pin lanyards". Simple to make, very useful, and worth trying.

The annual recreational boating statistics compiled by the U.S. Coast Guard for 2012 has been published. You can find the current collection of information (as well as previous reports) at:
http://www.uscgboating.org/statistics/accident_statistics.aspx

NON BYOB

Just a reminder that ABYC is not a BYOB club. Members should refrain from bringing libations to the Club when the bar is open.

SCUTTLEBUTT

Marcia Bjerregaard

This month ABYCers focus on the Bahamas from afar, unless we're the Hankins and the Saints. Sitting here, it's hard to imagine how they're managing the logistics of moving boats, people, linens and food to the Abacos and then to multiple starting lines. Their fun starts July 3. Ed Fries will join them for the final race July 11 and cruise home on Zephyros with the Hankins.

Just a tad further north, the Chris Bjerregaard family is going through the same for the Marblehead-Halifax race. If you want to follow Shearwater's progress, go to http://www.marbleheadtohalifax.com/page/the_race/tracking starting July 7.

GYA

While the entire GYA schedule is available online, the second of the two nearby FS regattas is coming soon. July 6 & 7 they'll be racing in Fort Walton.

Do you have a question or comment for Club members for inclusion in *The Mark*? Send it to cbjerreg@fsu.edu with 'Scuttlebutt' on the subject line.

Ostinato Report

If you want to follow the adventures of Kingsley and Sue Ross, go to their blog at:

<http://svostinato.blogspot.com/>

Youth Sailing Class - New Date

Plans are being made to re-schedule the Youth Sailing Class week to start on July 22th.

More information later.

Webmaster's Cubicle



C. Henry Depew

A new web site has been added at the bottom of the Weather list of sites. Once it has loaded, if you put the cursor on a site, you will get the latest posted weather at that location. Check the posted time to make sure it is relatively current.

If you have a site you think others would like, send me the URL for posting. If some no longer seems to work, let me know that also.

General Note To Membership

As ABYC grows, we find that more and more people are using the clubhouse, the kitchen, the pool and the ice machine. Here are a few pointers to avoid conflict:

Leave the clubhouse and grounds as you found them (or better).

Adjust the AC and turn off the lights when you leave.

Be sure to lock the clubhouse.

Don't take more than your fair share of the ice, other members will want some.

Clean up after yourself. Empty the garbage.

If you see someone you don't recognize, introduce yourself and ensure that they are Club members.

If something is broken, let the Rear Commodore know so arrangements can be made for repairs.

Please enjoy the clubhouse and remember to be considerate of fellow Club members.

Beach Party Bingo

On **July 13**, we'll settle in for an old fashion Florida Saturday night. Bring your own meat to cook on the grill. Cheesy potatoes, salad, and dessert will be provided. After dinner, Bingo begins. Prizes (including free drinks) will be available for the winners!

Bar Opens - 1800

Grill Ready - 1845

Dinner - 1900

\$5 per person

Please RSVP to Jackie Werndli -

jwerndli@embarqmail.com

by July 10.

June 15 Social Report

Fun was had by all on Saturday, June 15 for the carefully planned "unplanned" potluck super. About 35 people attended with each family bringing a potluck dish and Joeann faithfully attending to the bar. There was talk that a bridge game might get started but everyone was enjoying each other's company and bridge would have been a distraction.



Changes in Attitude Social

Date: July 27, 2013

Time: 1800 - 1930

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

ABYC UPCOMING EVENTS - 2013

July

- July 04: Social/Pool Party - clubhouse
July 06: Board Meeting - clubhouse - 3:30 pm -
Membership Meeting - clubhouse - 6:00 pm - social
7:00 pm - potluck dinner
8:00 pm - program
July 13: Social - Cookout - "Beach Party Bingo"
Bar Opens - 6:00 pm
Grill Ready - 6:45 pm
Dinner - 7:00 pm
July 20: Cruise to Ochlocknee Shoals - rendezvous at noon at shoals
Private Party at clubhouse - 6 to 11:00 pm
July 22: Youth Sailing Class starts - clubhouse - 9:00 am -
July 27: Dinghy Races - 1:00 pm -
Changes in Attitude Social, 6 to 7:30 pm

August

- Aug. 03: Board Meeting - clubhouse - 3:30 pm -
Membership Meeting - clubhouse - 6:00 pm - social
7:00 pm - potluck dinner
Aug. 17: Social
Aug. 31: Changes In Attitude Social, 6 to 7:30 pm

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



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