

THE MARK

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ABYC ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

Mon. July 4 All Day - Independence Day Celebrations

Sat. July 9 Board Meeting
Membership Meeting

Sat. July 30 Dinghy Racing
Changes in Attitude

Come and Enjoy the Fun!!

Commodore's Comments

Cam Whitlock

It's officially summer and ABYC has made the most of the warm weather to get out on the water. The Dog Island Memorial Day weekend cruise was well attended with 7 boats making the trip for a fun filled weekend. The Summer Sailstice was observed on June 18th with a raft up just off the Shell Point beach and a post raft-up barbecue at the clubhouse.

Members have been busy volunteering their time to run the annual Apalachee Bay Community Sailing (ABCS) Youth Sail Camps. The planning and operation of the two weeks of Camp is a huge undertaking of our sister organization, that introduced sailing to over 20 kids this year, culminating in a youth regatta. Many

thanks ABCS and all Club members who volunteered their time to make the camp a success!

ABYC continues to welcome new members. This month the Board voted to approve the following new associate members: Donald Shrum, David and Sarah Stage, Jason and Chasity O'Steen, Chris and Margit Miller. Please welcome these new members and applicants, if you see them at the Club! Speaking of membership, please remember that all guests must be accompanied by a member, when using the clubhouse and the pool.

Clubhouse Renovation/ Addition Update: Contractor interviews took place on June 22 with three contractors participating. Mike Johnson was selected as our builder due to his local construction knowledge and 'can-do' attitude. Mike is currently pricing the project to determine how much of the project can be undertaken at this time.

Fair winds and following seas!



Happy July 4th!

Vice Commodore's Corner

Huib Weijers

With the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta and the ABYC PHRF Spring series completed in May, the Youth Sail Camps from Apalachee Bay Community Sailing and ABYC Summer Sailstice have taken center stage in June.

The Youth Sail activities were successful. A full report should be in the next newsletter.

On June 18, the Summer Sailstice was held with some boats anchored out of the channel in front of the beach for a couple of hours and some went out for a sail past the tripods.

Things turned adventuresome even for the boats at the beach, as keels found bottom on a falling tide. However, no one was left behind. Assistance was given and cell phone videos were replayed on the big screen in the clubhouse at the social that night.



MEETING NOTICE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, July 09, 2016

Social - 1800

Pot Luck - 1900

Meeting - 1945

Program - 2000

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Purser's Report*Maxine Glenn*

If there is a change in your directory information, don't hesitate to send an email to:

membership.abyc@gmail.com

If you prefer the bill goes to a different address, let me know at:

purser.abyc@gmail.com.

As always, if you have any suggestions for streamlining our processes, please let any of your Board members know.

Membership Report*Steve LaRosa*

I would like to welcome the following new members to ABYC.

Chris Miller and his wife Margit. Chris and Margit are musicians and music instructors. Chris has restored a Seafarer 31 and plans to launch it soon. This is a fantastic boat and we look forward to seeing it at ABYC soon. Their sponsor is Jerry Wells.

Jason and Chastity O'Steen of Tallahassee. They have an O'Day 34, which is moored at Shell Point. John McBride is their sponsor.

David and Sarah Stage. They own a Santana 23. This boat appears to be a Harmony competitor. Hopefully, we will see them on the race course soon.

Don Shrum and his family. Don is looking to expand his sailing experiences and we look forward to getting him out on the water.

Please welcome these new members warmly when you see them at the Club.

Also, I am reaching out to any new members that 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

Sr. Board Member Report - Program Report & Plans*John McBride*

June's membership meeting featured Dean Minardi giving the history of Shell Point's own Harmony class of sailboats. Carl B. added to the story and Marcia expanded on Carl's comments!

On July 9th Dr. Jessi Halligan of FSU will be sharing about her project on the Aucilla River. She is part of a team of archaeologists that have found ancient stone tools and butchered mastodon bones that have been reliably dated to 14,550 years ago - more than a 1,000 years earlier than scientists once thought humans first reached the New World.

ABYC NEEDS YOU!

ABYC is a volunteer organization and needs as many contributing members as possible. Listed in the next column are some of the activities that make the Club successful. If you find one of interest, contact the officer in charge and volunteer. If you are asked, please agree to help.

Structure of ABYC

The formal duties of each elected officer is set forth in section 4 of the *By-Laws*. The current structure of ABYC is:

Commodore - Cam Whitlock

Meetings

Parliamentarian

Storm Plan

Vice Commodore - Huub Weijers

Fleet Committee

PHRF

Puffin/Dinghy

Regatta (non-Smith)

Protest

Rear Commodore - Jerry Wells

Clubhouse & Grounds

Docks

Scribe - Mickie Cooksey

Newsletter

Directory/Handbook

History

Web Site

Purser - Maxie Glenn

Financial Records

Senior Board Member -

John McBride

Programs and Activities

Junior Board Member -

Angel Ganey

Socials, Dinners, CIA,

TV nights, etc.

Past Commodore - Steve LaRosa
Membership

Please note that the "Regatta" activity listed above and in the By-Laws is not the Smith Regatta. The function was created to have a member designated to organize any ABYC regatta or fun race.

The next step is to fill out the chart with members willing to help get things done. If you see an aspect of the operation of interest to you, kindly contact the relevant officer and volunteer!

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.

**Board of Directors Meeting
June 18, 2016****Meeting minutes**

1. Meeting called to order
2. Motion to approve minutes
 - a. May meeting minutes approved.
3. Motion to approve the agenda passed.

A. Commodore Report

a. Website transition: Deadline to move site is September. New prospective applicant – Russ Forstell, volunteered to assist with website.

i. Discussion: Martine may be able to assist with social media. Noted that more Facebook posts desired for public Facebook page. Scribe Facebook page to deleted.

b. Non-member use of facilities.

i. Discussion: CW to post notice in newsletter that guests must be accompanied by member..

Board to discuss changing locks.

c. Renovation update – permit ready to be issued. Contractors to be interviewed on 6/22.

B. VC Report

a. ABCS – sailing camp is a success. 15 in camp this week, 8 to 10 for week 2. 2 scholarships to Big Bend Maritime being used. Henry/Judy Depew provided one scholarship. Race Under the Moon date not set.

b. Racing – potential to have summer racing. Potential for evening sail or overnight at the Shoals.

C. PC Report

a. Insurance – discussed \$1,000,000 umbrella, increase to medical coverage not an option.

b. Orphan docks – negotiations are on-going with Gaupin estate (Jim Wadsworth to discuss ABYC offer w/partners).

c. New members – Recently approved: O’Steen, Stage, Shrum. New applicants: Chris Miller

D. RC Report – Not present

a. Boat slip activity

b. Seawall repair pricing

c. Thermostat instructions – Steve to discuss sign for thermostat and dishwasher to ensure proper usage.

d. Signage – new letters, new sign? Frank Hankins created original sign?

e. Discuss setting up a work-day.

f. Discuss getting more propane for grill.

E. Purser Report

a. Update finances

b. Associate members moving to full membership: Thomas and Sandra Maddi, Molly Jones.

c. Discussed member photos for directory

d. Board approved April/May financial report

F. JBM Report

a. Upcoming events

b. Discuss maintenance of paper goods and trash. Angel to make a proposal to Eleni?

c. Movie night: Huub to host movie night. Movie night ratings to be posted in announcement.

d. Discussed opening bar on Fri/Sat.

e. Discussed moving next Board meeting to 3:00 PM.

G. SBM Report – Not present

a. Upcoming speakers

b. Club field trip?

H. Scribe Report – Not present.

Respectfully submitted by Cam

Whitlock for Mickie Cooksey,
Scribe

Regular Membership Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Cam Whitlock. After introduction of guests, reports by the officers present, a short update on the clubhouse plans, the meeting was adjourned and the program was presented by Dean Minardi.

Scuttlebutt

Marcia Bjerregaard

I know new members are reported elsewhere, but this one’s special. It’s a boy for Sydney and Dylan Cummings.

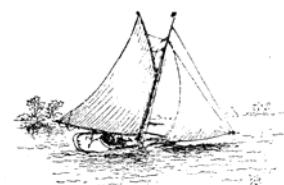
Rumored are two other additions to the Club (but not to membership). The Lees and the Harries are looking to buy sailboats.

Okay, so the ‘Sunshine State’ is not in favor of capturing solar power. If you want to buck the Florida powers that be, look into using wind energy for your home at ArcadiaPower.com.

Ostinato Report

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

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



Editor's Notes



C. Henry Depew

The plan is to get each issue of *The Mark* to the membership in the last week of each month. To accomplish this, article/column submission are requested by the 15th of the preceding month. The material is put together, duplications removed, and questions resolved so that a draft copy can go to the Board of Directors for review by the 20th. Any changes, additions, or deletions are requested to be back to the Editor by the 23rd or 24th (depending on weekends) and the finished material is sent to the printers and to the membership by the 25th or 26th (if all goes well).

Members are invited to send in material that they think might be of interest to other members. Such material will be edited and included, if space permits.

It will help your Editor considerably if you save your material as a Rich Text Format (rtf) file. This is one of the format options offered by most document processing programs. If the material comes in docx (or other such extensions), conversion may become a problem at my end.

Remember -

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

HINTS & NOTES FROM NEAR & FAR

C. Henry Depew

Your boat may be an antique. If so, the boat might be exempt from a full vessel registration fee and you pay only an annual service fee. Chapter 328.72, *Florida Statutes* defines an antique vessel as:

“(a) A vessel that is at least 30 years old, used only for recreational purposes, and powered by the vessel’s original-type power plant may be registered as an antique vessel. When applying for registration as an antique vessel, the owner of such a vessel shall submit certification, as prescribed by the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles or from a marine surveyor that the vessel meets the requirements of this paragraph.”

Our Sisu 26 met all the requirements for antique registration, including the original power plant. I am not sure if you had a sailboat that met the age requirements, if it had been converted from a sloop to a cutter (or vise-a-versa), if it would meet the “original-type power plant” requirement since the power plant seems to be aimed only at engines:

The forms and explanations are on-line, but check with your local tax collector for current information..

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.

GYA Reciprocal Agreement

All ABYC members are welcome at the docks and/or landside facilities of Gulf Yachting Association clubs. More information can be found at www.gya.org. We can pay cash for food and services at all of them and some have already extended reciprocal charging privileges.

You will need your membership card and account number to have your expenses billed through ABYC. Or, simply pay the bill when there.

GYA YACHT CLUBS

Bay-Waveland	Mobile
Biloxi	Navy
Birmingham	New Orleans
Buccaneer	Ocean Springs
Cypremort	Pass Christian
Fairhope	Pelican
Fort Walton	Pensacola
Grande Mausemelle	Pensacola Beach Point
Grand Lagoon	Pontchartrain
Gulfport	St. Andrews Bay
Houston	St. Petersburg
Jackson	Singing River
Lake Arthur	Southern
Lake Charles	South Shore
Lake Forest	Tammany
Long Beach	



Jr. Board Member Report Social Report and Plans

Angel Ganey

Summer, summer, SUMMER TIME!

ABYC members welcomed our hottest season of the year on June 18th with a Summer Sailstice raft-up off of Shell Point beach. Seven boats were on the water including *WikiWiki* with Don Reeder and Ann and Guy Getman, *Mollie Rose* with John and Sue Meerman and Scott and Martha Robinson, *Legato* with Cam and Denise Whitlock and Michael and Angel Ganey, *Wanderer* with Glenn, Lisa and Sophia Parker and Glenn Broga and his children, *Into the Mystic*, with Ted and Brandy Crowley-Gilbert, Pat and Gordon Renovitch joined in their power boat, and last, but certainly not least, *Zephyros*, with Pat and Frank Hankins, their grandsons (Alex and Theo Weber) and Kris Hebert and Jim Bailey. When the winds picked up, *Zephyros* went out sailing while others enjoyed spending time in the water and visiting each other's boats.

Low tide and a north wind made it a bit challenging for a few boats to navigate the shallow waters to return to dock. So much so, that a couple of boats spent the night at a borrowed dock, where there was deeper water. However, all sailors returned to shore for a great BBQ dinner from Hamaknockers, and stories from the day's events.

Saturday, June 25th was a busy, fun-filled day. The morning kicked off with the ABCS Youth Sail Camp Regatta in the basin, followed by an appreciation cook-out at ABYC. We wrapped up the day with our monthly Changes in Attitude social event, hosted by Nell and John Johnston, which was a sweet treat of homemade ice

cream in four different flavors, including chocolate, vanilla, coconut and strawberry. Everyone brought their favorite toppings and enjoyed ice cream cones, soda floats and even some adult milkshakes.

Celebrate Independence Day with an informal pool party on Monday, July 4. Bring your own food and drinks and enjoy time at the pool with other Club members; typically, folks show up mid-afternoon. If tradition holds, the fireworks show will be nice from land or water. If anyone would like to host an event Saturday, July 2 or Sunday, July 3, please let me know; the clubhouse is available. Due to the holiday weekend, the July membership meeting and potluck will be held on Saturday, July 9th. Please bring a dish to share. Cocktails begin at 6 pm, potluck dinner at 7 pm. A business meeting and program will follow.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, July 16 for a musical treat with special guest, Cierra Whitlock, as she provides entertainment for ABYC members with her acoustic guitar. Cierra is the daughter of Commodore Cam Whitlock. Look for details in a coming email.

Be sure to attend the CIA on Saturday, July 30. Festivities begin at 6 pm with cocktails and appetizers served until 7:30 pm or the food runs out.

Boating Emergency Numbers

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

ABYC APPAREL AND ACCESSORIES

The sail logo for ABYC has been digitized for embroidery at AWARDS4U at 1387 E. Lafayette Street in Tallahassee. They will sell the shirts and other items to our members. You can find more information at:

www.awards4u.com

NON BYOB

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

BOAT US Membership

ABYC is a current member of Boat US and as such, ABYC members receive a 50% discount on membership in BoatUS. Our group ID number is GA81150Y. This number should be given to customer service, when you apply for membership. (Membership applications are available on the bookshelf in the clubhouse.)



Changes in Attitude Social

Date: July 30, 2016

Time: 6 - 7:30 pm

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

ABYC UPCOMING EVENTS - 2016

July

Mon. July 4	All Day	Independence Day Celebrations - Clubhouse
Sat. July 9	3:30-5:00 pm 6:00 - 8:00 pm	Board Meeting - Clubhouse Membership Meeting and Potluck Dinner - Clubhouse
Sat. July 30	1:00-3:00 pm 6:00-7:30 pm	Dinghy Racing Changes in Attitude - Clubhouse

August

Sat. Aug. 6	3:30-5:00 pm 6:00-8:00 pm	Board Meeting - Clubhouse Membership Meeting and Potluck Dinner - Clubhouse
Sat. Aug. 27	1:00-3:00 pm 6:00-7:30 pm	Dinghy Racing Changes in Attitude - Clubhouse



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 July, 2016

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Jr. Board Member:	Angel Ganey	212-5149
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