



THE MARK

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ABYC ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

- Sept. 07: Board Meeting
Membership Meeting
- Sept. 13: Movie Night
- Sept. 21: Coastal Clean Up
Social
- Sept. 28: PHRF #2
Dinghy Races
Changes In Attitude

Come and Enjoy the Fun!!

Commodore's Comments

Scott Robinson

Let the racing begin! The Fall PHRF racing series begins with the first race on August 31st. I know the racers are happy to get back on the water and I hope many of you will come out to either crew or watch the races. Kris Hebert is planning to skipper *Allegro* and she's looking for crew. If any of our new members are interested, give her call. Skipper's meeting starts at 10:30 a.m. at the clubhouse. Be sure to check the website and/or *The Mark* (page 3) for the complete racing schedule.

Welcome to our newest members: Michael and Angela Ganey,

Tom and Cynthia Perny, Raul Soria and Sarah Moffatt, and Emmanuel and Angelica Tanglao. They were all students in the Intro to Sailing class taught earlier this summer. Also joining us are Brian and Jill Gaupp who are new to Shell Point. If you see them at the Club, be sure to introduce yourself. As new members, I'm sure they are eager to learn more and get some time on the water.

As you can see our Club is growing. As a member run organization, it is incumbent on each of us to chip in and help when needed. In September, I have the honor of appointing a nominating committee to seek Club officers for next year. The committee is made up of past commodores and a member at large. The committee will be led by our immediate past commodore, Ivor Groves. If you are asked to serve, please give it thoughtful consideration. This is an exciting time to be a part of the ABYC and to serve the membership.

See you on the water.

Vice Commodore's Corner

Tony Cleveland

The dates for the fall PHRF racing schedule have been set, with the first race taking place on August 31. The race dates were chosen both for the tides and for the crucial avoidance of home football games. The dates are listed on page 3. Also, in connection with the racing schedule, the refurbishing of the racing marks has begun, but has not been completed. The weather has not been cooperating! Two of the marks have been retrieved and should be cleaned and painted the week of August 19. The remaining three marks will be retrieved and refurbished as soon as possible, weather permitting. In any event, marks will be available for the scheduled races. We'll keep you up to date regarding the progress being made!

MEETING NOTICE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- Saturday, September 7, 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*

We have had another busy month at the coast, and the schedule stays packed through September! This month, join us for another movie night on Friday, September 13th. This is a great way to see a variety of movies and enjoy the company of fellow members and cocktails. Our September social will occur on the 21st and the rumor is it may revolve around football! September ends with dinghy races and a CIA on the 28th hosted by new members Kristina, Eric, and Trish.

The July CIA was a huge success with many thanks to Frank and Patty Hankins for hosting. Delectable hors d'oeuvres were served, including smoked salmon and shrimp. On August 9th, members enjoyed another movie night hosted by John and Susan Meerman. About 20 people had a ton of fun watching "Captain Ron," enjoying popcorn, and drinks from the bar.

The August ice cream social was hosted by Nell and John Johnston on the 17th and featured home made ice cream and several tasty appetizers. After a tough vote, Amaretto brought by Bill Wilhelm was chosen as the favorite topping. It's great to see new social events and faces at the ABYC! As events have heated up, Joann has done a great job tending bar, always entertaining us with sailing stories. Her consistent presence is very appreciated.

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

Sr. Board Member Report - Program Report & Plans

Martha Robinson

Many thanks to Henry Depew for presenting on the history of the development of Shell Point. His historic photos of the area had some folks scratching their head and asking, "When did that get built?" and say "Yep, I remember that." Henry's presentation is always thought provoking and entertaining. Thanks, Henry.

Sherry Kasper will present Caring for Pets Aboard at the September meeting. As a vet in Tallahassee and someone who has lived aboard, she's sure have some tips we hadn't considered yet. Sherry is new member to ABYC and sails *Invincible Me* with her husband Rob and two sons.

See you at the Club.

SCUTTLEBUTT

Marcia Bjerregaard

It is reported that Bob Floyd has a Puffin sailing dinghy that he would like to sell. If interested, he can be reached at 850-896-0278 and through email at

rfloyd_3@yahoo.com

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.

Nominating Committee

Ivor Groves

Thanks to the new members that have joined this year, ABYC has grown a bit in total membership. I have not yet had a chance to meet many of the new members as Lynn and I have been away since May and I am looking forward to meeting you this fall. Over the next month the ABYC officers and Board members for next year will be determined following nominations and a vote of the membership. Serving on the Board is a great opportunity to get to know the strengths and challenges of ABYC and to get to know your fellow members better.

Please let me know if you have any interest in volunteering to serve in some capacity on the Board as I chair the Nominating Committee. Please email me at

ivorgroves@me.com

or call me at 850/524-5683. Time is of the essence as the nominations for next year need to be announced at the October general membership meeting.

Membership

Our newest members are noted in the Commodore's column. Please take a moment to make welcome.

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 has been posted at the clubhouse, Roy Rhodes.

Dylan & Sydney Cummings

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 Meeting

The ABYC Board met on Saturday, August 3, 2013. A quorum not being present, no business was conducted.

Respectfully submitted,
Dede Wells, Scribe Apalachee Bay Yacht Club

Membership Meeting

The August 2013 meeting, held at the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club on Saturday, August 3, was called to order by Commodore Scott Robinson at 1950. Several announcements were made regarding social events. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. Henry Depew was introduced and presented a program which reviewed the history of development of the Shell Point area.

Respectfully submitted,
Dede Wells
Scribe, Apalachee Bay Yacht Club

Purser's Report

Maxine Glenn

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

mbg1215@netzero.net

There is a copy of the monthly financial statement in a notebook on the shelving in the clubhouse that members are encouraged to review.

HINTS & NOTES FROM NEAR & FAR

C. Henry Depew

Among the boating related publications I receive is the *Marine News*. The July issue had an article on cellular signal boosters to help with communications in the dead areas (p. 16). A manufacturer named Wilson Electronics is targeting inland waterways and near-shore mariners. Their product could also help recreational boating non-VHF communications. For more information, check out:

www.wilsonelectronics.com/

Historically most sailing ships ran on a four hour clock in terms of a time on duty (watch). The ship's day was divided into six watches.

First Watch	2000-2400
Middle Watch	2400-0400
Morning Watch	0400-0800
Forenoon Watch	0800-1200
Afternoon Watch	1200-1600
1st Dog Watch	1600-1800
2nd Dog Watch	1800-2000

The Dog Watches allowed for the rotation of watches so no one was stuck with the same "work day" for the voyage.

Interested in current information on cruising the ICW? Take a look at *On the Water: AnchorGuide, CruiseGuide, and ChartGuide* series publications. The latest is:

CruiseGuide for the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW): A Mile-by-Mile Cruising Guide for Norfolk, VA to Miami, FL

at:
OnTheWaterChartGuides.com

Fall PHRF Race Dates

August 31
September 28
October 12
November 9
November 30
December 14

Skippers' meetings at 1030 at the ABYC clubhouse.

Rescue 21

For Rescue 21 to work for you, you must fill out the necessary Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) registration forms completely and accurately and keep them up to date. The second part is to connect your DSC VHF radio to your GPS. Once you have submitted the complete forms and have your DSC VHF radio connected to your GPS, the Coast Guard has a much better chance of finding you out there in the Gulf.

For more information, go to:
<http://www.uscg.mil/acquisition/rescue21/>

**Changes in Attitude Social**

Date: September 28, 2013

Time: 1800 - 1930

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

ABYC UPCOMING EVENTS - 2013

September

- Sept. 07: Board Meeting - Clubhouse - 3:30 pm -
Membership Meeting - Clubhouse - 6:00 pm - social
7:00 pm - potluck dinner
- Sept. 13: Movie Night
- Sept. 21: Coastal Clean Up - Shell Point - 9:00 am -
Social
- Sept. 28: PHRF #2 - Clubhouse - Skippers' Meeting - 10:30 am
Dinghy Races - 1:00 pm
Changes In Attitude Social, 6 to 7:30 pm

October

- Oct. 05: Board Meeting - 3:30 pm -
Membership Meeting - Clubhouse - 6:00 pm - social
7:00 pm - potluck dinner
- Oct. 12: PHRF #3- Clubhouse - Skippers' Meeting - 10:30 am
- Oct. 19: VC Regatta & Social
- Oct. 26: Dinghy Races - 1:00 pm
Changes In Attitude Social , 6 to 7:30 pm - Clubhouse



**ABYC PHONE NUMBER
850/926-7775**

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).

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