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## GUEST SPEAKERS FOR MAY 4th SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: VANESSA GOODRUM



A Presentation on "AFTER NINE MONTHS AFLOAT, A SEA CHANGE" will be given by Vanessa Goodrum and Sara O'Brien, who will be our Guest Speakers for our Safety Harbor Boat Club meeting on MAY 4<sup>th</sup> @ 6:15 pm @ the SAFETY HARBOR LIBRARY. Their presentation



is on their Sailboat Cruise from St. Pete to Boston, Mass.

Vanessa Goodrum first started sailing in her mid-twenties when she lived in the British Virgin Islands. She bought her first liveaboard boat in 2013 and has been cruising Tampa Bay and the nearby Gulf of Mexico waters ever since. Cruising the East Coast was the realization of a longtime dream.

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Sara O'Brien has been sailing for 5 years. She spent 18 years working in television and journalism, producing a diverse array of video and graphic design projects. This background came in handy as she has since created over 50 videos for her 2 Women Sailing YouTube channel. Sara also owns the St. Petersburg based local humor apparel and screen-printing company, "Wide Sky".

They also have given this **presentation** about their **sailing trip to Boston** at the **St. Pete Boat Show** and it was very well received.

## SHBC BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX BY Archives

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays and Anniversaries fall in the Month of MAY.

We have a boatload of celebrants this month.

#### **Birthdays**:

5-4 Joe Kelley 5-8 Don Gaye 5-9 Renee Viverito 5-11 Gena Camerson---> 5-13 Kathy Walker 5-14 Janet O'Brien 5-21 Chuck Stebbins 5-22 Jamie Kelley 5-23 Jurgen Billhofer 5-25 Michele Hardy 5-26 Jay Basinger 5-28 Marty Horowitz



Anniversaries: 5-14 Bree Smith & Evan Pedroza---> 5-24 Rainbow (He) & Marty Bindeman 5-28 Brian & Phyllis Garry



If we missed your special day, it's because you didn't let us know it. So, send your Birthday &/or Anniversary dates to: <u>ellenmaehenderson@hotmail.com</u>

#### In Memoriam..... SHBC MEMBER BOB MEADOWS HAS PASSED AWAY

By Ellen Henderson; Pix: Archives



With sadness, we are sorry to announce the passing of BOB MEADOWS a formerly active member of SHBC. Skip Meadows has lost her husband after a short stay in a local nursing home. Some Club members will remember Bob and Skip as active members of the Club over several years. They became less active in our activities as Bob became ill. He was 83 and he passed away on March 31, 2022.

His downward slope started when we received this Sick Bay announcement From Skip: "Bob is in the hospital in Chardon Ohio. We flew up here Wednesday to attend his brother's funeral (which we missed) and he fell outside of a restaurant, had to have staples in his head again and fractured his pelvis and tail bone. Had to go to University Geauga medical center by ambulance. We need to get him released to a rehab in Akron where his sister lives and son David and I

can stay. We think we'll be here for two weeks."

Among Bob & Skip's activities, which they participated was when our **SHBC then Cruising Chair, Mark Kanuck** organized four Club sailboats for his planned cruise to St. Pete over the 3day weekend. **Mark K.** and his crew: wife, **Ann K**., plus **Bob and Skip Meadows** departed from the Seminole St. Marina at 10:00 am on their Endeavor 33', **"Rum Line".** 

Bob also led our Club on a tour of Honeymoon Island, as he was very active in promoting their education center.

Here are the details regarding a service for Bob as indicated in the Tampa Bay Times: "Family will receive friends Monday, May 2nd. There will be a Funeral Mass at 11:00 am, at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Rte. 580 (South Side) in Dunedin on Monday, May 2nd.

SHBC Member Bob Meadows' life will also be celebrated at our SHBC Memorial Day Party on Monday, May 30th. For all of us who knew him and his indomitable spirit in the face of great odds and his love of boating (and sailors), he was a joy to be around.

Condolences can be sent to Skip at: <u>SkipMeadows@gmail.com</u>

## SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

The **Dunedin Fine Arts Center** (https://www.dfac.org/) is doing a display from various artists (in Blue and Yellow) in support for

UKRAINE.





## SHBC MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; Pix: Archives

Two events are being planned for Monday, May 30th: A Race to remember Steve Doherty followed by a Party at the SH Marina Pavilion. The Race is at 10:00am and will be held in Memory of Steve who was instrumental in establishing sailboat racing as a key event in the SHBC Boat Club activities. For the Party at 5:00 pm, the SH Marina Pavilion will be decorated in

a Red, White, and Blue Theme. The Decorations Committee will need





With Honor & Gratitude We Remember

Volunteers to help create an atmosphere for the party. Decorators will need to be at the pavilion by 2:30 pm. If you would like to help us create a RED/WHITE/BLUE Theme at the Marina Pavilion, contact: Ellen Henderson via text or call: (727) 656-4089.

The **Party Co-Hosts** will be **New Member Ron Carew** and **Club Treasurer Joan Marzi**. The Club will be providing **PIZZA** (\$ donations will be accepted at the May 4<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting at the SH Library and at the Party). Members and their guest are also asked to bring a **POT LUCK Item** either: **an appetizer, side dish, salad or a dessert.** 

We are also looking for a **Party Photographer**, and **Clean-up crew**. A "hands-up" for volunteers will be announced at our next Club meeting on May 4th. There will also be a **50/50 drawing**.

Recently departed SHBC Member Bob Meadows' life will also be celebrated.



We suggest you come wearing red, white, and blue as photos will be taken for our Facebook Page and Newsletter. Our Master of Ceremonies will announce the **Winner** of the **Steve Doherty Memorial Race**. Remember to **Save the Date** of **MONDAY, May 30th** on your **calendars!** 

After dinner, we will be entertained by Tyler Marais & "The Seahawks" Jazz Band.



# RECAP OF GUEST SPEAKER- JACK YOURA FROM THE FEB. 2<sup>nd</sup> SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX JACK YOURA

Jack Youra was the Guest Speaker for our FEB. 2 SHBC Meeting at the SH Library. Jack was our previous Guest Speaker on APR. 1 2015 for the SHBC Meeting in which he gave a talk, with photos from his January cruise in the British Virgin Islands (BVI). We heard about what went right and lessons learned in selecting a crew to share a sailboat for a week. Jack also co-presented with Mikey Hembrey at our ZOOM Meeting in June, 2021 on "Communications At Sea". Not only is Jack an SHBC Member and Licensed 100 Ton Captain, he gave a talk, with photos from research he had done on "Boating Foibles", which ranged from small sailboats capsizing during a race, large sailboats colliding during a regatta to large Tanker and Cruise Ship mishaps. It was as times funny, but also scary. As Captain Ron said in the Movie, "If it's going to happen, it will happen out there!".



#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Press Contact: D. Scott Croft, 703-461-2864, <u>SCroft@BoatUS.com</u> Photo Available at: <u>https://www.boatus.com/news-room//Images/Releases/GovAff E15 Waiver Fuel for Summertime</u> is not good for batter Fuel for Summertime and the second second

Photo Caption: Try to find the small, square orange label on this pump warning consumers that the fuel labeled "regular unleaded" is prohibited for use in boats and other power equipment. (Credit: National Marine Manufacturers Association)



#### Whoa, Boaters! Slow Down on the Recent E15 News

#### It may not be as good as you think

SPRINGFIELD, Va., April 18, 2022 – There's been a lot of pain at the pump lately with gas prices. The Biden administration's April 12 move to give a waiver from the Clean Air Act to allow the sale of gasoline containing 15% ethanol (E15) during the summer months is intended to lower costs and stretch the nation's fuel supply. However, Boat Owners Association of The United States (<u>BoatUS</u>) says the

unintended consequence of the waiver could inadvertently put a harmful fuel prohibited for use in recreational vessels into your boat's gas tank.

BoatUS notes recreational vessels are never compatible with E15 (15% ethanol). It is not permitted by federal law to use E15 fuel in boats (as well as motorcycles, off-road vehicles and power equipment), voids the engine warranty, and it has been proven to cause damage to marine engines. It also causes engines to run hotter and contains less energy than E10. Recreational vessel engines may only use gasoline containing no more than 10% ethanol (E10).

"While we understand the need to save money, we are concerned that fuel retailers may market E15 (15% ethanol) fuel, such as 'regular 88' or 'regular unleaded' as a lower cost alternative to E10," said BoatUS Manager of Government Affairs David Kennedy. "And therein lies the problem — the majority of recreational boats are refueled at roadside gas stations and, with almost no safeguards in place, there is a real chance that boat owners, looking for a bargain will misfuel their boats with E15 fuel."

E15 dispensing pumps have a poor warning regime, sometimes just a single orange label on the pump, which is ineffective at informing consumers. A 2020 Outdoor Power Equipment Institute (OPEI) poll shows that only about one in five consumers know that "regular 88" — or 88 octane fuel — has more ethanol (15%) in it than 87 octane (10% ethanol) fuel.

Kennedy further explains: "To refuel, boaters head to their local gas station with the boat in tow for a fill-up. Newer tow vehicles may be compatible with E15. "Regular 88" is selected and dispensed into tow vehicle's gas tank. Then the boater pulls the trailer rig forward to refuel the boat. Without a clear understanding, the "Regular 88" fuel dispensing nozzle is put in the boat's fuel tank fill, and you soon end up with a tank full of prohibited E15 fuel."

Without the waiver, E15 fuels are prohibited for sale during the summer months (June 1 – September 15) as a way to address the higher ethanol fuel's contribution to ground level ozone (smog) on hot days.

The administration's April 12 "fact sheet" also notes USDA is considering additional action to facilitate the use of E15 year-round and other actions to significantly increase the sale and use of higher blends of ethanol fuels.

It is also notes EPA is considering modifications to pump labeling. "That is something BoatUS fully supports," added Kennedy.

## **Roatan (A Honduras Island) Vacation**

By Linda Mills, Pix too.

We spent wonderful 5 days in Roatan, Honduras at Grand Roatan Resort. This was the first time we have been out of the country since Covid and it was a relief to know we can finally travel again.



Roatan has the 2<sup>nd</sup> largest Reef in the world which was our main purpose for going to Roatan was to snorkel. Also, we chose the Grand Roatan Resort because of the reef just in front of the Resort. We saw beautiful coral and colorful fish. We snorkeled for 3 days. I came back with a sunburn on the back of my legs. I would highly recommend for

the women to wear leggings. Thank goodness I did cover with a shirt over my bathing suit.







Dining at our resort was right on the water. It was so romantic watching the sunset while having dinner. However, the Resort is in construction adding another building and I heard they may be moving the dining from the seaside (Yuk). Food was very good. Hotel amenities include a swimup bar, and Jacuzzi. Breakfast and pickup service from the airport was included.



The Hotel also provided transportation to Luna Muna fine dining restaurant.

We took a private tour of Victor's Monkey & Sloth Sanctuary on the way to the airport. We could hold the sloths, birds and monkeys. Not sure you can do this in the US.

We had been to Roatan on a Cruise before, but Roatan seems a lot different staying in a resort than on a Cruise. On a cruise, you only have a small taste of the island not realizing how much there is to do there. Natives told us their story of how the island was locked down during





Covid for a whole year. Missionaries sent food to the Island to help residents survive as they are fully

dependent on the tourist and Cruise Ships. They were not allowed to go to the beach, but of course the kids snuck out to the beach eventually. How can you hold kids back from the beach???

Swimming with the Dolphins was a lot of fun too.

# Navigating turbulent insurance waters calls for planning, preparation, and patience.

Reprinted from BoatUS article.



## DOWN UNDER JILL

By Ellen Henderson; Pix: Archives



Formerly active SHBC Member and Nurse Jill Lunt was under lock down in Botany Downs, Auckland with her daughter Sarah and family for two years due to the Covid flying restrictions into Manila. She originally flew in from Sydney just before border lock downs, because the cruise booked from Sydney to there was cancelled. Up until that time, the journey from Florida to her new home in Manila was going well, including a 2-night train trip through the Rockies to San Francisco, later flying to wonderful Fiji before staying with a school friend in Sydney.

**UPDATE:** We just heard from Jill's **good friend Catherine Conover** (who was a previous SHBC Guest Speaker) that **Jill** has **finally arrived in Manila** and has settled into her 27<sup>th</sup> Floor Condo downtown. This is where her Architect Son and his family live, so she's quite happy there.

In case you would like to drop a line or just visit, Jill's new address is Apt 4317 Sheridan N. Tower, 1550 Sheridan St, Mandaluyong City 1554 Metro Manila, Philippines Love Jill xx

#### St PATTY'S DAY PARTY - SAT., MARCH 19th

ARTICLE: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: MARION RUUGE-ARONSON & LINDA MAKSEL

Aye, 'twas another good day, when we gathered to celebrate our Safety Harbor Boat Club's traditional St Patrick's Day, as the party began at 5:00 pm at the SH Marina Pavilion with the wearin' of the green. The party was Hosted by Mark & Ann Kanuck and we all enjoyed ourselves. Ellen Henderson, Linda & Randy Mills and Quinton Smith (Lighting Director Extraordinaire) all decorated the place in the fine shades of Irish Green with shamrocks, green bows and streamers.

Of course, after puttin' it all up, at the end it had to be taken down by the same crew plus Gina Cameron, Marion Ruuge-Aronson, Linda Maksel, Joan Marzi, John Viverito plus Mark & Ann Kanuck. And there was music for singin'! We be thankin' Brian Garry for makin' that to happen with his Irish CD. Brian, with his fine Irish tenor led us in song. Marion Ruuge-Aronson and Linda Maksel were the day's photographers.

Thank you, Vice Commodore John Viverito, for arranging for the New England boiled dinner of corn beef and cabbage, boiled potatoes and carrots and rolls and butter, etc. from The Stuffed Mushroom. The young lass (Linda), who served us up made sure our plates were full of this fine fare. John Viverito also supplied the Irish Mini Cupcakes for dessert. The wind that provided the sailors for the morning race came in even stronger as the afternoon wore on, spinning the **Pin Wheels** as a Greeting, as our SHBC Members strolled up the walkway from the Marina Parking Lot toward the Pavilion. It was a "soft day" as they say.....for Ireland.





















## Four Vacations in Three Months

By Ron Carew, with Pix

#### Maine







#### Dc/Va







#### Smokey Mts





#### Isle St Maarten



## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL OF OUR SHBC MEMBERS



08 May 2022

## SUN 'N FUN INTERNATIONAL FLY-IN & EXPO AIRSHOW

ARTICLE: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: RENEE VIVERITO, MARK KANUCK & TIM SINDT + ARCHIVES

A gang of fourteen SHBC Members and their guests met on Sat., APRIL 9TH @ 3:00 pm behind the FREE Parking Lot (next to the Harbor Bar) across from the Stuffed Mushroom on SH's Main Street and formed carpools. The carpool drivers were Mark Kanuck (riders Ann Kanuck plus, Jack & Bonnie Box); John Viverito (riders Renee Viverito plus her family from Colorado + Joan Marzi) and Leslie Sindt (riders Tim Sindt, Ellen Henderson plus guest Leah Conway) and Ron Poirson, who rode solo from Pasco County to attend the SUN 'N FUN INTERNATIONAL FLY-IN & EXPO Airshow.



We arrived at the Lakeland Linder International Airport about 4:30 pm. So, we joined a bunch of locals parked along the entrance road to the main International Airport to watch the ongoing daytime Air Show of the Blue Angels and other small planes flying directly over us during our "Tail Gate Party" until 5:15 pm, then the Parking Lot started to empty out for the night time participants



to enter.

The good news was the rates did indeed go down from \$39.00 (daytime fee) to \$10.00 for the evening show plus \$10.00 per carpool for parking (still a bargain). Unfortunately, probably due to pent-up demand from having a two-year hiatus, the evening entrance situation was vexing, as the police would not allow us to enter along Medulla Road, but forced us all to go round and round until we finally found an open gate. Since our carpool had a handicapped sticker, we were able to park very near the main gate.

After finding the Food Tent and enjoying the local fare, we found the Seaplane exhibits were indeed interesting. Former SHBC CLUB COMMODORE Mark Kanuck headed over to

the Military "Warbird Country" area. After surveying our US Tax Dollars at work, they then took off to see the Sport/Aerobatic Planes, this writer's area of interest. We marveled at how the workhorse Cessna 2- seaters (150, 152's) had become over the last ten years. The Homebuilt Vintage, Rotorcraft and Seaplane exhibits were indeed interesting.

The group also got to see all of the new and vintage airplanes, which have flown in from all over the country. The On-the-Ground portion of the FLY-IN has grown exponentially over the years, with a huge variety of planes and vendors of flying-related organizations and aeronautical supplies and the ubiquitous food trucks. Piedmont Airlines was represented with one of their big passenger planes.

It was now time for the Saturday evening airshow from 7:30 to 9:30 pm. After all of our walking, we trundled back to our cars (we had wristbands for re-entry) to get our lawn chairs, after-dark warm clothes and flashlights. we were lucky and got a great viewing area to watch the excitement. As darkness was descending upon the spectators, the Aerobatic Teams each had LED lights to outline their planes as they did their amazing maneuvers, just before dark as the Parachutists and Hang Gliders started their portion of the Show.



It was time to see the Aerobatic Teams. Each of these performers were shooting spectacular fireworks out of their LED lit up planes as they did their maneuvers. This was followed by the most incredible Fire Works display that any of us had ever seen! We mused on how well they coordinated the music with the flying and the fireworks. We were exhilarated from the 48th Annual SUN 'N FUN INTERNATIONAL FLY-IN.

This is a must do event for SHBC in 2023. Put in on your Calendar.





## **ALTERNATIVE TO SAILING IN COLORADO**

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: INTERNET

In late Spring, usually around **Easter** each year, various **Colorado Ski areas** turn the bottom of their major downhill trail into a "pond". In full view of the "snow bunnies" both inside and outside of the Main Lodge, adventurous skiers finish their run trying to skim across the maybe frozen or slush pond, as the temps have warmed up to the high thirty's or low forty's. Some make is across, while others have to change clothes after this wet run.

This is referred to as "Pond Skimming" and this writer observed the phenomena while wearing Easter Bunny Ears on the Slopes for the Holiday Skiing at Keystone Ski Area. Check out the adventure on YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6YIadkIkOuM



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There's a lot of things to love about skiing in the Springtime. Longer days, warmer temps, "Hero" snow that can make any skier feel like a pro, and of course, those epic après parties that stretch deep into the afternoon sun. But the most the quintessential Springtime skiing ritual ever devised has to be— the pond skim. While no one

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