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GUEST SPEAKERS FOR MAR SHBC MEETING

Submitted by Ellen Henderson

Plan to attend the Wed., March. 5 SHBC Meeting at the Safety Harbor @ 6:30 PM, during which our Guest Speaker will be **Dan Chesnut**. Dan has made 2 previous presentations to SHBC on different topics in 2013. This year's topic is: "**Tornados, Waterspouts, And Similar Monsters**": Insights into west Florida twisters for boaters and non boaters.

Make sure to attend this meeting, as the topic will be pertinent in the next couple of months, when Hurricane Season & the daily afternoon storms will be upon us.

NEED DECORATORS FOR SHBC ST. PATTY'S DAY PARTY

Submitted by Ellen Henderson



Our SHBC ST. PATTY'S DAY PARTY will be held on Sat. March 15. We're again heading up the Decorating Committee. It's always a lot of fun to transform the Pavilion into a "sea of green & white decorations" to help celebrate our Club's biggest annual event. Anna (Jack Myer's girlfriend) has agreed to help as have Betty Taylor and Connie Pope. But we need more help.

So, if you plan to race, you'll need to be at the SH Marina Pavilion by 12:00 noon to get started. The non-racers should show up about 12:30 pm to finish the job, while we're off racing. It's a very easy task: setting up plastic table cloths, putting green streamers around the Pavilion's 12 support poles, hanging both decorations & blowing up & hanging a few balloons. We already have all the supplies ready to go. Just call Ellen Henderson @ [\(727\) 797-9380](tel:7277979380), if you would like to help.

CELEBRATING SHBC MEMBERS' MARCH 3RD CRUISE TO KEY WEST

LYRICS TO THE SONG, "YACHT CLUB BAR"

Sung by Lin and Larry in the Storm Tactics DVD

I love to sit around the yacht club bar
and talk about the things we're going to do.
I love to sit around the yacht club bar
because it doesn't move.
The swells are big and the winds are high
but that don't bother me.
Cause I never get lost and my tummy doesn't toss
It's a wonderful life on the sea. My boat it is a big one boys.
My crew it is the best.
We race around the entrance buoy beating all the rest.
We're the first ones home with a bent elbow and a powerful salt spray thirst.
We sit around and drink all night and see who comes in first.
Chorus- I love to sit around the yacht club bar
I took her out one Sunday, we got about five miles out
The wind it was a screaming, right dead out of the south.
The waves they must have been two feet high, the swells at least one more.
I'm so lost and my tummy is tossed, I'll never get back to the shore.
My head it was a reeling, my feet got tangled up.
Those damn old sheets were everywhere, just trying to trip me up.
The halyard broke, the boom fell down, the main took off like a bird.
Mayday was my final cry as I dived beneath my berth.
My sailing days are over, cause of that great scare.
You others take a warning, and don't you go out there.
There's winds and seas and swells so high, how can you stay afloat.
Be like me and drink to the sea and don't untie your boat.



Written by **Glenn Marsden** in 1987, arranged by **Dick** and **Chris Todd**. These musically inclined folks met while cruising the lagoons of Baja California, Mexico. They all hailed from Newport Beach where, for most of the year, the average wind speed at the "entrance buoy" is from 5 to 12 knots.

Editor's Note: The February 2014 issue of *Cruising World* (Pg 52) has an excellent article on Lin and Larry Pardey. The article is an excerpt from their new biography, "As Long As It's Fun" (publisher Paradise Cay).

SHBC CRUISE TO BAHAMA BREEZE RESTAURANT

Submitted by Ellen Henderson

SHBC Commodore, Ron Poirson originally conceived the idea to reinstate the SHBC CRUISE TO BAHAMA BREEZE RESTAURANT. We were very lucky that when we all met at the SH Marina, the fog burned off quickly, so that our visibility was perfect when the three boats left the dock about 12:30 pm on Sunday, Feb. 26. Since the Wind was "on our nose", we opted to motor all the way to the BAHAMA BREEZE RESTAURANT in Tampa, on the North side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway. "**Wanderlust**" with co-owners Roof Douglas and Ron Poirson (our illustrious Commodore) and a guest arrived first at the restaurant, where they camped out at the outside bar. They were met by Roof's fiancée, Catherine & her friend, who also planned to sail back to SH with them.

The next arrival was "**Incentive**" with owner, Dale Cuddeback and crew: Marty & June Horowitz, plus co-organizer, Chris Dollin (Race Chair) . Following up the rear was "**Amelia**" owned by Barry Fox (Club Treasurer) with his daughter, Dusty and crew Ed Malek and Ellen Henderson. The meal was great at BAHAMA BREEZE and we had excellent service. We hung out there about 2 hours and enjoyed additional post luncheon cocktails on the sailboats, while being entertained by an island band.

We knew we'd have good wind for the return trip as the wind direction had shifted around to the WSW by the time we departed about 4:20 pm. "**Incentive**" had opted to cruise back to SH, while "**Wanderlust**" and "**Amelia**" with Chris Dolling, who had jumped ship, decided to race back. The race started along the North side of the middle of the Courtney Campbell Bridge's highest span and ended by our permanently anchored stationary committee boat and a temporary pin end, left behind from the previous day's race. "**Wanderlust**" quickly shot out ahead, but was eventually overtaken by "**Amelia**" with lots of tacking, which is always fun for the crew. The weather was perfect and we all look forward to the Club's next Day Cruise.





Back Bay Race and Wienie Roast

By Barry Fox

John Viverito came from behind to win by 3 seconds...he did a great job of reading the wind shifts and tacking quickly during a long beat on the final leg.

Also, Chris Dollin needs a big pat on the back for organizing the Back Bay Triangle race, sending out email notices, getting the course set with the help of Dale and then she donned her chef's hat and grilled hot dogs to feed all those hungry racers at the post-race get together. Chris did most of the work and should be commended for a job Well Done!!





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Manhasset Bay, NY

By Mike Hembrey

This report is a composite of two trips to Manhasset, NY, fortunately before the Great Blizzards of 2013. We had the opportunity to entertain our granddaughter, meaning we might have never made these destinations otherwise.

My son (Jason) could see I was having a Marine Withdrawal after only two days, so he arranged lunch at a waterside restaurant. We were sitting at the restaurant table when I took this. The location is on Channel Drive in Kings Point. I think Mitchell Creek feeds this area.



Looking over my shoulder, I saw a guy living the good life. My envy faded...

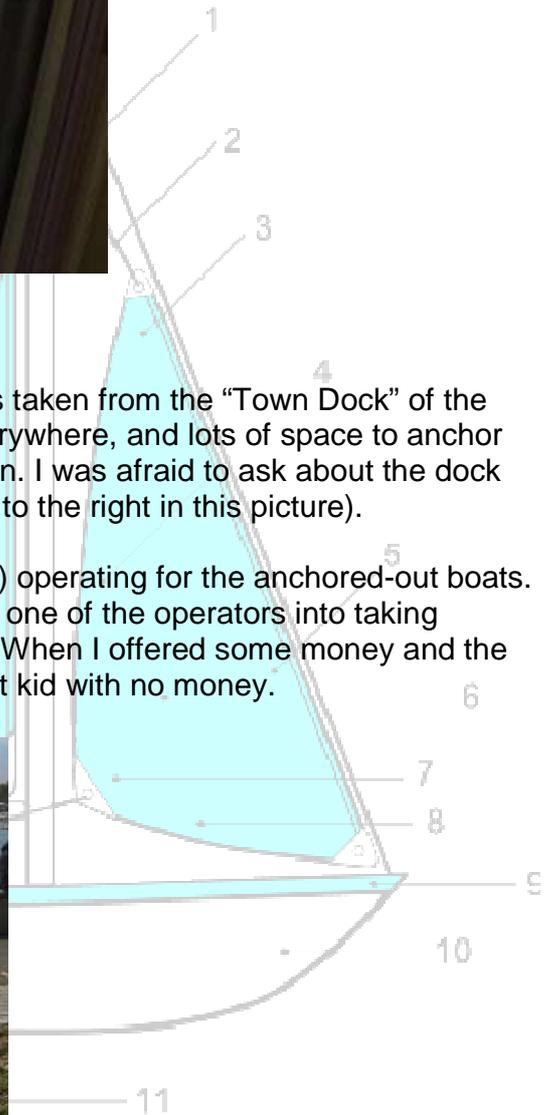


...when we got this right after Christmas. ☺



Manhasset Bay is pretty good in size. The next picture was taken from the “Town Dock” of the Port Washington Municipal Marina. There are marinas everywhere, and lots of space to anchor out. Anchor balls rent for about \$1200 for a 3-month season. I was afraid to ask about the dock rates for the Manhasset Bay Marina (across the water and to the right in this picture).

There is a Municipal Taxi service (<http://portwatertaxi.com/>) operating for the anchored-out boats. Using our granddaughter Jasmine as leverage, Deb talked one of the operators into taking Jasmine (meaning all of us) for a free ride around the bay. When I offered some money and the operator refused, I told him to keep it and use it for the next kid with no money.



Another trip was to the Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery and Aquarium. It was a pretty interesting place that raised fish and turtles for both commercial use and nature replenishment. We discovered Jasmine did not do so well when she found out a huge turtle display was not a model, but had been alive at one time. Fortunately, out of sight, out of mind actually worked.

The fishery had a variety of ponds built for raising fish. As you can see, there is quite a large variety of fish raised here,



I left this image large so you can see the detail. You can buy their fish food (smart marketing!) to feed the fish. When you toss some in the water, you get a feeding frenzy that rivals Piranha.



They also raise turtles. They start in the aquarium house and then move them to pools when they are large enough. Birds will grab them when they are tiny. You cannot see it very well, but some of the fish pools, like that next to the picnic tables above, are covered by nets to protect the little guys from birds.



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