

# S.H.B.C.

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### August Issue Comments

By Mike Hembrey

[1] Road Trip!!! I drove to KY for my 50<sup>th</sup> high school reunion,, then PA and NY to visit relatives. You will likely be reading this issue before I return.

[2] Not much sailing-related activity until NY. Report follows. ☺

### SHBC FOURTH OF JULY FESTIVITIES AT THE SAFETY HARBOR MARINA

Submitted by Ellen Henderson

Several boats attempted to anchor out, as planned on July 4th to watch the Safety Harbor holiday fireworks, however **Incentive** and **Chris'** new boat **Sun King** rapidly returned to their boat slips, as impending storms were heading in from the West.

**Barry**, aboard **Amelia** had been watching the radar and had decided to wait, which was fortuitous. Aboard **Amelia**, were **Barry's** Daughter, **Dusty** and Grandson, **Thomas**, who was visiting from Michigan. The boat had rapidly filled up with lots of crew including **Aussie Chris**, our fearless Racing Chair, **Ed**, who donated extra, newly-acquired life jackets to **Incentive** and **Amelia**, **Jill**, our unofficial Club nurse and **Ellen**. We quickly set up the bimini and tarp to protect our large crew in the cockpit. **Chris** buttoned up **Sun King** and joined in the libations for a while.

Aboard Dale's **Incentive**, regular crew **Marty**, **June** and new member, **Joan** were joined by recent Bikini Cup Crew **Sharon**, along with her out-of-town guests **Diane** and **Rhonda**.

**Wanderlust's** co-owner, **Roof** was joined by his own "gang".

**Dick** and his crew on the seawall also opted to remain in his slip for the evening's festivities.

Aboard **Amelia** we had all manner of hors d'oeuvres and fine wine, beer and exotic rum drinks as we anticipated the evening's entertainment in the skies.

We were very lucky in that the rain stopped shortly before the Fireworks were scheduled to begin. Indeed, they were worth the wait. It was comical to watch the "dry land" spectators scurry away & hustle back (umbrellas in hand) to watch the sky light up over Safety Harbor.

Later on, **Sharon** brought her ukulele over from **Incentive** and entertained our crew with a sing along aboard **Amelia**. What a great time we had on the celebration of our country's Independence.

If you missed this year's festivities, come join us in 2015 for the SHBC July 4th RAFTUP.

## **Report on Capt. Busy BAG:**

Featuring Brian Garry

Looks like Brian has been pretty busy lately. Not only did he make the overnight sail, but now he is a TV Star!....

From Brian:

[Click here: The Last Supper](http://thelastsupper.tv/) , (http://thelastsupper.tv/) Here it is..... sounds like an interesting challenge.... *'Tony Shoes'.... is up for the Job!*

*We hope all works out Super... with the LAST SUPPER TV.. series...*



See the Insert Box: scroll down, and read about Cast Characters... thus far.

Like Buddy Holly & the KING, wailed: "**I m All Shook Up**"..... ooh, ooh

**'See Ya All.... on the Tube'.**

**Brian Garry, aka: Tony Shoes**

Brian,  
Congrats on getting the part. Be sure to let us know which network and when it will be aired.  
Mikey

Mikey,

Will Do Mate... after we 'Shoot' 5 Episodes, put them 'In the Can'... so on..

As a follow up: Last Sat/Sun over-night Cruise-A-Cade... drew only 5 SHBC members... Corey/Julie Knowles, BAG/PIG, and Chris Dolin... The other 5, were a prospective member, Susan Hiller, and her two younger female children/friends... plus two friends of Chris, Mr. and Mrs. Morse... which made only 10, for a lunch/pool side visit.

"O' Malley" & "Wild Irish Rose", stayed the day/eve/night...enjoying Pools, Foods, Bars, etc.. we both shoved off, later AM, Sunday.. back to our home ports..

CAPT. BAG's briefing.

## Upcoming Tour of Port Tampa Bay Command Center

Submitted by Ellen Henderson

Two years ago, on [August 21, 2012](#)

(<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.418858031484685.84359.279591465411343&type=1>) Safety Harbor Boat club joined with two other groups for a FREE, docent led cruise in the Port Of Tampa, which is now call Port Tampa Bay. The day was organized by Ellen Henderson. Later we got together in Ybor City and had lunch at Carmines. Fantastic lunch with great people. This was followed by a tour of the Italian American Club in Ybor plus the Cigar Factory Museum and the homes where the cigar workers lived near the factory. If you go to our Club Facebook page, you see 8 photos [Port of Tampa Cruise](#).(<https://www.facebook.com/media/set/?set=a.418858031484685.84359.279591465411343&type=1>)

SHBC member, Paul Pope passed along the suggestion for this great informative tour, which we all thoroughly enjoyed. Paul was our Club's Guest Speaker for our JULY 2nd Meeting. Since he's a TAMPA PORT AUTHORITY manager in the IT Dept., Paul is very up-to-date on the current and future activities of the Port Tampa Bay. Who knew that 11,000 trucks pass through the Port on a regular basis. We learned so much about the Port that our appetites were wetted for a future Tour that Paul has set up for the Port's Command Center. Stay tuned for the specific date and time

## Saturday Race Report - July 19.

By Chris Dolin

It had been raining cats and dogs most of the week, but predicted to ease off for the monthly summer race. Captain Jack Meyers had been out of town, and I didn't know if he was back, so I sent Ed Malek a text asking if Jack and he would be racing Jewell Anne.

Here is the response:

"Yeah we are ... but you probably won't see us for long as the Jewell Anne will be so far ahead you will need a Hubble Telescope to see us. My advice for you is to stay home and knit something so you get a sense of satisfaction instead of suffering through a day of utter frustration and humiliation at the ass\*\* whipping your boat will have to endure!" **Prediction accuracy?**

\*\* Acronym for 'A Serious Situation', not profanity...

There were 5 boats out for the race which was nice to see. However, the winds were very light and the course was shortened to go to the white mark and back. The captains and crew enjoyed a pizza party afterwards in the Pavillion.

Here are the results of the 3.1 mile course:

	<b>Finish</b>	<b>Elapsed</b>	<b>Corrected</b>
1. Wanderlust	12:43:02	2:13:02	12:40:58
2. Amelia	12:43:04	2:13:04	12:43:04
3. Pegasus	12:47:14	2:17:14	12:45:10
4. Jewell Anne	12:49:50	2:19:50	12:48:32
SunKing	DNF		

## Baseball and Pizza - Good Times!

By Barry Fox



The crack of a fastball rocketing off the hitters bat, the umpire's unintelligible third strike bellow, the roar of an appreciative home crowd after a flawlessly executed double play - those were the sounds and sights witnessed by Safety Harbor Boat Club members at a recent Thursday night Dunedin Blue Jays vs Jupiter Hammerheads baseball game. This SHBC outing was organized by Julie & Cory Knowles.

Minor league baseball games offer an incredible value - high quality baseball at a very low price. This particular Thursday night Blue Jays game was an even better deal because it was Pizza Night and Thirsty Thursday - all you could eat pizza provided by local pizza restaurants combined with \$2 draft beers. After chowing down, fans were asked to vote for their favorites -cheese, pepperoni, specialty, dessert, etc. The winning restaurants were awarded trophies during a late game inning break.



SHBC members had great seats behind the Blue Jays dugout near first base, the scene of between-innings entertainment. The funniest was the "Frozen T-Shirt Contest" while the most heartwarming was the four generation family reunion group who led the park in singing "Take Me Out To The Ballgame" during the 7th inning stretch.



Thanks again to Julie and Cory for organizing this fun summer evening outing for the club. Oh, last but certainly not least, the Blue Jays won 5 - 2.

Good times!

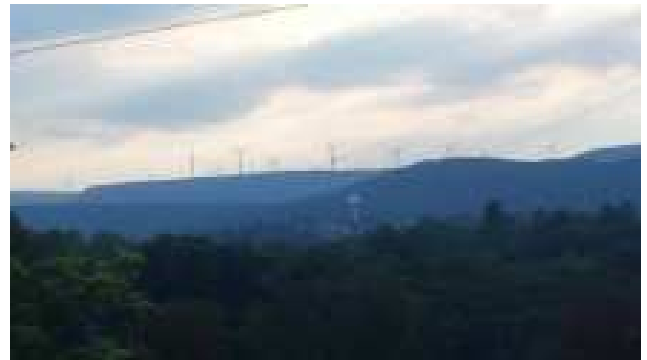
## Road Trip !!!

By Mike Hembrey

I decided to drive to KY for my 50<sup>th</sup> High School Reunion. It would cost dramatically less<sup>[1]</sup> than flying into and out of Louisville. No way I could go there without visiting the "WC Lounge", or White Castle to those not educated. You may not know, but White Castle is the birth place of the "Slider" name for burgers. Crystal burgers are similar, but are not even close to the flavor. Had I realized I would be hanging out with a bunch of old retired people, I might have reconsidered. Not true! I would have made the trip for the White Castles.



The next leg was to be on to NY, but my brother said "why not stop in Altoona", PA to visit his youngest daughter. I turned that into 2 days free lodging and a couple of free meals. If you have not driven thru the PA mountains, you are missing some great scenery. Teri's picture window looks right out at a windmill farm on the mountain tops. Those things are 300 feet tall and have 150-foot rotor blades. They are HUGE! I stopped counting at 30 of them.



The drive to Long Island thru New York City was relatively painless. My son Jason was on Google Maps giving me traffic updates. Ha! If you have not tried Google Maps, you might find it both interesting and useful.

Now we get to the part where this story has to do with water and boats....

Jas knew I would be having Marine Withdraw symptoms by now, so he arranged lunch at the Butler's Flat Clam Shack, located in the marina. Their biz card says Brewer Capri Marina West, but where you turn in, the sign says Strong's Marina. At least they both agree they are in Port Washington on Long Island. Lunch was fish sandwiches and fried clams. Both were very good.



Quick diversion: I went back later in the week to get fried oysters. Their menu item said "roll", but it was not a burrito style wrap like you might expect. It was really more like a sub (oyster sub sandwich, really???), so I asked them if they could keep the bread and spicy mustard. Ordering the oysters was a big mistake. They were so fresh and delicious that I don't think I can ever eat Tampa Bay oysters again.



Having my own car up here gave me the freedom to explore on my schedule. One trip was to find a place I could take my granddaughter (Jasmine, 5 years old) out for a casual sail. I found a multi-



purpose activity center in Oyster Bay. They rent kayaks, paddle boards, sailboats of various sizes, and provide lessons for all of them. With estuary programs as well, The Waterfront Center (<http://www.thewaterfrontcenter.org/>) is an all-in-one service. If we do not have something this comprehensive in Tampa Bay, we should.

In one picture, you can see what appears to be a pirate ship. At least we build THOSE better. When a boatload of youngsters were about half way back to the dock, the “pirate” boat shot off a cannon with a boom that made EVERYONE jump, including the staff. Who says boating is not fun?



On the way home, I will be stopping at the Green Bank Radio Observatory (<https://public.nrao.edu/tours/visitgbt>) in West Virginia to satisfy my Electronics Geek side. I will not have pictures in time, so you are getting a pre-announcement for the September issue.

[<sup>1</sup>] It was not a dramatically less cost after all. In NY, I had to pay \$3000+ for car repairs. Actually, I was very lucky to make it to NY and not break down in the mountains of PA. I do not count this expense against the trip because it was coming anyhow. I left FL knowing it was bad and hoping I would at least make it to Jason’s house. Who says praying does not work?

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