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The S.H.B.C. Sentinel is a periodic publication containing the stories and pictures of past events. Material is provided by Club Members and Guests and barely edited. Nothing provided here represents an official position of the Safety Harbor Boat Club.

Guest Speaker for MAR. 4 SHBC Meeting

By Ellen Henderson

Our Guest Speaker for our MAR. 4 SHBC Meeting @ 6:30 PM at the Safety Harbor Library will be **Dan Chesnut**, who will be giving his presentation on his sailing trip to the Dry Tortugas. He may provide some helpful information to those planning a future journey or for those who have already sailed there to compare trip notes.

Dan is an excellent presenter and he has given two previous talks to SHBC on Racing Tactics and Weather Planning for Racing and Cruising.

RECAP OF FEB. SHBC MEETING'S GUEST SPEECH

By Ellen Henderson

Many thanks are extended to Mark Mitchelson from the Hillsboro Marine Patrol. Mark gave our SHBC members and guests an insight into what is involved in guarding the Tampa Bay Port Authority and all of the Hillsboro County waterways. Oh, and they're shorthanded and are looking for recruits.



ST PATRICK'S DAY RACE AND IRISH MEAL SUNDAY MARCH 15TH SAFETY HARBOR MARINA

The Safety Harbor Boat Club invites all members and guest to the Annual St. Patrick's Day Boat Race and Irish Meal at Marina Park in Safety Harbor on March 15th. Race starts 2:00PM. Cocktails and Appetizer's from 4:00PM to 5:00PM. Meal Served at 5:00PM

Come and enjoy a fun day for the entire family.



“Are you ready for some racing”!!!! Some of Tampa Bay's finest Captains and their boats will compete out of the Safety Harbor Marina. A case of Irish beer awaits the 1st place winner.

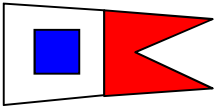


Get some of Tampa Bay's best Corned Beef and Cabbage with all the fixings, while you enjoy some great Irish music.

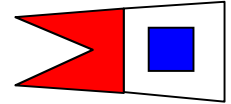
There will be Irish Music, Door Prizes, and 50/50.

The cost will be only \$5.00 per member, and \$7.00 for guest if paid in advance. **Important, payments on St. Patrick's Day will be \$7.00 per member and \$7.00 for guest. Members be sure to pay in advance to take advantage of the discounted price.**

We encourage each family to bring some type of dessert for the meal and or Chips, Dips, Pretzels, Nuts, etc. for the cocktail time to share. The club will supply bottled water.



Safety Harbor Boat Club



2015 Calendar of Events



January

- Sat. 3 - Sat. Race Series - 2:30 PM Start
- Wed. 7 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM - Barry Fox guest speaker
- Sat. 10 - Change of Watch Party - Bahamas Breeze 12 - 5 PM
- Wed. 14 - Winter ORF Race Series (ORF - Old Retired Folks) - 3:30 PM start



- Sat. 17 - St. Pete Classic
- Sat. 24 - *Open for other events*
- Wed. 28 - Winter ORF Race Series - 3:30 PM Start
- Sat. 31 - Sat. Race Series - 2:30 PM Start

February

- Wed. 4 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM - Mark Mitchelson speaker
- Sat. 7 - Sat. Race Series - 2:30 PM Start
- Sun. 15 - Valentine's Day Party - Pot Luck 4PM
Pursuit race start @2 PM - Captain's meeting @ 1 PM
- Wed. 11 - Winter ORF Race Series -  3:30 PM Start
- Sat. 21 - Boat Safety Inspections for those interested
See Chris Garill for an appointment
- Wed. 25 - Winter ORF Race Series  (last one) - 3:30 PM Start
- Sat. 28 - Sat. Race Series - 2:30 PM Start

Note: Marina Parking Closed Feb. 21/22 and possibly 28th for city events

Note: All those interested in taking their boat on Spring Cruise to Keys & Dry Tortuga's must contact Brian Garry - 813-886-9188 or at nisabagref@aol.com no later than March 1 2015 Please copy V.Commodore at vcsailor42@gmail.com

March

- Wed. 4 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM - Connie and Ellen guest speakers
- Sat. 7 - Back Bay Triangle Race - Dock Party afterwards
- Sunday March 8th - Day Light Savings Time begins**
- Wed. 11- First Wed. Evening race Series - 6 PM Start
- Sat. 14 - St. Patrick's Day party - Match or Team Fun Race 2 PM start
- Tue. 17 - St. Patrick's Day**
- Sat. 21 - Alt date for Boat Safety Inspections for those interested
See Chris Garill for an appointment
- Wed. 25 - Wed. Evening Race Series - 6 PM Start
- Sat. 28 - Sat. Race Series - 2:30 PM Start

Note: Marina Parking Closed Mar. 27/28/29 for city events

April

Wed. 1 - Boat Club meeting @ 6:30 PM - Jack Youro guest speaker
Sat. 4 -
Sun. 5 - Easter
Wed. 8 - Wed. Evening Race Series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 11 - City of Safety Harbor Boat Show
Sat. 18 -
Wed. 22 - Wed. Evening Race Series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 25 -

Note: Marina Parking Closed Apr. 10/11/12 & 25 for city events

May

Sat. 2 -
Wed. 6 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM will meet at
Cypress Meadows Community Church - 2180 McMullen Booth Rd.
Sat. 9 - Boca Ciega Woman's Regatta
Sun. 10 - Mother's Day
Wed. 13 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 16 -
Mon. 25 - Memorial Day Party - Race
Wed. 27 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 30 -

**Note: Marina Parking Closed May 2 & 9 for city events
(May 2 date needs to verified)**

June

Wed. 3 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM will meet at
Cypress Meadows Community Church - 2180 McMullen Booth Rd.
Sat. 6 -
Wed. 10 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start *
Sat. 13 -
Sat. 20 -
Sun. 21 - Father's Day - summer begins
Wed. 24 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start *
Sat. 27 -
*Only one race this month which Wed TBA

Note: Marina Parking Closed Jun 5 for city events

July

***Only one race this month which Wed TBA**
Wed. 1 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM
Sat. 4 - PM Fireworks party - **Marina parking closes @ Noon**
Wed. 8 - Wed. Evening Race series 6 PM Start *
Sat. 11 -
Sat. 18 -
Wed. 22 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start *
Sat. 25 -

August *Only one race this month which Wed TBA

Sat. 1 -
Wed. 5 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM
Sat. 8 -
Wed. 12 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start *
Sat. 15 -
Sat. 22 -
Wed. 26 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start *
Sat. 29 -

September

Wed. 2 - Boat Club Meeting @6:30 PM
Mon. 7 - Labor Day Labor Day Weekend Party
Wed. 9 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 12 -
Sat. 19 -
Wed. 23 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 26 -

Note: Marina Parking Closed Sept. 19th, again Sept. 26 for city events reopens at noon (Sept. 19 date needs to verified)

October

Sat. 3 -
Wed. 7 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM
Mon. 12 - Columbus Day Party - Pot Luck - Commodore's Cup Race
Wed. 14 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 24 - SHBC Bikini Race & Party - Details to be announced
Wed. 28 - Wed. Evening Race series - 6 PM Start
Sat. 31 - Halloween Costume Party & Chili Cook-off

November

Sun. 1 - Day Light Savings Time Ends
Wed. 4 - Boat Club Meeting @6:30 PM Nominations for 2016 Club Officers
Sat. 7 -
Sat. 14 -
Sat. 21 -
Sat. 28 -

December

Wed. 2 - Boat Club Meeting @ 6:30 PM Elections of 2016 Club Officers
Sat. 5 -
Sat. 12 -
Sat. 19 - Safety Harbor Holiday Parade - Marina Parking Closed for Holiday Parade staging area
Sat. 26 -

2015 Club Officers

Commodore - Ron Poirson
Vice Commodore - Chris Garill
Treasurer - Barry Fox
Secretary - Connie Pope

JEWEL ANNE SETS THE BAR

By Ellen Henderson

The course plan for the SHBC race on Sat. Feb. 7 was (S) White (N/E) Orange and Finish (W) with Port roundings, as the wind was coming from the S-S/W. "Amelia" with skipper Barry F. at the helm started at the left pin-end and headed for the left side of the course. They became bored very quickly, as they were sailing just on the "edge" of the wind line east of the mark. Their plan was a straight shot to the mark. However, the winds were especially light and Jack M's "Jewel Anne", a Meritt 22' saw better ripples to the West side of the rum line and noticed the wind system (different from "Amelia's") was moving more W/S-W. So we followed the wind, even though the competition wondered why "Jewel Anne" was sailing so far away from the mark.

Per helmsman, Marty H. on "Shibumi", they did their (usual) Vanderbilt start and it was perfect! They chose to be on the right end of the start line and headed N/E following "Amelia".

Chris G's "Jean Marie" started on the lower end of the line and he felt three is the ideal crew for his boat. "Jean Marie" followed "Jewel Anne" along the western side of the course and momentarily pulled ahead of "Jewel Anne", but "Jewel Anne" dug in her heels and went more W/S-W to chase the wind and regained her lead in first place.

"Wanderlust", with Club Commodore, Ron P. at the helm started last and remained there until they made their decisive move during the 2nd leg.

"Jewel Anne" was first around the (S) White mark and owner, Jack M. was getting especially excited about racing this day and he was really getting into his racing groove. Our other crew, Ed M. was thrilled, as this was a new adventure, being first to round a mark. All was well on "Jewel Anne". During the 2nd leg, Jack M. turned the helm over to Ed M., who continued on until the race finish.

While lounging in the doldrums, "Amelia's" crew said a prayer to the Gods of "Yingling". She was then able to get room at the mark and subsequently, passed "Shibumi".

On the second leg (N/E) to the Orange mark "Shibumi" passed "Amelia", as Barry F. opted not to set his pole on the downwind leg. "Shibumi" was now way ahead of both "Jean Marie" and "Wanderlust", who was about to drop out of the race, because of the lack of wind.

At the Orange mark, even though "Jewel Anne" was in the lead and opted to continue chasing the wind line that was north, she missed the wind shift, which "Amelia" caught and was now hardening up from the South left side of the course. The sea breeze was now in full force with building winds with a favored heading of 240 degrees. Things were about to change. "Jean Marie" passed "Shibumi" to leeward about 3/4 along the last leg. "Amelia" was shortening the distance approaching "Jewel Anne", which felt the pressure was on. Several tacks later, "Jewel Anne" retained first place finishing just ahead of "Amelia". It was time to break out the beer and celebrate. See results below.

		Finish	Elapsed	Corrected
1	Jewell Anne	04:59:08	02:03:21	04:50:40
2	Amelia	05:01:56	02:06:09	05:01:56
3	John Marie	05:06:02	02:10:15	05:03:13
4	Shibumi	05:09:12	02:13:25	05:07:26
5	Wanderlust	DNF		

Gasparilla Half-Marathon

By John Vivarito

During the weekend of February 21 and 22, 2015 Skipper John Viverito of Pegasus, gave up time on the water and joined 31,000 others to test his “sea legs” participating in the 2015 Gasparilla Distance Classic. The weekend included several opportunities for “foot racers” to test their abilities. There were half marathon runners, as well as 5 Kilometer, 15 Kilometer and 8 Kilometer distance participants. Some racers tried combinations of the races or even all four races.

Our John chose to run with 6307 others in the half marathon race of 13.1 miles and he ran that race in 2 hours and 35 minutes. That is the fastest he has ever completed a half marathon so he was pretty happy with his new “PR” or “Personal Record.” The winner actually finished in 1 hour and 3 minutes!

Before and after the race, John, his wife Renée, and his longtime friend, Joe from Scottsdale, Arizona (who ran in the 8K race) enjoyed the lovely downtown Tampa waterfront with its interesting and varied restaurants and fabulous scenery.



John as he finished his race

Valentine's Party and Race

By Joan Marzi

The 1st Annual Valentine's Day Potluck Party was a big success, even though it was cold and windy.

Ellen H's decorating team did an outstanding job on the three pavilions at Safety Harbor Marina and there was an abundance of food. 20+ people came and some even brought family members. Everyone participated in the games for wine. The winners of the games follow:

Brian Garry stacked 26 valentine heart candies, which was no small feat in the wind.

There was also a pile of candy hearts. The object was to guess the number of hearts. Marty H nailed it with a guess of 136 candy hearts.

Sue Keller won the MOST RED or PINK game by wearing 26 pieces.

The object of the next 2 person game was to come up with as many natural pairs that your team could think of, like peanut butter and jelly. Christy and Tom came up with 91.

Next was the Torn Heart game. A heart was drawn on paper with a unique tear mark. After studying the tear then it was placed behind your back and you ripped from memory along the tear. Phyllis won.

Barry F was the MC for the How You Met Your Partner game. Each couple told how they met. The deciding factor was from applause. Ted & Janet, who have been married 50 years, won.

Finally, Ellen H made a delicious birthday pie and everyone celebrated by singing Happy Birthday to Barry.

Three boats entered the pursuit race. *Wanderlust* won, skippered by Roof Douglass, and crewed by Marty and June H, and Ron P.

A good time was had by all!

Many thanks are extended to our Decorating Committee: Dusty Dumond, Sherry & Mike Duffy, Jill Lunt, Sue Keller and Ellen Henderson.





Results of Valentine's Day Pursuit race:

- 1. Wanderlust - 3:01:30
- 2. Amelia - 3:02:14
- 3. John Marie - 3:14:29

Pictures from Connie's gifts for children activities...



Notes from the Editor

By Mikey

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Don's Salvage - - I was told they now impose a cover charge just to go looking for items. The reason (excuse) was to cover item theft. I think Don's son was not happy having visitors leave without purchasing anything. Can you imagine West Marine having a door charge? Of course, this is just my opinion and not based on any confirmed rumors.

Next Month.. On-board WiFi Booster system..

I have been planning on adding a signal booster to my boat based on the Ubiquiti Networks BulletM2-HP amplifier. My youngest son lives where there is no cable, so I set him up for WiFi as a test site. **ONCE I GOT IT SET UP**, it worked great for his location. Google was not that much help.

Looking to Buy...

I am still interested in purchasing a **Davis Mark 3** sextant, preferably with an instruction manual and at least one worksheet.

Mikey

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