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Presentation - SHBC ZOOM Mtg - DEC 2, 2020

By Ellen Henderson, Pix - Archives



We're excited about our Presentation "Curated" by Dick Greenhalgh for our DEC. 2nd SHBC Zoom Meeting

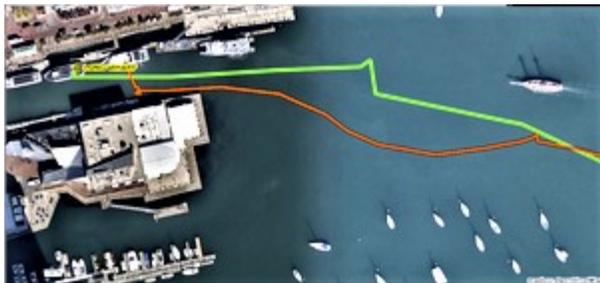
Topic: "Video Cruising With SHBC Over The Years"

Time: DEC. 2, 2020 06:30 PM EST. Will email you the ZOOM info.

Check your email for the ZOOM login details.

Survey – Survey – Survey!

Peter Ubillos (new member) has volunteered to teach a GPS Class for our SHBC Members. There will be a call for a show of hands, at the December ZOOM meeting, asking **how many would be interested** in a GPS class.



If you miss the meeting, or do not plan to attend, please email the Committee at SHBC4fun@gmail.com if you are interested. We don't want Peter to end up teaching to an empty screen.



Knowing how GPS works is useful on land as well as the water. The GPS does not require the user to transmit any data, and it operates independently of any telephonic or internet reception, though these technologies can enhance the usefulness of the GPS positioning information. The GPS provides critical positioning capabilities to military, civil, and commercial users around the world.

RECAP OF NOV. ZOOM GUEST SPEAKER

By Ellen Henderson, Pix by Dan Dickison

On Wed., Nov. 4 Dan Dickison gave a ZOOM Presentation on “Charleston Race Week”. Dan started sailing in the eighties in the Virgin Islands & in 1984 he was on the Olympic Team representing the USVI. For nearly 10 years he was the Media Director for Charleston Race Week and for more than a decade he wrote a monthly column for Southwinds Magazine.

Dan also raced in the Pan Am Games, Antigua Race Week, Newport RI & the 440 Worlds in San Francisco. CRW is the largest Multi Class Regatta in the US with 17 Classes including Multihulls with 6 different races on 4 inshore Courses + 2 Offshore Courses.

There are over 200 on the water volunteers (Chris Dollin was on Race Committee in 2018) plus 100 on shore volunteers. The Regatta is run by the Charleston Ocean Racing Assoc. (CORA), which provides racing seminars for competitors. Charleston is the 4th busiest shipping port on the East Coast. So they must work with the commerce. They were given the One Design Award For Regatta Excellence by US Sailing. The next CRW will be held on April 8-11, 2021.



Images: Left to right...

- The Melges 24 Class has been attending Sperry Charleston Race Week since around 2004, and usually shows up with 30-plus boats.
- Tightly choreographed crewwork is one of the hallmarks of this regatta as some of the top sailboat racers in the country characteristically attend.
- The VX One Design Class always puts on an athletic show at Sperry Charleston Race Week.

IMAGE not shown: One of the more appealing aspects of attending this regatta is the event venue, which boasts a beachfront regatta village just steps away from swanky hotel accommodations and a 300-plus slip marina.

- Big one-design fleets such as the J/70 Class is another hallmark of this regatta, and the reason it has become the country's largest multiclass event.

SHBC BIRTHDAYS

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX FROM ARCHIVES

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays fall in the Holiday Month of **December**.

Birthdays:

12-5 **Bob Meadows**
 12-5 **Chris Dollin**
 12-6 **Gerry Corbino**
 12-21 **Joy Sheets**
 12-28 **Phyllis Garry** <-----



Safety Harbor Christmas Parade

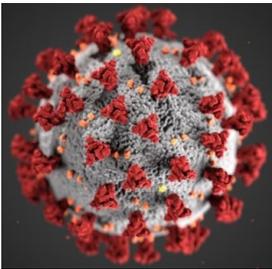
HO, HO, HO Mates!!!



Thanks to SHBC's holiday spirit and energy, SHBC signed up to have a float (boat) in the annual Safety Harbor Holiday Parade on December 21st. We need decorators and marchers and spectators to make this a big success. We've got member Cam Carlin's boat, like last year. Treasurer Mark Kanuck is volunteering to tow the boat in the parade. We will double the number of beads to pass out during the parade.

We need decorators to assemble at 10 AM at the Marina parking lot to dress up the boat and make it festive and bright. The parade starts at 1:00 pm. This activity is lots of fun and laughs for everyone.

Please let Dale know if you can help with the decorating at his email address - decuddeback@gmail.com.



Unfortunately, this year's parade has been cancelled.

ETA Uddah Mess

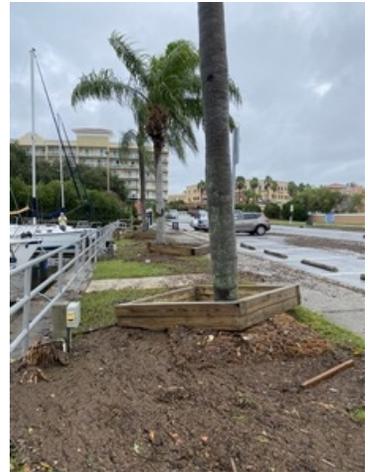
By Linda Brandt, w /Pix

The first picture was taken 4:57pm on Wednesday. The water was up to the docks and high tide wasn't until 12:28am. Around 7:30 the docks were impassable because the water was so high. It would eventually rise above the seawall. At one point, the planters around the palms were floating.

The rest of the pictures were taken on Thursday. I was able to help the owner of the boat stranded between the second and third fingers. I retrieved a line from my boat and the owner, Ray, made a bowline to throw in the hopes of catching on something he could reel in which he finally did. It was being held by only one stern line.

I heard someone saw it before I did and posted it on FB. By the time I got down to the marina around 7:30, it had already been posted to FB. It ended up with 33 likes and 32 shares in an effort to locate the owner.

And the cleanup by the City of Safety Harbor was extraordinary. I can't tell you how many boards were missing from the docks Thursday morning but by Thursday afternoon, they had ALL been replaced!





SHBC Equipment Lost to Eta

By Renee Viverito, Pix by Somebody (Renee?)

Tropical Storm Eta came to the Safety Harbor Marina on Tuesday evening through Wednesday morning November 10-11 and left a mess! While she jostled and tested some of the boats, most stayed sturdily safe in their slips.

The boat club's wheel barrel ended up bobbing in slip 3 and it was rescued by Patrick Whelan, Paul Matthews and John Viverito. But the club's deck box did not fare that well. It ended up broken into 6 pieces, bent and in the mangroves. Luckily its contents stayed there too.

Paul Matthews, John Viverito and two very kind and helpful Safety Harbor City employees from the Building Department pulled it from its watery grave and gave it a proper burial with all the other tons of debris blanketing Marina Park, the parking lot and even Bayshore Boulevard. A very special thank you to Safety Harbor's hard working city crews and our always helpful SHBC Members!



That was some wave!

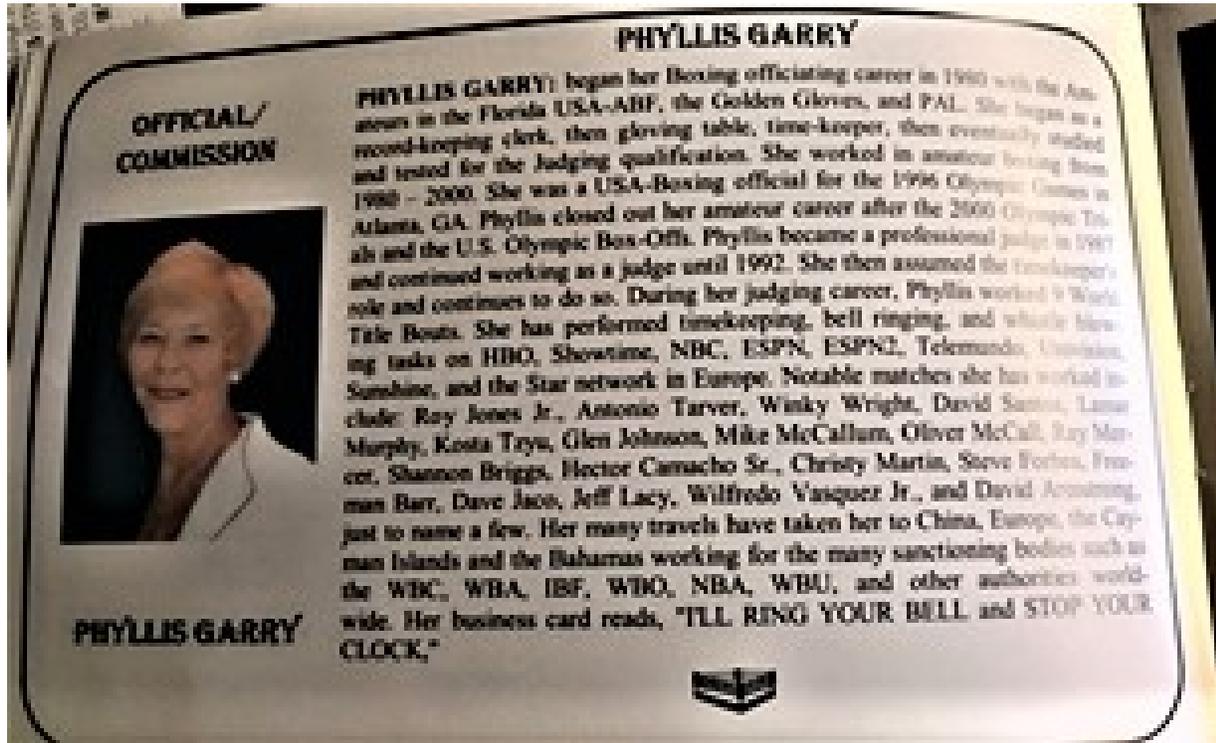


How many sailors does it take to open a dock locker?

Way To Go, Phyllis !!!

By Brian and Phyllis Garry, w/ Pix

This picture is from, our Official Program book, at our FBHOF Induction weekend, in the Marriott Clearwater Hotel.



Note: Sister Roberta and brother in law Rex Hensley from Indiana, Linda Brandt and Assie Christ attended the breakfast and induction ceremony on Sunday 11/8/20

Text excerpt from the event program above...

“Phyllis Garry began her Boxing officiating career in 1980 with the Amateurs in the Florida USA-ABF and PAL. She began as a record-keeping clerk, then gloving table, time-keeper, then eventually studied and tested for the Judging qualification. She worked in amateur boxing from 1980 – 2000. She was a USA-Boxing official for the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta, GA. Phyllis closed out her amateur career after the 2000 Olympic Trials and the U.S. Olympic Box-Offs.”



WELCOME NEW MEMBER: PETER UBILLOS

By ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX by PETER UBILLOS



PETER UBILLOS started sailing in 1976 on his **Interlake 17'**, a **mahogany boat**, which he **rebuilt** and sailed out of **Sharon, Mass.** He also raced this boat in the **"Figawi Regatta"**. **PETER** also owned a **Force 5** and an **Islander 28'**, which he cruised from **Hyannis to Nantucket** and **Block Island.** He crewed/raced on a **27' sailboat** from **Buzzards Bay** in the **Columbus Day Regatta** to **Narraganset Bay.** There were only 2 crew aboard and the weather was quite bad, so they anchored out @ **Cuttyhunk.** On their return, they went up the **Sakonnet River**, under jib and engine, as they had no Main reef points and had to take it down to not be overcome, all while surfing on 8' waves with their dinghy trying to fly past them on its painter. On another trip aboard his **Islander 28'** on the same route they had to cut the dinghy loose, as it was filling up with seawater.

In 1999 **Peter** married **his wife Eileen**, a non-sailor, who did accompany him on his sails as a passenger.

In 2000 he purchased a **Chris Craft 350** and then another **power boat**, a **24' Hydro Sport.** They moved to **FL** in 2003.

Peter was born in **Brooklyn, NY** of **Castilian Spanish** descent. It was his first language until he entered school. **Peter** has an **Electrical Engineering Degree** from **City College.** During his career he designed circuitry for telecom equipment for **Western Electric**, which was part of **AT&T** before its government mandated breakup, and in-process temperature control equipment at

Raytheon in **Mass.** and also worked at **Bowmar**, where he designed the original Pocket Calculator.

After moving to FL, **Peter** joined the **Coast Guard Auxiliary**, where he became a "**Certified Coxswain**". They did **shore patrol** at the **Indian Rocks Bridge** during the **RNC Convention**. **In Jan, 2020** he joined the **Clearwater Power Squadron**, where he met **SHBC Members Ted** and **Janet O'Brien**, who encouraged their Members to participate with Club's activities, so he & his wife **Eileen** joined us as Guests on the **Pontoon Boat Cruise** up in **Pasco County** on the **Cotee River** in Feb.

Unfortunately, his wife, **Eileen**, succumbed to **COVID-19** in July after a debilitating illness.

Peter has a total of eight kids/step kids and 28 grandkids. Three kids live in FL, two in Mass, one in RI and one in Cal. He currently teaches a **Boat Safety Course** for the **Coast Guard Auxiliary** on **ZOOM**.

He is looking forward to participating in future **SHBC Cruising and Racing** plus other activities. **Peter** has volunteered to teach a **GPS Class** for our **SHBC Members**.

SAVE YOUR BARNACLES!

Source: TRAVELS WITH RICK STEVES-NPR



The next time you have your boat bottom cleaned, save the Barnacles, as they have become a delicacy. Restaurants in Galacia in NW Spain (<https://www.sunnysidecircus.com/countries/spain/food-drinks-spain/percebes/>) serve Percebes (gooseneck) Barnacles on the Menu and the Diners Love them! So you might start a trend on the Safety Harbor Dining Scene. Bon Appetite

Haul Out About to Be a Haul In

By Mark Kanuck, w/ Pix



We traveled up to Pensacola on the 11th. Our boat goes back in the water today after a paint job and some minor repairs. I know this is Friday the 13th but keeping my fingers crossed that all will go well.
Mark



WINNERS OF THE VIRTUAL SHBC HALLOWEEN COSTUME CONTEST

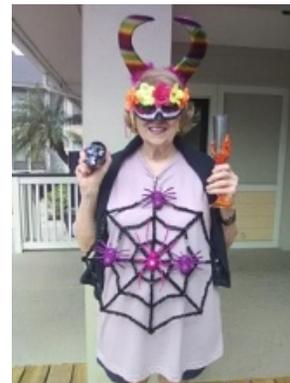
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Our creative **SHBC Club Members** dug deep into their **Costume Closets** to come up with these Winners shown below. Each of the selected four winners garnered a Publix Gift Card with \$10 each.

(Listed left to right)

- **Connie Pope**– “Cov-19 Patient going to ER”
- **Marion Aronson**– “Fallen Angel”
- **Linda Brandt**– “Stranger Things”
- **Ellen Henderson**– “Maleficent”



WAITING FOR THE HALLOWEEN TRICK OR TREATERS

SUBMITTED BY CONNIE POPE



Paul's Halloween pathway to the Pope home.

SHBC SICK BAY

As Told By Marty Horowitz



Very experienced sailor/racer Marty Horowitz turned 87 in May, but after years of suffering with Neuropathy, he has been debilitated to the point of requiring a VA Nurse to come to his home three times a week to assist him. Both Marty and June are slipping fast.

Hurricane/Tropical Storm "ETA"

By John Herrick

Wed., Nov. 11, 8:18 am

We are about to get our first brush by of a hurricane in years, it is raining and windy out, and portends to get worse before it passes. hurricane Eta is 200 miles away and going north.

By this afternoon or tomorrow it should be here. I live near Tampa so you can see by radar it is approaching:

Thurs. Nov. 12 8:04 am

That was fun, watching the wind blow the trees, watching waves with whitecaps, watching the water come halfway up the lawn.

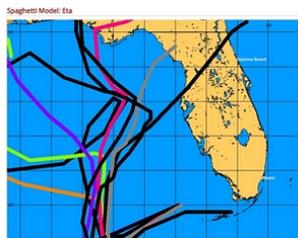
Not much damage here, the lights flashed a couple of times, my banana tree was cut off at the root, and my umbrella tree fell over.(it was in a pot).

So, now after a morning of cleaning up, all is back in ship shape. I could have kayaked this morning, the water is like glass, but I wanted to do the clean-up.

Tomorrow is the first day of the rest of our lives, and I will be out kayaking again, more photos of the birds taken.

John

Actual plot of where ETA is going: →



Science knows exactly where the storm is going, just look at the **Spaghetti plot** from the Weather Service!!!! One of these **Spaghetti models** got it right - **N.E. across Florida** exiting the state by **Jacksonville**.

ETA Surprise

As told by Ann Scott



Ankle-Deep Flood. The Flood Restoration Company had to rip up carpets with fans blowing in each room & lots of stuff drying out on the lanee.

My whole house got flooded the other night when the storm hit. Woke up in the dark to ankle deep water from my pond, which is a tidal pool from Tampa Bay.

Flood insurance \$3,000 deductible! It's a disaster.

Already started 2-1/2 days ago. Bedroom Rug did not dry so has to be removed. Mostly rugs and area rugs. Anything on the floor. Water got into the transformer for my computer so that doesn't work.

Double Whammy for: Ann Scott: I caught Covid-19 at a Funeral in Tenn. Mild symptoms (nausea, headaches & tiredness) and doctor told me only 10 days quarantine so just 7 to go. I should be able to manage that.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS (HANNUKAH AND CHRISTMAS) TO ALL OUR SAFETY BOAT CLUB MEMBERS!



HARBOR

In pre-**Covid** times, SHBC Annual Dues would be due by January 6th and they remain \$25 per family! Dues paid before or at the January 6th will get a SHBC Burgee sticker (while they last)! A \$5 Value! Renew Your Membership!! It is time to renew your membership in SHBC for the 2021 season. Send your check for \$25.00 (made out to Safety Harbor Boat Club) (FAMILY MEMBERSHIP) by using our print-ready Membership Application mailed in with your check. (http://www.safetyharborboatclub.com/ClubInfo/SHBC_Membership_Application%202012.pdf)

Even though the Club Dues have been deemed optional due to the Corona Virus for the 2021 season, because the Club's dock box at the marina was destroyed by storm Eta, you might want to earmark your "voluntary" dues toward the replacement of the Dock Box. You may want to earmark that on your renew Membership check.

Happy Boating! Safety Harbor Boat Club

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