

The Chowder Chatter

**The Official Newsletter of
The Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society
Cape Coral / Fort Myers, Florida
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Next Full Moon: June 3

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June 2023

Commodore's Message



Commodore Bobby Lee

May was another good month for CMCS. We had the Jerry Pim Memorial race on Saturday, April 29, with five boats racing. The weather fortunately cooperated. Mark and David Beauvois acted as Race Committee. They set the course, started and finished the fleet, and scored the race! There was an amazing and rare corrected time tie for first place! Just as everyone finished, the wind picked up for a great ride up the river.

The Bloody Mary Brunch at Carol Pim's home on Sunday was very well attended. It was a good thing that she has a vacant lot across the street for additional parking! Thanks to Carol and the Pim family for hosting this event! Also, thanks to Carol Pim for allowing the Commodore to hang out at her dock for a few days.

Our May meeting night was interesting until two hippies showed up to disrupt things.. Overall, we had a decent turnout for the May meeting at Rusty's. A good time was had by all.

Join us for our next membership meeting at Rusty's Raw Bar and Grill on June 20 at 6:30 PM.

Bobby Lee
2023 CMCS Commodore
s/v Sail La Vie

SUMMERSET 2023

**We WILL be hosting Summerset This fall!
It will tentatively be based out of Salty Sams Marina
Stay tuned for more details next month!
The Committee NEEDS your help!
Contact Bev Duff: argusgdn@comcast.net**

2023 CMCS Officers

Commodore: Bobby Lee	Vice Commodore: Open Position
Vice Commodore – Summerset: Bev Duff	Rear Commodore – Cruising: Open Position
Rear Commodore – Racing: Scott Milligan, Art Schuller	Fleet Yeoman – Bev Duff
Fleet Purser – Julia Robinson	Past Commodore – Gary Blessing
Chowder Chatter Editor—Steve Roake	

Jerry Pim Memorial Estebel Race

What a beautiful day on the water for the Jerry Pim Memorial Estelle Race. The high wind forecast held off until later in the day. So glad to see everyone out and sailing. See below for the race results. As you can see, it was very close. It's the first time I can remember when two boats tied for 1st place. There will be two first place awards and everyone else will move up a spot. Glad to see everyone at the Pims' on Sunday.

Jason Pim

CMCS
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 BM2023 BJPMER
 Bloody Mary Brunch Jerry Pim Memorial Estebel Race
 Class: NON SPIN. PHRF (Time on distance)
 2023 BMBJPMER: Wind Speed 10: Direction SE
 Start Time: Saturday, April 29, 2023 11:00:00: Distance 6.2

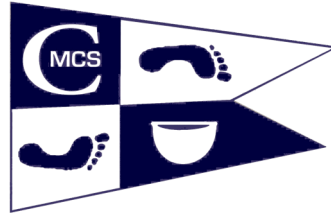
Pos	Order	Sail	Boat	Skipper	PHRF	Type	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected	Score		
1=	3	101	EROICA	TOM,HORNER	153	TARTAN 33	12:03:50	01:03:50	00:48:01	1.5		
1=	2	77	SAIL LA VIE	LEE,BOB	202	CATALINA 27 STD	12:08:53	01:08:53	00:48:01	1.5		
3	1	17	GOPHER BAROQUE	PIM,JASON	168	COMPAC 35	12:08:15	01:08:15	00:50:53	3		
4	5	1350	JAZZY	BLESSING,GARY	155	CATALINA 34	12:09:28	01:09:28	00:53:27	4		
5	4	948	WINDY CITY	FOWLER,DIANE	165	CATALINA 320	12:12:20	01:12:20	00:55:17	5		

The weather gods smiled upon CMCS for a perfect race window close to 11:00 AM Saturday and all five boats finished a little after noon with two beautiful reaches completed, thanks to Mark Beauvois. Gusts and white caps dominated as we headed upriver to our docks with this approaching weather front.

Overnight there was lightning & thunder, plus a powerful rain storm around 7 AM. It went through at 45 knots, so cleared the area instantly! By 10 AM, Bloody Marys, Mimosas, and Margaritas were being consumed, along with pastries, donuts, pinwheel sandwiches, dips, fruit, veggies, meat sticks, and cookies! 40+ CMCSers filled the Pim house and back porch. The breeze was delightful and all had a great time.

Committee boat captain Mark Beauvois handed out the very creatively crafted awards with the first-ever tie for first place between Commodore Bobby Lee skippering "Sail La Vie" and Tom Horner's "Eroica." "Gopher Baroque" captured 2nd place, while "Jazzy" took third, and "Windy City" with 7 aboard grabbed the coveted Caboose trophy! It was a fantastic finish for the first time out for a 2023 club race and social event. May we have more sailing and eating celebrations like this to help grow CMCS in this rebuilding year!

Carol Pim



Looking Ahead to a fall cruise:

'Tween Waters Marina

Parrothead Cruise

September 22 – September 24

Cruise Leaders: Jean and Gary Blessing

It's time to party at the 'Tween Waters Marina for CMCS' annual Buffett extravaganza. Let's "party just like Buffett does, we'll do the old man proud!" Make your way to the marina on Friday, September 22nd for a weekend full of relaxation and fun. There is not much better cruising than having a destination with a beach, pool, bar, and A/C for sleeping. We'll hold the Parrothead Olympics, and of course imbibe some Boat Drinks. And a Gulf Beach is right across the street for your enjoyment and watching the sun set into the sea.

Sound good? I need to know of your interest. At this point, I have reserved 7 slips for sailboats and 2 slips for motor boats. The Island Hopper Songwriters Festival is taking place the same weekend and the dock master would like to know how many boats to expect. Our Commodore, Bobby Lee, has already committed and so has Jazzy. **Please email me if you are interested at:**

jblessingkan@yahoo.com

I know it's a little early to be thinking about September, but I need to notify 'Tween Waters by June 15th about how many slips we will need. The Island Hopper festival can be done by boat and they anticipate captains will be calling to reserve.

Let's hope the Red Tide and Blue-Green Algae gods are good to us this year!

Jean Blessing
S/V Jazzy