

The Chowder Chatter

**The Official Newsletter of
The Caloosahatchee Marching and Chowder Society
Cape Coral / Fort Myers, Florida
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November 2023

Commodore's Message



Commodore Bobby Lee

October has been a great month for CMCS. It has brought us together to accomplish a very difficult task - Summerset Regatta. Some didn't think we could do it, but we did! Hooray!! To top that off, the regatta turned out to be a very good success.

Our October General Membership meeting was very exciting as we reviewed Summerset. It made me extremely proud of my crew of the good ship CMCS! I would list the compliments I have received but it would be quite long.

There was discussion of starting the cruises up again now that the weather has improved. I'm for that!!

CMCS also needs a race committee to revive our club racing. Please volunteer to do this fun job. It's very important to CMCS.

It won't be long before our next change of watch. We need to nominate officers and directors for 2024. Our election will be held at the December General Membership meeting so nominations will be necessary on or before our November General Membership Meeting.

Everyone's input is IMPORTANT!

Bobby Lee
2023 CMCS Commodore
s/v Sail La Vie

**NEXT MEETING:
Tuesday, November 21, 2023
6:30 PM
RUSTY'S RAW BAR & GRILL
4631 SE 10TH PLACE
CAPE CORAL, FL. 33904**

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	

Summerset 2023

There were 25 boats registered to race around the buoys on Saturday, and cruisers raced on Sunday. Commodore Bob Lee helmed the Marker boat and s/v Sea Isle was our Committee Boat for Saturday's races and the s/v Believe took over those duties on Sunday.

Many, many thanks to Salty Sam's Parrott Key Caribbean Grill as our event host venue! The attention to detail, the food and service was just great! Can't thank the management and staff enough for a great weekend. Beverages and wings were provided to the skippers attending the Friday evening Skippers Meeting. Sold out all our extra T-shirts!

Saturday saw the fleet on the water with plenty of sunshine and good wind. And again, that evening we met at the Parrott Key Caribbean Grill for a very filling barbeque meal and music by "Fred Torino". Many had plenty of energy to dance the night away even after a day of sailing.

Sunday – Well, Sunday was a tough day for sailboats with little and then, no wind. Only 2 boats were able to cross the finish line. After all this salt water and fun, we celebrated the participants and congratulated the winners with the CMCS Chowder Awards festivities.

It's Chowder and fixings for our hungry crews. I'm certain there are some pics in this edition of the Chowder Chatter.



Great Deal of thanks to the Summerset Regatta Team who once again stepped up to host a great weekend of Sailing: Seaby Bess (Sponsors & Marketing), RoseAnn Hoffman (Committee Boat), Tom Horner (Co-Chairman of Event), Bobby Lee (Mark Boat Capt.), Rick Lillie (PRO for the Race), Scott Milligan (Race Committee & Registrar), Carol Pim (Trophies), Jason Pim (Technology Steward) and many more who brought this regatta forward when Life smacked me in the face. Our sponsors who have stepped up and shared what they could after a challenging year!

You all are just the best. The race results and pics elsewhere in this. You all are the best!!!

Bev Duff,
Vice Commodore of Summerset
s/v Chase The Clouds

Summerset 2023**2023 SUMMERSET REGATTA RACE RESULTS**

Finish Order	Yacht Name	Yacht Design	Owner/Skipper	Saturday Race			Sunday	Total
				1	2	3	1	
Spinnaker								
1	Obsession	Melges 24	Gary Schwarting	1	1	1	1	4
2	Echo Shmecho	S2 7.9	Jason Pim	3	3	3	2	11
3	T-Bone	S2 7.9	Jason Richards	2	2	2	6/DNF	12
4	Macushla	Beneteau FC 10 modified	Joel Andrews	4	4	4	6/DNF	18
5	Katie	Noelex	William Coleman	5	5	5	6/DNF	21
Multihull								
1	Pathfinder	Corsair 28r	George Entrikin	1	2	1	5/DNF	9
2	Running with Scissors	Corsair F24 MK 1	Trudell Kolpack	2	1	2	5/DNF	10
3	Blanc	Corsair C37	Art Rodriguez	3	3	3	5/DNF	14
4	TRIFLYN2	MULTI HULL	Ron Rusco	5/DNF	5/DNF	4	5/DNF	19
Non-Spinnaker								
1	Scotch Bonnet	Pearson 39-2	Alan Hails	2	1	1	6/DNF	10
2	THE LONE RANGER	Ranger 28	Eric Milbrandt	1	2	2	6/DNF	11
3	Essence	Pearson 35	Paul McDill	3	3	4	6/DNF	16
4	EROICA	T33	Thomas Horner	4	4	3	6/DNF	17
5	Adventure	Cal 27	Greg Rushlau	5	5	5	6/DNF	21
Cruising A								
1	Wind Dancer	Catalina 320	David Green	1	1	1	5/DNF	8
2	No Name	Beneteau 37	Dan Cornacchia	3	2	2	5/DNF	12
3	Phoenix	McMillan	Frank Brown	2	3	3	5/DNF	13
4	Believe	Morgan 381	Bob Andreini	4	4	5/DNF	5/DNF	18
Cruising B								
1	Wicked	custom	Roger Horton	1	1	1	6/DNF	9
2	Karma	Catalina	Joe Martinez	2	2	2	6/DNF	12
3	Jazzy	C34	Gary Blessing	3	3	3	6/DNF	15
4	Pearl	Precision	Seaby Bess	6/DNS	6/DNS	6/DNS	6/DNS	24
5	Gopher Baroque	Com-pac 35	Carol Pim	6/DNS	6/DNS	6/DNS	6/DNF	24

Membership 2023

Ahoy, sailors!

November is upon us! We have come a long way since Ian bulldozed through southwest Florida. Marinas are slowly recovering, restaurants are reopening, homes are being repaired or rebuilt and life is returning to some semblance of normalcy. We are the lucky ones.

By now you will have received notification that your membership dues will be \$40 for a regular membership (with boat) and \$25 for a crew membership (no boat). A regular membership can include members of your family. A crew membership is for an individual.

Our meetings continue to be held on the third Tuesday of the month at Rusty's in Cape Coral. Most gather about 6:30 or so for dinner and camaraderie.

We also need to think about a slate of officers for 2024. December is sneaking up on us. All positions are open.

As a member of CMCS, you can be as active as you choose. For the club to continue, willing members will need to come forward to take on leadership roles. Start asking yourself what your talents are that could be used by the club. How can you serve CMCS?

Just a reminder, we all need to read our emails from CMCS. That's how you will be notified of meetings, events, any changes that come along. We have a website that is a good source of that kind of info, but the tricky part comes when a change occurs. Also, be sure the contact info for you is current. If you change phone numbers or email addresses, you may not receive notifications in a timely manner.

We hope you will invite friends and acquaintances to try out CMCS. We are in the process of rebuilding CMCS. If you have a thought about what path we should follow, please let a board member know.

Hope to see you out on the water soon!

Jean Blessing, Fleet Recruiter

S/V Jazzy

Ladies Bridge Club

Yes! We have been inactive lately, but it's time for The Ladies Bridge Club Holiday Party! Mark your calendars:

When: Tuesday December 5th at 6:00 PM

Where: My home, 1411 SW 53RD LN, Cape Coral 33914

What: Bring a wrapped gift worth no more than \$25 for our Pirate Swap Gift Exchange. We are all nice until we swipe our friends' coveted goods with glee! ARRRR!

What else: BYOB. Bring an hors d'oeuvre/finger food or dessert to share

RSVP to me before the 4th at donandjoan@mindspring.com or call/text me at 239-233-0448.

Why: Because girls just wanna have fun!

Carpool if you can. So looking forward to seeing you.

RoseAnn Hoffman was asking if there is any interest in doing another swamp walk at Clyde Butcher's Big Cypress Gallery. We did that a few years ago and it was amazing but only if you LIKE mucking around up to your hips in the swamp. Just a straw poll - let RoseAnn know what you think. It can be open to all members, not just the ladies.

Joan Perkett

CMCS CHANDLERY

It's time to gather the boating stuff you no longer need and list it in our newsletter chandlery. The cost is free to members. Text and pictures are welcome. Please try to submit items for sale by the 20th of the month so they can appear in the newsletter.

C.M.C.S . CHANDLERY ***Buy, sell, trade***

Members, to advertise your boating-related items free in the CMCS Chandlery, e-mail Steve Roake, Chowder Chatter Editor at steve@theroakes.com or use your roster for telephone information.

Your ad will be listed for 3 months unless you notify me to take your listing out sooner.

Non-members are welcome to advertise their items at a price of \$30.00 for 3 months.

Business cards or business related listings sent in digital format only :

Members: 3 months, \$25.00

Non-members: 3 months, \$50.00

Send a check made out to C.M.C.S. to :

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