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Chowder Chatter



June 2022

June at a Glance

June 21.....Board Meeting, 5:30pm
Membership Meeting, 6:30pm
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NEWSLETTER OF THE CALOOSAHATCHEE MARCHING & CHOWDER SOCIETY

Commodore's Message



Commodore
Bobby Lee
s/v Sharon L

Time has changed its characteristics; it is much faster now that I have been here so long. When I accepted the job of Commodore I wondered if I could hold up to its demands for 12 months. Now I see that it is easy to do as so many members do so much work that time does fly. THANKS to all of you.

Mid May was the Jerry Pim memorial event. As in the past, Carol Pim and Mark Beauvois and many others made it happen. It was GREAT this year. Thanks, also, to David Beauvois for bringing *Jack B* out to set the course, take times, calculate results, and demonstrate his ability to handle *Jack B* in docking in strong currents. Yeha!

Someone noticed that a small sailboat might have cheated in the race. Well it was your commodore. I thought it was a hare and hound race. Since all the hares were faster than this hound it made sense to take a short cut and nip at their heels.

Oh, the meeting night was fun. It was story night. Ask someone about it.

Bobby Lee
Commodore



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THERE IS NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN JULY



The August 16 Membership Meeting includes an Ice Cream Social



Coming in October...Author (& CMCS Member) Bob Macomber

June	July	August	September
Jun 21 June Board Meeting Jun 21 June Membership Meeting	Jul 12 July Board Meeting <div>NO MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN JULY</div>	Aug 09 August Board Meeting Aug 12 Parrot Head Cruise Aug 16 August Membership Meeting & Ice Cream Social	Sep 13 September Board Meeting Sep 20 September Membership Meeting Sep 30 Summerset Regatta
October	November	December	
 Oct 01 Summerset Regatta Oct 11 October Board Meeting Oct 15 Edison Sailing Center RIVER ROMP Oct 18 October Membership Meeting: Guest Speaker, CMCS member and author, Robert Macomber	Nov 08 November Board Meeting Nov 15 November Membership Meeting Nov 23 Thanksgiving Cruise, Pelican Bay	Dec 13 December Board Meeting Dec 20 December Membership Meeting & holiday party Dec 30 New Year's Eve at Burnt Store	

Racing



Rear Commodore
of Racing
Scott Milligan
S/V Pepper



Rear Commodore
of Racing
Art Schuller
S/V Radiant

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE BMCBJPMER

- A name no one can say
- A commodore who “may have” cheated!
- A trawler class

AND ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS...

It was a perfect evening for a race. Eight boats gathered at the starting line with approximately 10-12 knots of wind from the west shifting to northwest. The shifting wind and strong tide slowed us down some but the committee boat continually altered course so everyone could lay the marks. It was a great time to be out on the water. Participating race boats: *Eroica*, *Radiant*, *Jolly Mon*, *Gopher Baroque*, *Sharon L*, *Sea Change*, *Copacetic*, *Ark Angel*, & committee boat *Jack B*.

Congrats, *Eroica*, for earning the overall perpetual trophy once again!



Cruising

Upcoming Cruises:

August 12-14 'Tween Waters Marina Parrothead Cruise

Cruise Leaders: Jean and Gary Blessing

See flier on following page for all details and deadlines for the Parrothead Cruise..



November 23-27 Thanksgiving Cruise, Pelican Bay

Cruise Leaders: Carolyn Wilson & Dan Green

CMCS is returning to Cabbage Key for Thanksgiving. It's a long way off but I wanted to let you know so you can make plans. Cabbage Key does a full Thanksgiving dinner at a reasonable price. Plenty of leftovers to take back to your boat. There is a taxi service if you want to "come by land!" With everyone watching their budgets, this is an economical long weekend...or come out Friday to join us after your family dinner. We anchor in Pelican Bay.

December 30-January 2 New Years Eve at Burnt Store

(for "cruising and exploration" points, this cruise is December 31 only)

Cruise Leaders: Carolyn Wilson & Dan Green

We have 10 slips reserved for the New Year's festivities December 30-31, 2022 at Burnt Store. I have received 2 reservations so 8 are left. If you are interested in attending (I know this is early, but it's New Year's and marinas work a year out), please send an email to me and I'll get you on the list.

All reservations must come through me. Should we have more interest than 10, I may be able to get a few more slips. I need to know asap or someone else will snatch them up.

Carolyn Wilson

Tug Bridget O'Toole

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'Tween Waters Marina

Parrothead Cruise

August 12 - August 14

Cruise Leaders: Jean and Gary Blessing

It's time to party at the 'Tween Waters Marina for CMCS' annual Buffett extravaganza. Let's get ready to "party just like Buffett does, we'll do the old man proud!" Make your way to the marina on Friday, August 13 for a weekend full of relaxation and fun. There is not much better cruising in the summertime than having a destination with a beach, pool, bar, and A/C for sleeping. We'll hold the Parrothead Olympics, and of course imbibe lots of Boat Drinks. And a Gulf Beach is right across the street for your enjoyment.

Friday:



Most cruisers come in by Friday evening and begin to unwind.

To aid in that endeavor, Happy Hour will be on the Dock at 5:00pm, Dinner will be on your own

Saturday:



Parrothead Olympics on the beach in the morning, Happy Hour on the dock at 5:00 pm with a Pot Luck

Dinner to follow and of course, cheeseburgers in paradise.

Sunday:



We will have a quick Continental Breakfast on the Dock, then release our lines and reluctantly head to home ports.

If you desire a slip at the CMCS discounted rate, a reservation is normally required 30-days in advance so get your reservation in to the Cruise Leaders right away.

We have 12 slips reserved on a first-come basis so respond to the email blast when it comes or go into the website and click on the Parrothead Cruise on the calendar. Your Cruise Leader will make your dock reservation with 'Tween Waters. Once completed you will be notified and asked to contact the Dock Master to supply your credit card information.



Deadline is July 15, 2022.

Past Cruises:

Bloody Mary Cruise, Brunch & Jerry Pim Memorial Estabel Race

The weather was perfect for our annual race-cruise to Pink Shell. We began with a Friday evening happy hour where 20 members shared sea stories and camaraderie. Saturday brought pool time and beach walking, then at about 3:00pm, boats began leaving the dock for the race. Except for a nasty current, the race couldn't have been better. The Beauvois' acted as committee boat and also made some fun "hook" trophies to complete the pirate themed weekend. The current was ripping when we got back to the docks so it was nice to have *Bridgett O'Toole* crew and *Miller Time* crew at the ready to help us tie up.

Sunday morning brought out all the women of the fleet to set up tents, tables and food...LOTS of food! Carol Pim had a truck as well as her boat loaded with anything you might desire for the Bloody Mary Brunch. Thirty one souls showed up— racers, cruisers and crew. Awards were given following brunch and a good time was had by all.

Many many thanks to the Pims and Beauvois' for all they did to make this a wonderful weekend. See more photos on following page.

What happened when Blue Beard fell into
The Red Sea?

(he got Marooned)



The Pim family rocked the pirate theme! Aaargh!





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Liberty Ashore



LIBERTY ASHORE EVENTS 2022

AUGUST 16, ICE CREAM SOCIAL

During “social” portion of Membership Meeting 6:30PM

Hosted by Judy Tomlins

OCTOBER 18, PIZZA NIGHT OR HOST’S CHOICE (need a host)

DECEMBER 20, HOLIDAY PARTY “SWEETS NIGHT” Hosted by Sue Reekie

Recipes submitted by Betti Garcia

Tuna and Crackers



Ingredients:

- 1 can of tuna of your preferred choice
- 3 slices of red onion – diced
- ½ of red tomato – diced
- Small amount of cilantro – diced
- 1 fresh basil
- ½ of lemon – squeezed
- ½ of lime – squeezed
- ½ tablespoon of Hellmann or Real Mayo or your mayo of choice
- 2 splashes of tabasco sauce &/or you can dice jalapenos for a spicy flavor
- Salt & Pepper to taste
- Saltine Crackers

Preparation:

In a bowl put the lemon & lime juice, salt & pepper and tabasco sauce then mix fully. Drain the can of tuna put in the bowl along with the rest of the ingredients and mix fully. Place a portion into a small bowl to create the shape and plate it. Ready to eat!

Chickpea Salad



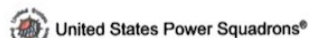
Combine the following ingredients into a bowl of preference

- 1 can of chickpea (drain the liquid)
- 1 can of whole corn (drain the liquid)
- 1 can of black beans (drain & rinse the liquid)
- 2 thick slices of red onion (dice the slices)
- ¼ of a whole bell pepper (diced) or hot peppers
- 1 Tbsp of olive oil
- 2 Tbsp of vinegar apple cider
- 2 limes (squeeze the juice)
- Salt & Pepper to your liking
- Let it sit in refrigerator at least 2 hours before serving

If you don't like the corn you can replace it with the following:

Fresh basil, sage, cilantro, oregano, finely diced carrots & radishes, hot peppers & greek fetta cheese (Put the fetta just before you eat it)

From the membership...



ANCHORING

1stLT Betti Garcia, AP
Assistant Squadron Education Officer

When anchoring, you need a plan. I cannot stress enough just how much planning goes into the seemingly simple act of tying the boat to the bottom of the ocean, lake, stream, puddle, etc..

You would not just walk away from your house without a plan would you? Shut off the coffee, lights, windows, let out /in the cat/dog, lock the garage - you get the point. There is a plan. Not a routine, but a plan. Every day is different.

Factors affecting your anchoring plan are varied and different for each anchorage. Some examples are:

Length of stay Are you stopping just long enough to make a sandwich or will you be leaving your vessel for a season?

Water depth Is there a tide, will the water depth change? Is there enough water under the boat at the lowest possible dept? Do I have enough anchor rope?

Weather Both kinds! What is forecasted and what you are actually experiencing! And what is the worst that may come during your stay?

What the bottom is made of Sand, mud, rocks, coral, weeds, cable crossings, and pipelines present very unique challenges and require different types of anchors.

Swing/Crowd If and when the wind or current changes you do not want to swing into your neighbor and get to know his/her insurance agent. If it is just you and your significant other out for a bit of romance, do not pick the spot next to the boat load of drunken naked college kids on spring break! Stay away from the edge of the channel which can produce wakes or rough water. Commercial boats stink and they really just don't care about you. Don't drop your anchor line over another!

Type of system Do you have an anchor large enough for your craft? Is it the right type for the bottom? Do you have an all rope or all chain or combination? Do you have enough to reach the bottom?

The crew's ability to handle the system If you have had quadruple by-pass and have a broken arm, do not expect your significant other to handle the 400 feet of chain and a 110 pound Bruce alone.

As you can see, with each and every single anchoring, there are varying situations. usps.org

It's kind of like docking, just a bit more involved. Remember, absolutely no one cares how many times you TRY to get it right just so long as you get it right. The rules are simple - **DON'T HIT ANYTHING.** *That being said, here is a basic generic anchoring plan step by step:*

Select your spot on the chart where you want to anchor. Study the chart: depth, bottom type, currents, tides, restricted areas, approaches, channels, commercial harbors etc. Plot your weather or listen to the radio forecast. Notice that this takes place well in advance of your cruise. Most times you can find a cruising guide or coast pilot who has done most of this for you. Ultimately, **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE!!!!!!**



Once you arrive at said anchorage, take in the lay of the land so to speak. Take a cruise through the anchorage. Find the drunken party barge, the commercial stinking fisherman, the channel leading to the ferry dock. Notice if the rest of the people have one or more anchors out. You may be the first or the only one in the anchorage. Prepare for the worst and hope for the best.

Once you have figured out your spot. Take and lay out on deck your grounds tackle. Anchor **WITH THE ROPE ATTACHED TO IT!** Personally I like to flake out on deck the amount of line that I will need. So that it may run free and not get hung up while coming out the hawser pipe or in the locker. **ALWAYS MAKE SURE THAT THE ANCHOR AND ROPE ARE TIED TO THE BOAT!!!!!!** Never let the bitter end of the line be free.

Next step is to motor up into the wind or current to where the anchor needs to be. The basic rule of thumb is a 7 to 1 ratio. Let's just make this easy here. If the water is 10 feet deep you will need 70 feet of anchor line out. This is only a place to start!

There are too many factors that can be plugged in here, such as anchor size, type, weight, bottom construction, chain or rope, wind, current, and wind vs. current. Do not forget to add the height of the bow to the water depth.

Once you have reached the spot **WHERE THE ANCHOR** needs to be, lower the anchor. I cannot stress this enough. **LOWER** the anchor. Never throw the anchor. This is not only a safety thing but a practical thing. Say you throw the 30 pound anchor and your foot is caught in the line. Now you are hurt and if lucky swimming and not on your way to the bottom.

Or you make the classic mistake of going over the bow rail with the anchor rode. Now there will be a trip to the marina for a new bow rail or at least to take out the fancy new custom bends in the rail. If thrown, anchor will more than likely

get fouled while in flight. All anchors are constructed with flat surfaces and will sink more slowly than chain when thrown in as one big mess. So it will foul on the bottom and get pulled from a direction that it was not designed to be pulled from. It won't work.

Once you have the anchor lowered at the place where it needs to be, and it has touched the bottom, let the wind and or current start to back you away from the anchor while paying out the line. Once you have reached the spot where you have calculated the boat should be, add a little tension to the line. Once you "**FEEL**" the anchor grab the bottom, the boat should stop moving backwards. If the boat has stopped, use the engine or backwind the sails to "set" the anchor into the bottom. Be easy here! Too much and you will just have the anchor skipping along the bottom. Too little, and you have done nothing.

Now that the anchor is set and the boat has stopped moving, **STAY ON THE BOW!!!!!!** Find at least two visual references and make sure that the boat stays in place. Weather and sea conditions will let you know just how long to stay at your post.

Congrats. You have just tied the boat to the earth.

Sleep well while at anchor.

EDISON SAILING CENTER

Summer programs typically fill by the beginning of June - this year, we have reached maximum enrollment, with waiting lists. The youth program dollars provided through CMCS allow between 20-30 children the opportunity to experience sailing!


Our available scholarships (25) have been successfully awarded and we are delighted that we have several children of CMCS families or referred by CMCS families! As tends to be the case, almost all of the grant recipients are registered for the first three sessions.

We will also welcome a class of twelve STARs students. These students are attending unfunded. This continues to reflect our mission to provide sailing for all children, regardless of their ability to pay. We have applied for consideration to become a Siebel Sailing program center - this program seeks and supports underserved students and can provide transportation which is often the barrier for them to be active participants! We should know something by June...fingers crossed. We applied in the first round of selections three years ago.

Thank you all - the competitors of Summerset, the advertisers, Board & Members of CMCS!

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