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GUEST SPEAKER: GEORGE DAVIS - “BOTTLENOSE DOLPHINS”

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: ARCHIVES + GEORGE & BETH DAVIS



Plan to attend our **Wed., MARCH. 1st, SHBC meeting at 6:15 pm.**
Our **Guest Speaker** will be **GEORGE DAVIS** who will give a presentation on **“BOTTLENOSE DOLPHINS”**.



MARCH 1st, 2023
18:15 ESDST (6:15PM)



George Davis' Bio:

George grew up on the Pinellas County Gulf Beaches. He retired after 32 years as a fashion industry executive. He then started a second career as a Captain obtaining a 100-ton Master's license with a sail endorsement.

SHBC BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES - MAR, 2023

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX (ARCHIVES)

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays and Anniversaries fall in the Month of MARCH. It seems there are a lot of Pisces water folks born this month.

Birthdays:

3-13 Mark Lewalski---→
3-18 Eileen Berger
3-18 Marilyn Mabe
3-19 Patti Lowery
3-24 Brian Garry
3-26 Paula Taylor



Anniversaries

3-18 Joe and Alice Rezendes
3-27 Don Newton and Victoria Hawkins Newton---→

SHBC ANNUAL



St. Patrick's Day Party



Saturday March 18

17:00 – 20:00 (5PM-8:00), Marina Park Pavilions

The **party** will begin at **5pm** at the pavilions near the marina. This will be a delicious catered affair with corn beef and cabbage, potatoes, carrots, shepherd's pie, biscuits and butter. Dinner will be served at **5:30pm**.

The 1st 25 paid members who sign up for the St. Patrick's Party will pay only \$10 each, \$35 per guest. Ice and water will be supplied; BYOB.

BE AWARE: SH Main St. will be closed from 9:00 am - 8pm for their annual Chalk Art Fest. So, plan an alternate route to get to the Marina.

RSVP to the Boat Club's email: SHBC4fun@gmail.com.

Payments will be taken at the March 1st meeting (or must be received/postmarked by the cutoff date March 8th) Mail to
Safety Harbor Boat Club
Post Office Box 412
Safety Harbor, FL
34695

This is going to be wonderful!



ST PATRICK'S DAY RACE

SATURDAY MARCH 18TH –
SAFETY HARBOR MARINA



The Safety Harbor Boat Club invites all members and guests to the Annual St. Patrick's Day Sail Boat Race and Irish Meal at Marina Park in Safety Harbor on March 18th.
Skippers and Crew Meet at 09:00 (9AM)

Race starts 10:00AM. "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 surprise treat awaits the 1st place winner.



Skippers and Crew Meet at 09:00 (9AM) for a
race start at 10:00 (10AM)



All boaters are needed to enjoy time on the water.
Ron Carew and Joan Marzi on his pontoon boat will set the marks, retrieve them and keep
times.

RSVP at shbc4fun@gmail.com

We NEED a count of Skippers, boats and crew!

Hope to see you there!!



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***Happy Boating!
Safety Harbor Boat Club Officers, John V. your Race Chair***

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Richard Greenhalgh <>
Date: Fri, Feb 10, 2023 at 10:20 AM
Subject: "Gail Force" Comes To Safety Harbor
To: Safety Harbor Boat Club SHBC <shbc4fun@gmail.com>

Hello SHBC Members,

Back in 2018 Tony Marazzo, Ron Poirson and I brought "Gail Force" to Safety Harbor from Melbourne where Tony and I purchased her. The trip took about 6 plus days and included cruising the Florida canal and Lake Okeechobee. I captured video along the way, albeit some shaky footage from the flybridge. But for someone that has never made the trip, it would be very interesting to watch. Our dear friend Patrick Whelan provided us with transportation to Melbourne and was a backup for us as we traversed the East Coast down to Stuart. Feel free to enjoy the link below.

<https://youtu.be/ONDSuj1VBJs>

[Ed. = The link is also on the website in the Club Pictures/ Videos page.
<http://www.safetyharborboatclub.com/ClubPix/ClubPix.asp>]

The ins and outs of replacing your stainless lifelines with synthetic.

From Good Old Boat Magazine, by Mikey



Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene, abbreviated UHMWPE and best known by the trade names Dyneema and Spectra, is amazing stuff. Boasting extremely high strength, low friction, high UV resistance, and ease of splicing, it sounds perfect for many boat applications. Indeed, it is.

I first used Dyneema for shroud tensioners, where compact size and low stretch are vital. Then a low-stretch anchor bridle (it is permanently rigged, so UV resistance was important), then mainsail outhaul tackle and floating jib leads (low friction reduced effort). I have an adjustable bobstay that would be difficult to fabricate with anything else, since it requires immense strength, ultra-low stretch, low friction to run through a low-friction ring cascade tackle, and UV resistance. There are also places I don't like Dyneema. I tried it for a traveler tackle—it was like jibing against a brick wall. The grip was poor, it didn't take knots well, and it was considerably less cut-resistant than steel cable. Although inviting for DIY projects, there are some ins and outs.

First off, does UHMWPE line have what it takes for lifelines?

Find out here... <https://goodoldboat.com/replacing-stainless-lifelines-with-synthetic/>

SHBC FEB 4, 2023 CROSS BAY FERRY CRUISE

ARTICLE: BRIAN GARRY; PIX: BRIAN GARRY & INTERNET



On Saturday, Feb 4, sixteen hearty & salty souls, boarded the **Cross Bay Ferry**, at the **Vinoy Basin Sea Wall**, for a **50-minute cruise across Tampa Bay** to the **Tampa Convention Center Dock** for a fun filled day in **YBOR City** and the **Hillsborough River Walk**.

After safely landing, we viewed the all-electric **Duffy Boats**, which we plan on doing a **4 hr. Cruise, April 1st**. Then, it was a short hop, over to the 40,000-pound all wooden, **electric powered Trolley Car**. Moving briskly along the rails, past the Amalie Arena, the Aquarium, Cruise Liners at Port Ybor, and the Tampa History Museum, we off loaded in **YBOR City at 8th Ave.** near **Centennial Park**. We did a 3-block hike down 7th Ave., to "**Gaspar's Grotto**", for a taste of Tampa's Cuban & Italian Cuisine. Deviled Crabs and Cuban foot longs were among the favored dishes. **Henry**, the resident **Cuban Rooster**, kept us laughing.





Following some local libations, we strolled across 19th street to the Historic "**L'Unione Italiana**" Club, late 1894 circa. We were afforded an in-depth tour of the magnificent Architectural design and skilled craftsmanship by early Italian immigrants. Starting in the lower-level Cantina, then the Theatre/Stage level and finally atop, in the gorgeous Ballroom.

From there, it was a jaunt past the hand rolled Cigar store, past "Carmines" Restaurant, over to 8th Ave. and a visit into **Centennial Park**. We then had a look at the early "**Shot Gun**" homes, that housed thousands of Cuban & Italian Cigar factory workers.

Near 1330, we boarded the Trolley and departed at Fort Brooke station in downtown Tampa. We casually walked over to the **2.5-mile Tampa River Walk**. We shared space with Scooters, bicyclist and joggers. We dodged our way Northward, observing from across the Hillsboro River, the late **1800's Historic Plant Hotel**, (now **University of Tampa campus**). We marveled at the **Moorish Minarets**, brick & wooden parapets, that perched above the Hotel, that was **HQ., for Teddy Roosevelt**, and his "**Roughriders**", as they launched the troops for the **Spanish American War of 1898**. We viewed the **Row House Landing for University of Tampa's collegiate "Skullers"**.

We, split up into smaller groups, like patrols, easing into a **Greek styled Amphitheater**, outside, near the Tampa Art Museum, where we briefly serenaded each other. Crossing Eastward, our PAT, headed up Caas Street, to the restored **1926, Classic "FLORIDAN" Hotel**. It's a 21-story first, in the State, with terrific Artisan wrought iron, crown molding, gold leafed, hand painted motif of yesteryear's craftsmanship. It's truly a structure to behold. Marilyn Monroe, Joe DiMaggio, Babe Ruth, Eddie Arnold, Errol Flynn, Marlena Dietrick, to name a few Stars, who bedded there. Marble, Granite, Slate with, to-die-for Chandeliers from Venice, Italy warm the dining & ballrooms.

From there, we did a quick hike down Franklin street, past the fabulous **Tampa Theatre**, with its elevated Organ, Band pit, and velvet covered seats, which showcased the biggest Stars of early 1900 Stage, Silent Film, and Comedic person to person entertainment.

As we progressed South on Franklin, past the "Speak Easy" NY styled nightclub and 2 "Dior" Mediterranean Greek/Lebanese restaurant...we headed West, down to the thatched roofed "**4 Green Fields**" **IRISH Pub**. 1640, saw the last of our "Mohicans" testing some fine Irish Soda Bread, & pints of Guinness Stout.

As planned, we meandered back along the River walk, to the Convention Center Docks. 1815, saw us boarding the Ferry, along with another 135 or so cruisers, for a run down the Seddon Channel, past the Davis Islands airfield, and Shipping docks at "Hookers Point", for a sunset ride, back to the St. Pete Vinoy Basin. We marveled at the brilliance of the colorful multi-lighting of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge and Beach Drive Marinas and restaurants. Our members were gratified viewing the **new St. Pete Pier structure**, that replaced the old upside-down Pyramid, that previously graced the St. Pete skyline.

Our parking was compliments of the Cross Bay Ferry corp., since we used the "Sundial" Mall garage off of 2nd street. Many surprised SHBC Cruisers applauded our fantastic adventure across Olde Tampa Bay.

Hope you all can join us, for the "**Duffy Boats**" Cruise on April 1.
Cap'n BAG (Brian A. Garry) & the PIG (Phyllis I Garry), till next time.

SHBC MARDI GRAS / VALENTINES / C.O.W. PARTY - Sat., Feb, 18

ARTICLE: ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: LINDA BRANDT & JOAN MARZI

The SHBC Annual **Mardi Gras/Valentine's Day** Potluck Party was held on **Sat., Feb, 18** at the SH Marina Pavilion and was a big success, with a beautiful sunny and windy day. The party got started at 1:00 pm.

Party Hosts: Joan Marzi & Linda Brandt with Kim Brenden-Price assisting and they all did an excellent job of setting up the party and **Linda Brandt's** decorating team did an outstanding job on the three pavilions with fresh flowers in the **Valentine's** theme at Safety Harbor Marina. Those who dressed up in **either Mardi Gras/Valentine's Day** costumes were: **Marilyn Mabe, Phyllis Garry and Ellen Henderson**. And everyone did a great job. As is well known, a party without decorations can be rather bland. There was an abundance of food. 16 people attended. Before and while we dined, we listened to **Mardi Gras & Love themed** music on **the Public Library's** sound system. Attendees participated in the Karaoke to Valentines Love Songs that were edited by **Ellen Henderson** to sailing ditties; ie: Dean Martin's "That's Amore" became "Let's Go Sailing", while Irving Berlin's "Puttin' On the Ritz" morphed into "Hankin' On the Sails", etc.

Member Attendees: Jack & Bonnie Box, Mark & Ann Kanuck, Marion Ruuge-Aronson, Marilyn Mabe, Ron Poirson, Phyllis Garry, Ron Carew, Joan Marzi & Linda Brandt with Kathy Bledsoe, Kim Brenden-Price, Ellen Henderson and Sal & Nancy Farina.

Decorators: Joan Marzi & Linda Brandt with Kim Brenden-Price

Valentines/Mardi Gras Sound System: Marion Ruuge-Aronson;

Valentines/Mardi Gras Music Curator: Ellen Henderson

Valentines Love Songs adaptations: Ellen Henderson

Karaoke Singers: Ellen Henderson, Mark & Ann Kanuck, Joan Marzi, Nancy Farina, Phyllis Garry, Ron Carew

Party Photographers: Linda Brandt , Joan Marzi & Marion Ruuge-Aronson

Party MC: Joan Marzi

50/50 Winner: Marilyn Mabe

Games: Joan Marzi who dreamed up a clever Nautical Memory Game plus she supplied our traditional Jenga challenge.

Party Game winners: Phyllis Garry & Kim Brenden-Price

Food: Grill Master: Ron Carew, who put on his Chef's apron to grill Chicken, Hamburgers & Hotdogs. The supplemental Mardi Gras food was excellent: Jambalaya Seafood Gumbo, Homemade Cauliflower, Pasta salad, Cold Slaw, Roll-ups, chocolate hearts. Linda Brandt supplied the C-O-W cake.



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