



# S.H.B.C.

# Sentinel

**V4N9** 

#### September 2016

The S.H.B.C. Sentinel is a periodic publication (terms of submission, last page) containing the stories and pictures of past events. Material is provided by Club Members and Guests and barely edited. Nothing provided here represents an official position of the Safety Harbor Boat Club.

# **CONDOLENCES:**

Our hearts go out to our SHBC Members for their family members, who have recently passed away:

- Dick Greenhalgh and his spouse Sharon, Betty Taylor and her spouse Von lost their Mother/Mother-in-Law, Fran Greenhalgh.
- Frank and Pattie Fitzhenry lost their daughter-in-law, **Kristie**.

# Obituaries:

From Dick Greenhalgh...

Dear Safety Harbor Boat Club Members,

It is with great sadness that I pass on this information. The daughter-in-law of Frank and Patti Fitzhenry has passed away after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was only 45 years old. Kristie Fitzhenry leaves behind husband Ryan and her two young daughters, Brittany and Katie.

Some of you have been good friends with Frank and Patti over the years and will remember Frank's service and commitment to the Boat Club as it's first Commodore. They moved to San Antonio Texas recently to be near Ryan and his family as Kristie's condition worsened.

The link for Kristie's obituary appears below.

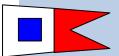
http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/name/kristie-fitzhenry-obituary?pid=1000000181033518

If you would like to send a card to Frank and Patti their address is as follows:

Frank and Pattie Fitzhenry 8518 Vineyard Mist San Antonio, Texas 77255

Phone: 727-560-7660





# Safety Harbor Boat Club

# "Promoting Safe Recreational Boating" P.O. Box 412 Safety Harbor, FI 34695

www.safetyharborboatclub.com

August 21, 2016

Wounded Warrior Project PO Box 758516 Topeka, Kansas 66675-8516

Dear Wounded Warrior Project:

The Safety Harbor Boat Club would like to make a donation to your organization.

This donation is being made in the name of Kristie Fitzhenry of San Antonio, Texas. Kristie lost her life recently after a long and courageous battle with cancer at the age of 45. She was an avid supporter of the Wounded Warrior Project, and it is our understanding that she'd organized marathon running events in San Antonio to raise money for your organization. She served for seven years in the Air Force and more recently was a canine handler for the U.S. Customs Service.

Kristie is survived by her two children, Britany and Katie, and her husband Ryan Fitzhenry of San Antonio. Also, she was the beloved daughter-in-law of Frank and Pattie Fitzhenry, also from San Antonio. Frank was the first Commodore of our Safety Harbor Boat Club, and he and Pattie still have many friends here in the Tampa Bay area. Please acknowledge our donation to Ryan directly. He would be very appreciative as he knows how much Kristie supported the work of the Wounded Warrior Project. Ryan's address is as follows:

Ryan Fitzhenry 25522 Painted Rock Road San Antonio, Texas 78255

Thank you for the work you do for our veterans,

Ronald Poirson Commodore Safety Harbor Boat Club Shbc4fun@gmail.com

Enclosure

## Response from Frank & Pattie...

#### THANK YOU TO ALL!!

I want to thank all those who sent sympathy cards, Mass cards and participated in the Wound Warrior on behalf of our daughter-in-law Kristie.

Four years ago Kristie was diagnosed with Stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer and was given 3/6 months. It was her pure will & determination that we had that additional time to share. As some know we left S.H in a bit of a hurry as the clock became a bigger enemy. It was heart warming to be remembered by so many friends.

Thank you all again

## By Ronald Poirson, Commodore SHBC

With sadness I am sorry to announce the passing of Dick Greenhalgh's and Betty Taylor's mother, Fran Greenhalgh. She died on Thursday at 99 years old.

Visitation, (9:30 am), and a funeral service, (10:30 am), was held at Moss Feaster, 1320 Main St. Dunedin, FL on Thursday, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Any and all were invited to attend this celebration of her life.

If you have any questions, please give Dick Greenhalgh a call: <u>727-421-5136</u>. http://www.mossfeaster.com/obituaries/Frances-Greenhalgh/

### Obituary for Frances W Greenhalgh

Frances W Greenhalgh, 99, of Clearwater, Florida, died Thursday. Fran was born in Providence, RI, grew up in Cranston, RI, and eventually raised her family in Warwick, RI. She moved to Clearwater, FL upon retirement. She was a former telephone operator, very active in Cub & Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, and was a charter member and former Secretary of the National PTA. She was a member of Espirito Santo Catholic Church.

Fran married John T Greenhalgh on October 14, 1941. Their first child, (John Jr), was born while John was away overseas during World War II. They had 3 more children, Dick, Betty, and Cindy. She remained a stay at home mom concentrating on raising her four children. As the children grew older, she worked part time.

Once retired, Fran enjoyed traveling with John until his death in 1985. She then moved to Safety Harbor where she continued to enjoy her children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. Fran enjoyed going to the casino in Tampa, gatherings with her family, and books. She lost her oldest son, Jack Greenhalgh in 2014, but is survived by her 3 remaining children, Dick Greenhalgh, and his spouse Sharon, Betty Taylor and her spouse Von, daughter Cindy Alexopoulos, her daughter-in-law Debbie Greenhalgh, her 8 grandchildren, Lyn Morin, Laurie Kemp, Katie Hamilton, Von G. Taylor III, Andrea Alexopoulos, Bridget DesJarlais, Jeri Bartley, and Michelle Biggerstaff, and 9 grandchildren: Chris, Aubry, Austin, Cameron, Thomas, Celina, Juliette, Aria, and Elise.

# **GUEST SPEAKER FOR SEPT., SHBC MEETING**

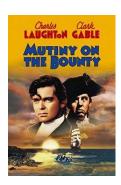
BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Plan to attend our Wed., SEPT. 7 SHBC meeting at 6:30 pm, at the Safety Harbor Library.

Our guest speaker will be Keith Law, who will give a presentation on "Captain Bligh", of the famous Mutiny on the Bounty.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7HbC OE2zAo

## THE "MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY" QUIZ



Since our guest speaker (**Keith Law**) will give a presentation on "**Captain Bligh**", of the famous **Mutiny on the Bounty, we have a "Mutiny on the Bounty" QUIZ.** So here's the Quiz:

- 1) In what year did the Bounty set sail on its last journey?
- 2) From what port in England did the Bounty depart?
- 3) Where was the Bounty headed?
- 4) What was the purpose of the Bounty's sea voyage?
- 5) What was Fletcher Christian's title?
- 6) What type of sailing ship was the Bounty?
- 7) What was the Bounty's
  - a) length and
  - b) mast height?
- 8) How many of the Bounty's crew left with Captain Bligh when they were set adrift?
- 9) For the 1962 film version, where was the Bounty replica built?
- 10) What island was the final destination of the Bounty?
- 11) How many of the Bounty's original crew went to this island?
- 12) What was Captain Bligh's full name?
- 13) What is the original name of the Bounty, before its name was changed?
- 14) What is the source of the Holy Stones used to maintain the original Bounty's wooden decks?
- 15) How many of the Bounty's crew
  - a) mutinied and
  - b) when did they get discovered?

# **JULY SHBC MEETING PRESENTATION: Errata**

The photo of the man in the navy blue Coast Guard Auxiliary uniform that was in the July issue with the article on: Dave Behler and his fellow treckers who recently completed hiking the Appalachian Trail. That man is Mike Negley, not Dave Behler.

# SHBC BIRTHDAYS

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays And Anniversaries fall in the Month of September. It's interesting to see all of the multiple B-days on the same dates.

# **Birthdays**:

9-9	Joan Marzi
9-9	Jack Youra
9-10	Mike Duffy
9-21	John Viverito
9-23	Mikey Hembrey
9-23	Von Taylor
9-23	Curt Brandt
9-28	Sharon Greenhalgh

#### **Anniversaries**:

9-15 Ted & Janet O'Brien 9-21 Connie & Paul Pope





## LABOR DAY RACE AND PICNIC

By Ed Malek, Vice Commodore

Labor Day, Monday, September the 5th, is right around the corner and that means skippers get your sails and crews ready for our annual Labor Day Race for 2016! The **Race** is scheduled to start at 10:00 AM.

To all members and their families, we are going to have a **Pot Luck** picnic starting **at 4:30 PM** at our favorite gathering place, The Safety Harbor Marina Pavilion. We have found that when **everyone brings a dish to share** with all the others that we have a great variety and more than enough food to go around. The club will be providing water and ice and the usual eating utensils, plates, cups, etc. Members are welcome to bring wine or beer or their favorite libation.

We will be having various games to participate in and awarding a prize or two for the winning teams or the winning person.

Please RSVP so we have an idea of how many people plan on attending. Also I like to thank Sherry and Mike Duffy who have graciously volunteered to be our hosts for our picnic this year.

# AN EDITORIAL: POKEMON-GO INVADES SH MARINA

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

During the cleanup after the Sat., July 16 post race Cuban Sub Party at the SH Marina Pavilion, we noticed several groups of young people hunkering down over their smart phones. We started up a conversation with a few groups to find out what was up??? We were told that they were up to Level 29 or Level 12 on their **POKEMON-GO** quest to garner points; there are no prizes.



Upon walking back to my car, I encountered many more groups walking toward the Pavilion and found out that they had lower Levels, as they hadn't yet reached the Pavilion.

It was also suggested that there might be **POKEMON-GO** characters out on the Bay, thus contemplating the idea that this GPS based game might be an alternative to trying to find our missing SHBC mark while racing. However, we learned that not all of our racing boat captains have smart phones.

Fast forward to Sat., 7/26, when **Ron** and **Brenda P.** drove "**Amelia's**" crew back to the SH Marina from the SHBC cruise to St. Pete. The SH Marina was filled with cars at 11:30 pm and **Pokemon-Goers**; it truly looked like zombies being drawn to the SH Marina Pavilion. I'm now wondering if we SHBC Members are going to have to park at the SH Library from now on until the **POKEMON-GO** craze is over.

We learned at the August SHBC meeting that the Arlington Cemetery in DC and Ballast Point in Tampa were previous **POKEMON-GO** destinations, but were petitioned to be eliminated from their quest. Is it a consideration for SHBC to do likewise? Has the **POKEMON-GO** craze helped

or hindered the downtown SH merchants and how far will we SHBCers go to park and walk for big events like our Labor Day Party? We need to hear your experiences/opinions on this subject.

# SPYC Dinner Omission and Apology...

By Mikey

My sincere apology for not including these images from Linda Brandt. She took them at the St. Pete Yacht Club dinner in July and reported in the August newsletter.





# Saturday 20 August Race Report

By Clarence Noles

Five boats started out across the starting line at 10:30 in the morning. Getting off first was Capt. Ron and his crew aboard Wanderlust, followed closely by Incentive, Pegasus, Jewel Ann and Amelia.

We had light southeasterly wind and were doing a short race to the buoy marker at the causeway and back to the starting buoys. The weather pattern had shifted on this day and instead of the storms coming from the east late in the day, they were now coming off the Gulf in the morning. The only predictable thing about Florida weather in the summer is that there will be a storm or rain somewhere, sometime during the day.

Amelia had passed the boats in front of her and was now converging on the marker buoy with Pegasus, which had taken a different approach. Pegasus rounded the buoy first and deployed wing on wing and headed for the finish line followed by Amelia and the rest of the pack.

The storms we had been watching to the north and south of us had been marching from west toward east but now seemed to be changing direction and heading for Safety Harbor. With thunder and lightning in the air, boats began dropping out and heading for the harbor. Pegasus with her commanding lead made it across the finish line (the only boat to do so) and everyone got back to the marina just before the heavens opened up and cooled things off.



We all crowded onto Incentive and had Cuban sandwiches since the Pokémon people were occupying the pavilions in the park. Still a great day on the water.

# SHBC WED., AUG. 24 RACE RECAP -- THE RACE OF BIG WINDS!!!

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Since our SHBC Race Chair, **Barry Fox** was out of town, **Dale C.** was kind enough to prepare the "currents" info. for the Courtney Campbell Causeway as follows for the SHBC WED., AUG. 24 RACE:

#### Currents:

Date	Time	Speed	Tide
2016-08-24	12:07 EDT	0.66 kts.	Ebb Tide
2016-08-24	16:43 EDT		Slack Tide
2016-08-24	19:18 EDT	0.40 kts.	Flood Tide
2016-08-24	21:39 EDT		Slack Tide

**John V's "Pegasus"** had agreed to be the R/C boat for the race and after consulting with **Comm. Ron P.** it was decided to start the race to windward (from S. to N.), then head South (after a button hook turn around the pin) toward the White Mark, then return to the Start/Finish line, with a starboard mark rounding at the White Mark.

The winds had been building for more than an hour and we now had white caps (12-16 kts., with higher gusts) before the start of the race. Just as we aboard "Pegasus" were attempting to raise our main, we ran out of gas for our outboard, so **John V.** contacted competitor, "Incentive" to plan to have them tow us into the marina after the race. We were finally able, after much difficulty, to get the main reefed (without our engine, we were not able to point into the wind, while hoisting the sail). We then fully opened our 135% jib and were quite overpowered plus our boom vang broke.

At that point, "**Pegasus**" decided to drop out of the race and anchor near the start/finish line. However, we again tried to head up into the wind; partially furl our jib and this time we succeeded and **John** had a spare part for the boom vang and was able to repair it. YEAH! So "**Pegasus**"

announced via the VHF Radio, that we would now race. Unfortunately, the "Incentive" crew hadn't heard us, so during the start, there was a bit of confusion along the line.

Prior to the 6:27 pm race start, the wind shifted from NE-->E-->SE and back again. It was a bit of a range for an anticipated windward start

"Wanderlust", with co-owner Roof D. at the helm and Commodore, Ron P. as crew this night, was first over the line and they quickly pulled ahead of the fleet with full main and jib. Jim King helmed "Pegasus", with John V. and Ellen H. for crew and we were second to cross the start line, followed by "Incentive", which also sported full sails, with Aussie Chris D. on the helm. "Incentive's" crew were owner, Dale C., Joy, and Bessie who has Hobie Cat sailing experience.

During the first leg the wind was mostly beam and aft; however, we on "Pegasus" chose to keep our center-board in the fully extended position for extra ballast, while "Incentive" later reported that they were doing a lot of wallowing in the surf. Since "Wanderlust" was still quite some ways ahead, we observed them rounding up several times, while on a beam reach, when the gusts overtook them. This gave us on "Pegasus" a hint of the upcoming higher winds and we were glad that we had reefed and partially furled. However, "Incentive" was now closing in fast from astern of "Pegasus". Heavy "Incentive" loves the Big Wind.

Both "Wanderlust" and "Incentive" were sailing towards windward of the rhumb-line toward the White mark, while "Pegasus" was dead on for the starboard rounding. "Wanderlust" had to come down to the mark and we thought we would finally pass them, but they broke the overlap and got ahead of us, so they did not have to give us "room at the mark", at which point they were 1 minute, 11 seconds ahead of "Pegasus" and 2 minute, 5 seconds ahead of "Incentive". At least it was a tight fleet.

The last leg to weather was uneventful, except that "Incentive" continued to inch along, gaining footing on the fleet.

#### The **corrected time results** were:

Position - Boat	Start	Finish	Elapsed	Corrected
	Time	Time	Time	Time
1st - "Incentive"	6:27:00	7:05:41	00:38:41	00:29:38
2nd - "Pegasus"	6:27:00	7:05:38	00:38:38	00:36:05
3rd - "Wanderlust"	6:27:00	7:04:35	00:37:35	00:37:35

**Dale** hosted the post-race party for the fleet's crews aboard **"Incentive"**,including their crew member, **Joye**, who is planning to join SHBC.

# HELP PRESERVE SAFETY HARBOR HISTORY FOR THE SH 2017 CENTENNIAL

By Ellen Henderson

We recently spoke with SH Reference Librarian, Jarrett Trezzo and he said he has not received any photos from the SH Marina. So at the Sept. 7 SHBC Meeting I will bring the two scrap books

and two photo books from the Club's History along with a yellow sticky pad. Look through the books; pick out the photo of your boat in the marina and attach a yellow sticky note with your name/boat name on it. I'll then submit these photos to Jarrett, so that SHBC will be represented in the SH Centennial Publication in 2017. See details below...

The Safety Harbor Public Library is seeking historical photos of the city for digital preservation. Of particular interest are photos with historical significance, specifically the downtown area, including buildings, businesses, the **Marina** and individuals noteworthy to SH history.

Photos will be scanned and digitized and selected photos will be added to the digital history collection, accessible online at <u>safetyharbor.contentdm.oclc.org</u> and may be used in materials created to celebrate SH's 2017 centennial.

Photos can be dropped off at the library or mailed to: Safety Harbor Public Library Attn: Local History 101 Second St. N. SH. 34695

For more information, please contact Jarrett Trezzo at <u>itrezzo@cityofsafetyharbor.com</u> or call727-724-1525, ext. 4112.

# New Member Feedback

By Meadows Skip

NIRVANA! That is new member Bruce Gotts' description of sailing. "Full moon, 10kt wind, and perfect balance. He thinks racing is a lovely oxymoron! He'll fit right in with the rest of us!

Bruce is a widower with 2 adult children, and spent time in Ohio and Michigan before moving to Palm Harbor. Good friend and church associate Mark Kanuck was instrumental in bringing Bruce into the club.

Bruce formerly owned a Lightening, MacGregor 26X and Venture, Columbia 36—but is boatless at the moment and looking forward to hitching rides. He really enjoys the like-minded people he has met.

He also likes to play golf and read. When you meet Bruce, get to know him by asking him about the Tampa Bay Thinkers! Sounds interesting.

## **Terms of Submission:**

Material may be slightly corrected for grammatical or spelling errors, but generally left as-is unless you request otherwise. Ideally, a Microsoft WORD document would be easiest to process, but we can work with text, HTML, most word processors, or Google e-mails. *Text and image messaging to my cell phone, not so much*. If you wish to submit your story or report in another word processor or document format, contact the S.H.B.C. Webmaster for discussing.

Submissions must be complete with text and images. If received after the 26th of the month, they will be held over and not included in the latest issue.

Images / photographs: If using a cell phone to take the picture, please hold the phone in the <u>horizontal</u> (landscape) position. Otherwise, they are rotated 90 degrees at my end. Unless of course it was your intent to put them in sideways, then please let me know.

Mike Hembrey
Webmaster & Newsletter Editor
S.H.B.C. Copyright 2013-2016.