

# S.H.B.C.

## Sentinel

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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.

### GUEST SPEAKER FOR FEB. 1st SHBC MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

**Plan to attend our Wed., FEB. 1st, SHBC** meeting at 6:30 pm, at the Safety Harbor Library. Our guest speaker will be **Keith Law** who will give a presentation on **"The Real Pirates of the Caribbean (Not Your Disney Pirates)"**. **Keith** will be returning to SHBC, as he was our most interesting speaker a few months ago, on the subject of "Captain Bligh" of the infamous "Mutiny on The Bounty". So, **Keith's "The Real Pirates of the Caribbean"** should be informative as well as entertaining.

Plan to wear your **Pirate** outfit and gear to get into the spirit of this meeting. There will also be a contest for the best "AARRGH"!

# RECAP OF GUEST SPEAKER FROM THE JAN. 4 SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Our **JAN. 4TH**, SHBC meeting guest speaker was **Annie Davidson**, who gave a presentation on her "**Sailboat Delivery From Mobile Bay to Madeira Beach**". **Annie** was crew along with other Boca Ciega YC crew members aboard a 37' Endeavor Citation "**Talakeno**", where they sailed along the Emerald Coast. She shared how she learned new techniques on flaking the anchor rode. At **Destin**, they developed engine problems with a leaking "O" ring. And as she said, "Things were about to go South"! They had docking problems and the first mate kept yelling at the crew (very excitable guy). He got off the boat at **Destin** and went alone via land travel to **St. Pete**. (no more yelling). After repairs, they went on to **St. Andrews Bay** for an easy docking and they all had showers after 3 days.

Some of the crew (will not divulge his name here, as I know this guy) had problems with his sleep/watch schedule, which greatly affected his ability later on the delivery.

It seemed to take an unusually long time to top off the water supply. "Red sky in morning, sailor take warning." They discovered they had a water tank leak and ended up with a soggy mattress. The handle on the coffee pot melted (note: bring a spare coffee pot when provisioning).

When they were 80 miles offshore, they had to drink ginger ale to ward off seasickness. They reefed the main in the 6-8' seas. They were alone at sea with no other boats in sight. The "sleepless" crew member lost his red head-lamp overboard during a gybe. At 25 kts, they rolled up the jib. A very tired swallow hitched a ride with the crew, then it went below and unfortunately broke his neck as the boat lurched. A burial at sea was conducted for the bird. Lesson learned: have a personal EPIRB for each crew member to wear in a storm.

They finally make it to **Madeira Beach** safe and tired.

**Annie** has been doing boat deliveries in many areas including the Caribbean, so she had lots of experiences to share.

## SHBC BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays fall in the Month of FEBRUARY.

### Birthdays:

2-9	Millie N.
2-20	Barry F.
2-22	Cindy A.
2-24	Jill L.
2-26	John E.



## Anniversaries:

**Editor's Note:** Because birthdays, and other dates, are used in Identity and Credit Card fraud situations, the member's last names have been reduced to a single initial. I am considering simply not publishing this information at all. Anyone thinking this is being melodramatic probably does not have credit cards or an identity worth stealing.

I also ask that nobody gives out another's birthday or other personally identifiable information. If the member wants the information to be made public, that should be **THEIR** option to do so.

**Editor's Note:** The following two (2) articles are supposed to be the same thing. However, the version Barry received is different enough from that sent to Ellen that I thought I should run both. 😊

## Where's Jack?

Forwarded by Barry Fox



SHBC member Jack Youra is currently living the dream sailing the Bahamas on his 41' catamaran. We received this update on January 12th:



"Hope all is well. Starting to sail south from the Abacos into to the Exumas. Today went from Little Harbor to Royal Island next to Spanish Wells, Harbor Island, Eeuthera etc. Today was 30 knot winds (1st reef in main) and 10 ft. Seas. Boat handled it well, not so for the captain, too much rum the night before. Matter of fact that night I thought I had a wet dream, until I notice I had the hatch open and it was raining.

Anyway say hi to everyone!"



## **JACK YOURA'S SAILING ADVENTURES**

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

We recently heard from SHBC Member, **Jack Youra**, who said he had left Annapolis on his **41' Lagoon Catamaran**. He and his crew were heading down the **ICW** to **West Palm Beach**, then

they made the crossing to the **Bahamas**, first at **Freeport**, on to the **Exumas** and lastly to **Granada**. Recent message from **Jack**:

Hello Sailors,



Hope all is well with yourself and club. Sitting in 30 to 40 knot winds waiting to leave **Hope Town to Little Harbor**. **Hope Town** is a cute little island with a kerosene burning light house. Great place to buy property as income and vacation get-away.

I just flew back from Buffalo to **Marsh Harbor** a day before the shooting at Ft. Lauderdale. Visited my kids for Xmas and New Year's, we never know what tomorrow will bring will we?

Anyhow, tell everyone hi and wish them a happy and better New Year.

**Capt. Jack**

## **FUN NAUTICAL/WEATHER FACTS**

REPRINTED FROM THE "WAITING GAME" FLYER

The average lightning bolt is only an inch in diameter.

Lobsters can crawl as far as a mile a day in search of food.

More than 50% of all lakes in the world are in Canada.

In Sarasota, FL it's illegal to wear a swimsuit while singing in a public place (you know who you are).

(Ed. – Lightning detail...) That 1" of ionized air can pass 250,000 amps being pushed by 1 million volts. That explains why your boat looks like swiss cheese if it is hit.

## **Change of Watch Party a Huge Success!**

By Renee Viverito

The Safety Harbor Boat Club's Annual Change of Watch Party was held on Sunday afternoon January 15, 2017 at Bahama Breeze. Cold beer, crisp salads and tasty entrees combined with awards and fun games made for a good time as more than fifty club members and their guests gathered. New and old friends shared stories, congratulations, plans for 2017 and good wishes.

The 2016 officers: Commodore Ron Poirson, Vice-Commodore Ed Malek, Scribe Joan Marzi, Treasurer Mark Kanuck, Cruise Chairperson Mark Kanuck, Race Chairperson Barry Fox, Speaker Recruiter Ellen Henderson and many more volunteers were thanked for their extraordinary service. 2016 was a good year for the Safety Harbor Boat Club!

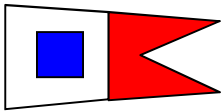
The 2017 officers: Commodore Joan Marzi, Vice-Commodore Ed Malek, Scribe Sherry Duffy, Treasurer Mark Kanuck, Cruise Race Chair Mark Kanuck, Co-Race Chairs Chris Dollin and John Viverito and Speaker Recruiter Ellen Henderson were introduced and welcomed with their appropriate burgees.

Awards were given to the top three winners of the sailboat races. Saturday Race winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> Place- John Viverito, Captain of Pegasus; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Dale Cuddeback, Captain of Incentive, and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Chris Garill, Captain of John Marie.

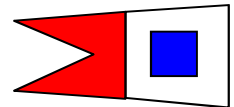
Wednesday Race Winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> Place- John Viverito, Captain of Pegasus; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place- Dale Cuddeback, Captain of Incentive , and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Jack Meyers, Captain of Sea Jewell.

Following lunch and the award ceremonies the new Commodore led the club members in a spirited game of boating trivia combined with a landlubber's race. Many thanks to the organizers of the game and to those who helped plan the party. It was great fun! Everyone should try to attend next year!





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## **It takes a BOATLOAD to run the Safety Harbor Boat Club (2017):**

### **Additions are Welcome!**

Brandt, Linda: Club Photographer & donation of Bean Bag game for pavilion parties

Corbino, Gerry: Donation of the Back Bay Triangle trophy & engraving yearly & donation of equipment to replace the Orange Buoy

Cuddeback, Dale: Host of after race parties & instrumental in producing Holiday Parade

Dollin, Chris: Race Co Chair & instrumental in restoring notice board

Duffy, Sherry: (with assistance from Mike) Club Community Outreach, Events

Fox, Barry: Facebook, Event Permits, SHBC Apparel, Band Leader: Safety Harbor Blues Band, Videos

Hembrey, Mikey: Web Master & SHBC Newsletter

Henderson, Ellen: Booking Speakers & Decorating Committee

Kanuck, Mark: Treasurer & Cruise Chair

Kelly, Jamie & Joe: Decorating, Game Consultants

Meadows, Skip: Reporter for SHBC Newsletter

Malek, Ed: Vice Commodore

Marzi, Joan: Commodore

Poirson, Ron: Commodore Emeritus

Viverito, John: Race Co Chair, Liaison to Safety Harbor Public Library

Whelen, Patrick: Liaison to City of Safety Harbor

## 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.

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