



S.H.B.C. Sentinel

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SHBC Labor Day Race and Picnic

by Vice Commodore ... Ed Malek

Another Labor Day is coming up on Monday September 4th and that means a morning race at 10

AM and a 4 PM follow up Pot Luck Picnic at the Marina Pavilion.

Water will be supplied by the Club as well as condiments, napkins, and ideal winds for a spectacular race. As in the past there will be games and prizes. Also, there will be a nice gift certificate awarded for the favorite pot luck contribution voted for by the members. So, make up your best dish and go for it.

Volunteers to help decorate the pavilion please let Ellen Henderson you are available.

See you all there.

Sheriff's Youth Ranch Sailing Offer

By Dick Greenhalgh

Hi,

At the meeting on Wednesday night I re-introduced a program for our Club to share sailboat rides with several residents of the Sheriff's Youth Ranch. Several years ago we did this through the efforts of a former commodore, Frank Fitzhenry.

The teens and counselors that participated had a great time and their thank you note (a little hard to read here) and picture that was taken after the event in 2007 is attached to this e-mail.

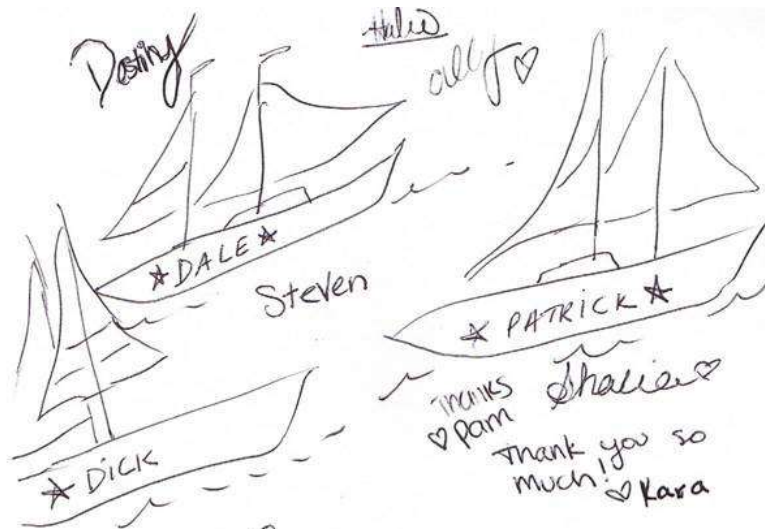


I now have a direct contact with the program director at the Ranch, Chuck Deitch. Chuck has expressed an interest in resurrecting this event with our Club. Before I pursue this with him I would like to get a firm commitment from boat owners so that we will know how many young people we can invite from the Ranch.

I will then meet with Mr Deitch to discuss the details. This is a great chance for the Club to have an impact in the community and to positively affect the lives of these kids that probably have never enjoyed an opportunity to spend a few hours sailing on the waters of Tampa Bay.

Sincerely,

Dick Greenhalgh



Ms. Ann

Ms. So Ann

Dear Safety Harbor Boat Club,

Thank you so much for giving the girls and Steven the wonderful opportunity to learn about sailing. Ms. Ann and I both enjoyed the day of relaxation. Captain Dick, Patrick and Dale a special thanks to you all for your patience and enthusiasm for sailing. It was an experience!

Sincerely, S.H. Youth Ranch.

Marina & Waterfront Park Update

By John Estok

The attached pics are the two concepts currently being considered by the City. However, do not think that this is what the park will look exactly like. There are many plans with all kinds of ideas- day docks south of the pier, a bandshell on the north end of the park-just south of the boardwalk trailhead and newly planted mangroves. I focused on these two plans because they illustrate the different proposals regarding the boat and car parking on Veterans Memorial Lane. Please check out www.cityofsafetyharbor.com/558/Waterfront-Park for more plans and information.

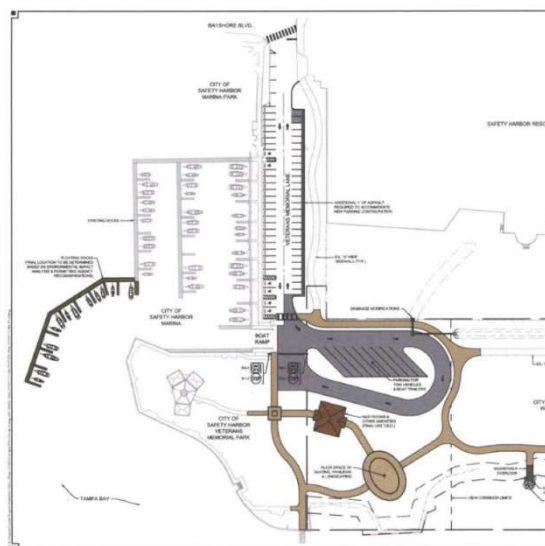
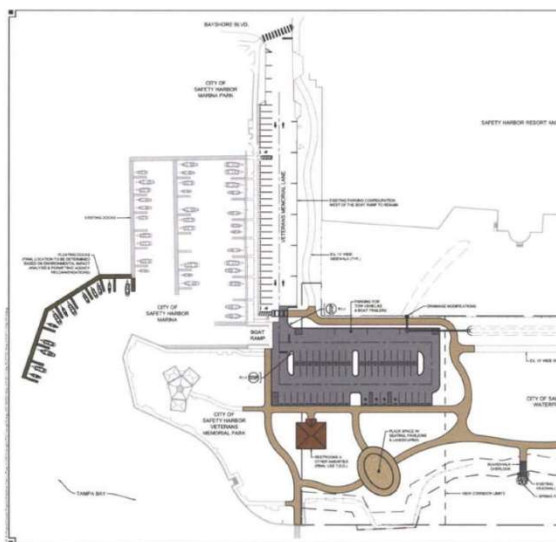
People that use the marina are best able to know which concepts will work best. Remember the "form vs function" test: I don't want a bunch of stuff that will look nice (form) but in fact won't work (function) for boaters or anyone else.

The City has a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board that on behalf of citizens formally advises the City on matters relating to the Leisure Services Dept.-that includes the marina. The board meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Safety Harbor Community Center. SHCC is at 650 9th Avenue South-on the north side of 7th Street South across from the ballfields. If you cannot attend below is a list of current board members-many of you have lived in this City for many years and probably know these individuals. If you haven't already done so I'd think it would be a good idea to let them know how you feel or to know what they have in mind.

Jeff Ellenberg; Thomas Gardner; Kathy Podurgiel; Kristen Turzak; Tammy Vrana; Phyllis Lubin

When this project is (finally) complete, it will probably be another generation before there's another opportunity to remedy our issues. That's why it is so important that boaters have their needs and concerns addressed now. In particular, - designing the waterfront park so that it can accommodate the many events that take place without having to close off the marina, restrooms, pier, etc. to the rest of the community. The special events should always have to yield to the above listed-but that's not the way it currently works. To those of you hoping the city will place a cap on the number, or even ban all of these events in the first place-sorry, but there's about a snowball's chance in hell of that happening. Many of these events are fundraisers for nonprofits in our city-Mattie Williams Center, Kiwanis, etc.

Most importantly though is that the most powerful lobby in our town,-the Safety Harbor Chamber of Commerce,-wants them as they believe it brings people to our city, particularly patrons to the businesses around Main Street. Therefore, the events are not going to be capped or be going anywhere. That's why we've got to get the design of that parking area resolved so it will remedy our problems. If we can get that proposed parking north of the boat launch/north side of Veterans Memorial Lane (VML) designed in such a way so that it can accommodate the ticketing that currently takes place in the middle of VML during these events I hope that will negate the need to close off VML and the marina, restrooms, pier-you all know the list from your previous experiences. I'm particularly thinking of Dick Greenhalgh at the Beer & Bands on the Bay this past May as I type this. I don't want anyone to have those experiences anymore. The marina and boating in general should be a time to relax and enjoy, - not a source of frustration or bitching about city politics; in fact, I use it to get my mind away from such things without having to travel a long distance.



GUEST SPEAKER FOR Sep. 6th SHBC MEMBERSHIP MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON

Plan to attend our **Wed., Sep. 6th SHBC** meeting at 6:30 pm, at the Safety Harbor Library. Our guest speaker will be **Mike Zornes**, a licensed Captain, who will give a presentation on the recent Mexico Race from St. Pete to Isla Mujeres [ed. - near Cancun].



Mike has 30+ years of experience in boat deliveries, boat sales, performing a thorough inspection of any yacht prior to purchase, docking and boat handling instruction, plus sailing instruction and trip preparation, and American Sailing Assoc. 101 & 103 Bareboat Certification instruction, and finally learning to properly provision your boat, chart your trip and perform preventative maintenance.

RECAP OF GUEST SPEAKER FROM AUGUST 2ND SHBC MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX BY LINDA BRANDT

Our August guest speaker was **Captain Carl Newman**, who, over the last 17 years, has flown more than 230 eyewall penetrations in **Hurricane Hunter Planes** for the **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)**. **Carl** has also had over 5,500 flight hours.



He started out as a sailor with the Storm Trysail Club, sailing small boats out of Coconut Grove and he eventually owned a 39' Allied Sailboat. **Captain Newman** graduated from the **US Naval Academy** in 1989 and did his **postgraduate studies** at **Embry Riddle Aeronautical Univ.** and **George Washington Univ.**

Carl's aviation experience in the **P-3 Orion** has taken him from the shores of the US, to the Persian Gulf, Asia, Antarctica, Alaska and Europe, etc. He is currently the **Executive Officer** of the **NOAA Hurricane Hunters**.

NOAA was founded in 1871 and was comprised initially of seafarers, who oversaw fisheries, charted the waterways and explored the oceans. They work closely with the National Weather Service. Their inventory includes: aircraft, ships and diving equipment. Until recently they were locally out of MacDill AFB, utilizing G-4's, P-3's, Citations and a Twin Otters.

While flying through a Hurricane, they can't see anything outside the plane, when there're cruising at 190-220 Kts. Because of a much downgraded previous Hurricane in New Orleans, many locals didn't take **"Katrina"** seriously and refused to evacuate. For **"Katrina"** in 2005, the tracks were very accurate, from the 12-hour missions flown in 105 mile "Butterfly" Legs. The Recipe for a Hurricane is a warm ocean, wind shear and the Coriolis Force.

All of the Hurricane Hunter jets are named after "Muppets", hence "Miss Piggy", etc. To help **NOAA** determine what the Hurricane winds are doing, they utilize "Drop sondes" from 40,000 ft., over the waterways. They give out readings, but are not retrieved, even though they cost our taxpayers \$700 each.

During **Hurricane "Sandy"** on Oct. 25, 2012, they found that the European "Spaghetti" Models were more accurate and showed the Hurricane going up the East Coast, rather than out to sea. There can be big differences in forecasting Hurricane intensity. There are only 3 Tail Doppler Radar units, which are now located out of the **Lakeland Linder Airport**. Every Hurricane "Eye" is different. **Hurricane "Hugo"** had winds up to 190 Kts.



We will be touring the **National Weather Service** facility in **Ruskin**. See details in a future article.

Brian Garry Recuperating from Heart Operation

You may or may not know that **Brian Garry** underwent major heart surgery on Monday, Aug. 21.

Eight-hour surgery at University Hospital (near USF) a success. In ICU and hopefully to be back home soon. Family only and that's limited. Phyllis 's daughter is there. She's a cardiac nurse, so that was great. She's asks that people text as opposed to call.

If you would like to send a card to the Garry's home, their address is below. Please no visitors or phone calls. Texts ok.

Brian Garry, 8703 Cobblestone Dr., Tampa, FL 33615

Please keep Brian and Phyllis in your hearts and prayers.

SHBC BIRTHDAYS

SUBMITTED BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX BY John Viverito + Archive

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

Birthdays:

9-9 Joan Marzi*

9-9 Jack Youra

9-10 Mike Duffy

9-17 Fritzi Strom

9-21 John Viverito

9-23 Mikey Hembrey

9-23 Curt Brandt

9-28 Sharon Kline (Greenhalgh)

*Correction from July Newsletter



Anniversaries:

9-15 Ted & Janet O'Brien

9-21 Connie & Paul Pope

ECLIPSE – 99 Years in the Making

By Dale Cuddeback

August 21, 2017 was the date of an event hailed as one of the biggest United States astronomical events to occur in many years. During the event, the earth's moon would eclipse or block sunlight that produced a 70 mile wide shadow path (identified as the totality) in the US starting from the state of Oregon then following a diagonal path across the US to South Carolina. Outside the totality path, percentage of sun blockage decreased as the distance from the path increased. In the Safety Harbor area, the percentage of sun blockage was approximately 82 percent. Newspapers glamorized the event as a rare phenomenon and the totality path became a major tourist thing to see. American needed a break from the bad-news-only world political scene and this provided a much needed timely pause.

The sailing vessel Incentive's Captain and crew decided it was an exciting thing to do since there was nothing else scheduled. Captain Dale ordered 30 “eclipse viewing” paper glasses from Amazon, hoping they would arrive in time. They came from China with the accompanying breath holding that they would arrive in time. They did!! I endeavored to invite club members to join Incentive and planned to anchor out just beyond the pier. Meanwhile I shared viewing glasses with friends so that by show time I only had seven viewing glasses to pass out . For whatever reasons only four persons showed for ship’s movement and so we motored out into the bay with plenty of room, food and drink. Linda, who hasn't gained a pound since she was 16, was on vacation with husband Curt and will regret not being there to make sure the food didn't go unappreciated.



Pics of eclipse viewers clockwise from left to right are guest Judith Overcash, and members Emily Wagner and Ellen Henderson. Captain Dale Cuddeback was camera shy.

In spite of an over-abundance of food, we managed to survive and view the partial eclipse. It was a sight to remember and one of those “where were you when ...” moments. Alas, the maximum blockage seemed to only last a few minutes and then one could see the blockage begin to diminish.



There had been a rumor floating around that Vice commodore Ed had called NOAA and requested that they hold off the eclipse until he finished moving. Not surprisingly, Ed could not come up with a definitive finished-moving date so they ignored his request. By the way, Ed has been moving since mid-spring. He just can't part with his garage junk. Joan says he refuses to surrender his baby security blanket. Me neither.

After the leftovers was cleared away (that took less than 5 seconds) Incentive's captain bellowed "time to sail." The sassy crew eventually managed to raise sails for a delightful two hour sail in the accompaniment of large numbers of dolphins who had apparently enjoyed the eclipse and were in a festive mood. Great time!!

Great to be sailing,
Dale Cuddeback,
Capt S/V Incentive

SHBC sailors hit the alleys for some R & R:

By John Viverito, Thanks to Sherry Duffy for organizing!



Two teams, team Renee and team Chris G.

All had a great time!



Team Renee won game one.

Team Chris G. won game 2.

An after game get together was had at Bar Fly in Safety Harbor because Hamburger Mary's was closed.

Algae Bloom Confirmed in Old Tampa Bay

Provided by Lisa Lanza

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Algae Bloom Confirmed in Old Tampa Bay

- Bloom of the organism *Pyrodinium bahamense* confirmed in Old Tampa Bay
- Fish kill reported in the same area; residents may experience strong odor in North County
- To report fish kills, call FWC Hotline at [\(800\) 636-0511](tel:8006360511)
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Pinellas County Environmental Management has confirmed a bloom of algae in Old Tampa Bay stretching from Safety Harbor to the south end of the Bayside Bridge this week following reports of discolored water and strong odor.

The bloom of the organism *Pyrodinium bahamense* became visible last week and was confirmed with testing. Fish kills have also been reported in the area. Residents may experience an odor due to the algae bloom and fish kill.

Pyrodinium bahamense blooms typically occur in the summer months in Old Tampa Bay. It is not the organism known as Florida red tide, although blooms can have a reddish-brown tint.

Algae blooms can kill fish by decreasing levels of dissolved oxygen in the water. During nighttime and cloudy weather, low sunlight causes algae to switch from producing oxygen to consuming the oxygen needed by fish. During severe events, fish can suffocate from low oxygen levels.

The growth of algae like this species is fueled by nutrients, including those in fertilizers, sediment, yard waste and animal waste. These nutrients are carried into Tampa Bay and other local water bodies through stormwater runoff. Warm water temperatures and sunny weather after heavy rainfall also contribute to the blooms.

Pinellas County residents can help by remembering the slogan “Only rain down the drain” and properly disposing of grass clippings and other yard waste, pet waste and chemicals. Residents should also continue to follow the summer fertilizer ban, which prohibits the application of nitrogen or phosphorous to lawn and landscape plants from June through September.

If residents observe fish kills, they should call the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission’s Fish Kill Hotline at [\(800\) 636-0511](tel:8006360511) or visit MyFWC.com/FishKill to report them.

For more information on algae blooms and other issues concerning water quality, visit www.pinellascounty.org/environment/watershed.

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Water Adventure on the Buffalo River in Arkansas

By Karen Sparks

Subject: Bday Trip Email 1. Pics & Map

I have included the first couple of several pics in this email along with a map of the river and a link to Wiki article on the Buffalo National River.

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buffalo_National_River

[Buffalo National River - Wikipedia](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Buffalo_National_River)
en.wikipedia.org

The Buffalo River, located in northern Arkansas, was the first National River to be designated in the United States. The Buffalo River is 153 miles (246 km) long.



The first attached pic is at Buffalo Point where we ended up at the end of our 7 hour trip. We had some very shallow water here and there, but did not have to do portage at any point. In the 2nd pic, I am actually paddling! Something I did not do the entire time. David is not in any of the photos except the ones at the waterfall where we stayed the 2nd night. Since he took a nude "shower" in the waterfall, those pics are not included. ;)

There were some deeper spots and even some rushing water in spots that were not really rapids except in maybe a the baby sense.

Beautiful river. We saw several deer crossings, several herons, numerous turtles (and fish). Also, we saw what we reckoned was a water moccasin. It came RIGHT UP TO the canoe and raised its head while lunging toward the front of the canoe near my paddling hand. Yikes!

The rock wall which graced us on one or both sides of the river for much of the trip was beautiful and fascinating.

We had some scrape ups dodging trees, but no injuries, and no lost hats. Good thing we had those hats and lots of sunscreen.

Subject: Bday Trip Email 2. – Pics



Subject: Bday Trip Email 4. - Pics and Rivers & Lakes Map

Actually, the last photo from the previous email is from the box canyon, but you probably figured that out. There is a small pool at the base of the waterfall. When there is rain, the waterfall gets pretty big filling the creek and requiring waders. The creek bed was pretty dry when we were there.



Subject: Fwd: Bday Trip Email 5. – Pics



Subject: Bday Trip Email 6. Map of Put-In from Wild Bill's Outfitters

Our canoe trip was about 11 miles; 7 hours.

We put in at Maumee mid-day on 7/25, and ended up at Buffalo Point that evening.

The plan was to camp at Buffalo Point and take off from there to continue to Rush Landing the following morning.

However, after 7 hours in 102 degree heat with very minimal shade and breeze, we decided to end the canoeing portion of our adventure.

So, as Buffalo Point was not a pick-up point for the adventure, we had to drag, carry and will the canoe up a very steep hill; about 300 feet crunching on medium sized rocks on top of sand. It was a feat to say the least. But, Wild Bill's asked that we bring the canoe up and leave in the campground parking lot for their pick-up.

We were brain scorched!

Wild Bill's Outfitter



Largest Outfitter on the Buffalo National River

Wild Bills Outfitter is located on the lower section of the Buffalo River near Buffalo Point and Dillard's Ferry (Hwy 14 Bridge). This section of the river is great for families and novice floaters.

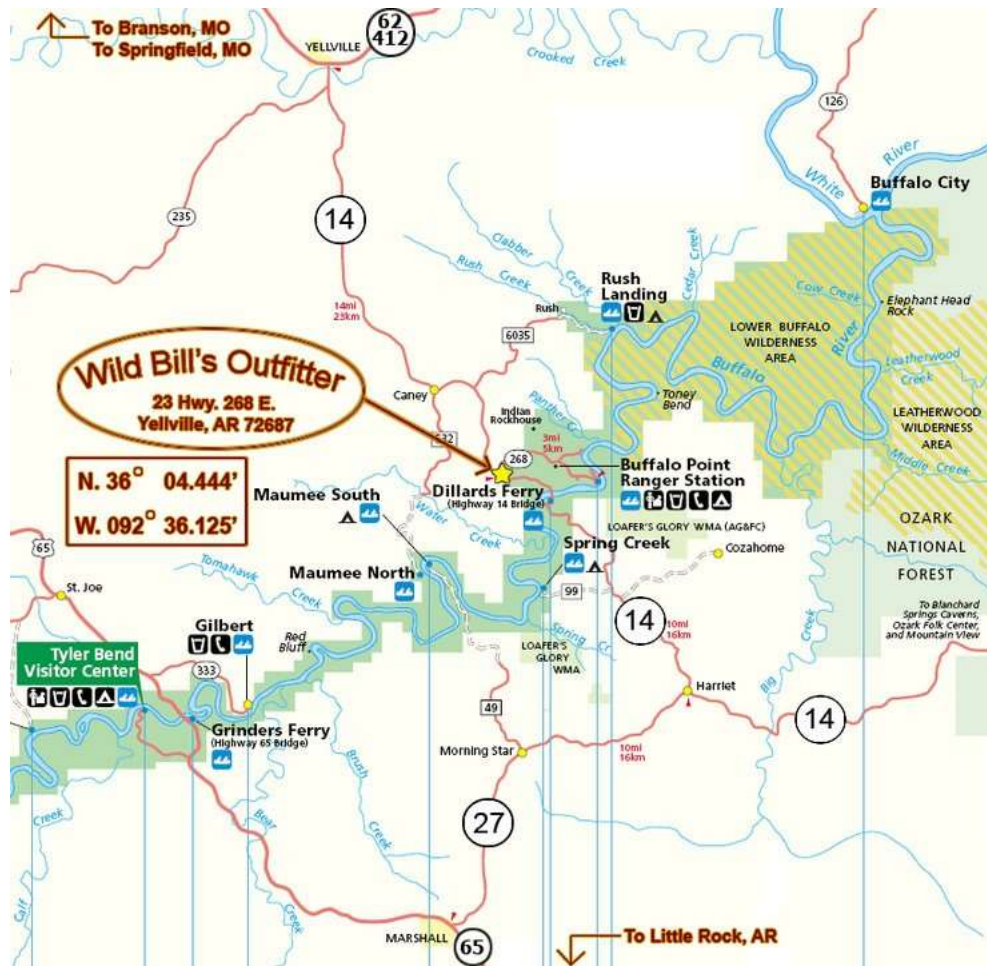
We rent canoes, kayaks, rafts and Jon boats for trips from 3 hours to all day (day trip) to several days.

Wild Bills Outfitter has hosted reunions, corporate meetings, weddings, and church retreats and can take care of any size group with lodging and recreation.

Our rustic mountain cabins (some with 2 person Jacuzzi tubs) will accommodate from 2-10 people (depending on the cabin). We also have accommodations for groups of 20-32 people.

Our lodging is centrally located to all area attractions, makes us a great headquarters for your visit to the beautiful Ozarks. Our friendly and courteous staff knows what Good Ole, Down Home Southern Hospitality is all about. Our door is always open. Nestled in the heart of the Ozarks, the Buffalo National River is one of the most scenic rivers in the United States. Let us be your host for an experience of a lifetime. Ya'll come see us now, Hear!





Subject: Email About camping night one...

I think I did mention that we did not have time to make camp prior to our canoe launch.

After getting a bite to eat at Buffalo Point restaurant that was just about to close, we were way too tired to figure out where we were supposed to camp. We ended up where the RV people go.

I slept in my car (seats fully reclined), and David slept on the picnic table with air mattress on top. The folks in the RV next to us couldn't quite tell where those people with the red car were sleeping. I call my little Mazda 2 an RV, now.

Very nice bathrooms and showers.

On the way out, we spotted the spaces for tent sleepers. Next time!

Of course, the cabin with "room service" felt very luxurious on the 2nd night of our 2-night trip/adventure.

SAVE THE DATE

By John Viverito

Saturday October 21, start time 10:00AM -Skippers Meeting @ 9:00 am.

A very special team racing event:

AMERICAN FOOTBALL on the water!

2 teams one port tack (offense) the other starboard (defense).

First to the opposition's end zone earns a point (within a time limit). Then each team sails to the other end and we start again hopefully the wind gods will allow 4 quarters.

Come one come all and practice or learn your sailing, tactical, and racing skills. All are invited to participate, experience not needed.

So please come and become experienced.

See you there 

To prepare you for this Team Racing Event, we will be the "Guest Speakers" at the Club's Wed, Oct. 4th Meeting at the Safety Harbor Library. We will start with a review of the Basic Rules of Racing, followed by a Demonstration of the "AMERICAN FOOTBALL On The Water" procedure. See you there.

Your Safety Harbor Boat Club race committee.

Saturday October 21 Start time 10:00 AM.
Skippers meeting at 09:00AM

For Sale: 21' San Juan Mark II - 1975

By Connie Pope

This was a former SHBC member's boat that Paul & I purchased a few years ago.
(Sean's sailboat)

- 1974 or 75 ...San Juan Mark II 21' swing keel with small outboard engine from 1979 that runs like a sewing machine.
- Easy start ...even a girl like me can start it.
- Registered in Florida and has official Antique status with state of Florida.
- Swing keep works fine, cable in good condition.
- Tiller steering
- Long cockpit with rear traveler system

- Anchor and line.
- Main, jib, and spinnaker (blue spin).
- New lines for most important ones like stepping line and jib lines.
- Pretty dry down below.
- Port-a-potty
- Newer marine battery (easy access)
- Cabin that most people can sit upright in... with headroom and storage compartments (Mark II model has more headroom down below deck, than other models San Juan made)
- Newer galvanized trailer.

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FREE TOUR OF NOAA WEATHER FACILITY IN RUSKIN

BY ELLEN HENDERSON



As a follow-up our **Wed., Aug. 2nd SHBC** meeting's guest speaker, **Carl Newman**, who is giving a presentation on NOAA Hurricane Hunters, we are planning a **FREE TOUR OF the NOAA WEATHER FACILITY IN RUSKIN**. If you are interested in participating, Contact: Ellen Henderson @ [\(727\) 797-9380](tel:727-797-9380) or text @ [\(727\)238-1807](tel:727-238-1807). We'll form carpools to get to the destination.

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