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# St Patty's Day Race and Party at the Marina – Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

SUBMITTED BY MARK KANUCK

Avast and Listen Up SHBC members and families!!!!

If you've not already, you're are going to want to SAVE THIS DATE: Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup> for our Safety Harbor Boat Club's traditional St Patrick's Day Race and Marina Party. For skippers and crew, the race will commence at 10:00 am sharp. The party will begin at 4:00 pm at the Marina Pavilion. As in years past this is a catered affair and we are glad to have the Stuffed Mushroom from Safety Harbor back and supplying a wonderfully scrumptious New England boiled dinner of corn beef and cabbage, boiled potatoes and carrots and rolls and butter. We have also asked Stuffed Mushroom to come up with a Vegetarian alternative which they will if enough people sign up.

We are holding the line on costs and it will be the same as last year: \$16 per member and \$20 per guest. No one has ever walked away hungry from this meal! You MUST RSVP no later than March 6<sup>th</sup>, in fact, the sooner the better as the caterer needs a head count at least 10 days prior to the event. We will be collecting money at our regular meeting on March 6th (or

you can mail a check to our PO Box below), but we must receive firm commitments NO LATER THAN MAR 6<sup>th</sup>.

YOU CAN REPLY DIRECTLY TO THIS E-MAIL (Mark Kanuck < miksan@gmail.com > ) WITH WHO IS COMING (WHETHER MEMBER OR GUEST) AND IF YOU DESIRE A VEGETARIAN ALTERNATIVE.

We ask that you also bring either an appetizer (A-M) or dessert (N-Z). which was generous and successful for our Change of Watch Party. The club will provide bottled water. BYOB.

Members' Skip and Bob Meadows have been gracious enough to act the "hostesses" with the "mostesses" for this party and they and Ellen Henderson are looking for a few volunteers to help with set-up, decorations, picture taking and clean-up. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be going around at our March meeting. There will be songs, games, prizes and fun galore so get those RSVP's sent in on time and we'll see you there.

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### GUEST SPEAKERS FOR SHBC MARCH 6th MEETING

BY ELLEN HENDERSON - PHOTO BY BRIAN GARRY



Plan to attend our **Wed., MAR 6th SHBC meeting at 6:30** pm at the Safety Harbor Library. Our guest speakers will be **Brian and Phyllis Garry**, who's presentation will be "**North to Alaska**". This will include both a sailing and a land adventure.

# RECAP OF GUEST SPEAKER FROM FEB. 6TH SHBC MEETING

ARTICLE & PIX BY ELLEN HENDERSON



Our guest speakers were **Leslie and Darrell Allen**, who's presentation was "Island Packet Yachts". This was also a sneak preview of our SHBC Tour of "Island Packet Yachts", that occurred on Feb. 26. (See separate article in the March "Sentinel" issue).

Leslie and Darrell Allen both started sailing in Texas. Leslie sailed in college and Darrell had



worked in the retail side of boating for over 36 years, mostly in **San Diego**. In Nov. 2016 they were contacted by the previous owner of **Island Packet Yachts** to possibly buy the company, which had been founded in the 1970's by **Bob Johnson**. The current owner had owned the **Splenda Sugar Substitute** company and had been involved with **Seaward Yachts** for 40 years in Florida's shallow waters.

**Darrell** came to Florida and by Jan. 2017 he bought the company. He started out with 13 employees, which was down from their previous 200. They consolidated the two facilities into

one for a restart-up of Island Packet Yachts, Seaward Yachts and Blue Jacket Yachts.

They use Quantum Sails, which are locally sourced, Yanmar engines and their rigging and electronic sources are also local. **Island Packet Yachts** has received eight **Cruising World Boat of the Year awards**; four **SAIL Best Boats awards**. With over 2,200 yachts built, from 26 to 52 feet, these yachts have amassed millions of miles of all kinds of cruising.

They will host the 2nd Annual Island Packet Yachts Factory Rendezvous on Mar 14 - Mar 16 2019 Island Packet Yachts Factory Rendezvous @ 1979 Wild Acres Rd, Largo. All Island Packet owners are invited to a weekend of celebration and education surrounding all things sailing.

### **JACK MYERS - MEMORIAL AT SEA**

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX BY ANNA JACKSON MYERS AND ELLEN



Many thanks to **Dick Greenhalgh**, who organized **Jack Myers' Memorial at Sea**. On a warm and sunny Fri., on Feb. 22 at 1:15 pm, with very light wind, **Dick** invited **Jack's Pastor**, **Reverend Douglas Poole** plus nine other Skippers and their crew to the **Captains Meeting** along the sidewalk by his boat "*Gail Force*" by the outer SH Marina Seawall. There was a total of **24 SHBC Members and guests** in attendance. While **Dick** was videotaping the event, he handed out a list of all of the boats that would be parading in sequence led by **Dale Cuddeback's** "*Incentive*" with this photographer (**Ellen Henderson**) on board. They would pass around **Dick's** anchored trawler. His **wife Sharon** handed out a rose to each boat owner to be deposited into upper Tampa Bay, South-East of the Marina as **Sharon** rang the ship's bell as each boat would be passing to port of "*Gail Force*". After the Captain's Meeting, **Reverend Poole** gave a stirring

invocation in Jack Myers' honor.













The fleet proceeded out into the Bay and one by one payed homage to our good friend Jack as they each passed "Gail Force". While Dick videotaped the event, he had a friend on board, who controlled a flying drone nearby and above the fleet. The sequence order of parading boats, that followed "Incentive's" lead were: "Shibumi" with owner Mike Hornbuckle and a guest, Chris Garrill's "John Marie" and crew: John Estok and Lisa Lanza, Patrick Whelan's "Suncatcher", Gerry Corbino's "Rum Boogie", "Starwind" with owners Commodore Mark Kanuck and his wife Ann, ViceCommodore/Club Racing Chair John Viverito's "Pegasus", a 5200 Powerboat, with owner Ted Hill and crew Ron Poirson and bringing up the rear was Jack's former sailboat "Jewel Ann", which was recently purchased by Clarence Noles, who's crew was Jack's very good friend Ed Malek and Club Treasurer Joan Marzi. Aboard "Gail Force" was Jack's widow Anna Jackson Myers, who had a container with Jack's ashes. Dick's sister Betty Taylor was part of the dockside ceremony, but she was unable to go out on the boat.

















Upon completion of this ceremony many boats opted to sail or motor down toward the Big Bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway, which was **Jack's** last time sailing with his beloved **Safety Harbor Boat Club** on Tampa Bay, which he had enjoyed so much. Everyone agreed that this had been a very poignant event that they would not soon forget. What a wonderful way to celebrate **Jack Myers'** memory.

Dick Greenhalgh's video may be available to see at our March 6 SHBC Monthly meeting.

## UPCOMING FREE BOAT TOUR OF THE PORT OF TAMPA BAY – THURS. - MARCH 28

ARTICLE-ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX-ARCHIVES

In 2012 SHBC Members and Guests combined with two other Clubs: Bay Sailors and Friendship Force to meet the minimum passenger requirement for the FREE BOAT TOUR OF PORT TAMPA BAY. Everyone had a great time on the water. So, we're again partnering with Friendship Force for this tour, which is sponsored jointly by the Florida Aquarium and the TAMPA Port Authority (one supplies the boat and the other provides the docent).

On Thursday., MARCH 28 we will meet at the FREE Parking Lot between 8th & 9th Ave., which is across the street from the Stuffed Mushroom on SH's Main Street @ 7:15 am and form carpools. We'll leave by 7:30 am and drive to the Tampa Florida Aquarium, where there's nearby garage parking. We'll meet the Friendship Force Members at the Manta Ray statue at 8:30 am. The Tour lasts until 10:15-10:30 am.



(See Newsletter v3n9 (online) for details about this shot...)
After the tour we will optionally meet for an early lunch at Carmine's Restaurant: 1802 E. 7th
Ave. in Ybor City (813-248-3834) to unwind.

We need a head count to give the port, so come to our MARCH. 6 SHBC Meeting, where you can sign up for the tour. Or call or text Ellen Henderson (727) 238-1807 with any further questions & to RSVP your plan to join us for the FREE BOAT TOUR OF THE PORT OF TAMPA BAY & optional Lunch.

# FUN 'N SUN INTERNATIONAL FLY-IN & EXPO SATURDAY, APRIL 6

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX BY FNS Site



We are planning a 2nd annual SHBC group excursion to the **Sun 'N Fun International Fly-In & Expo** held at the **Lakeland Linder Regional Airport** on **Saturday, April 6**. Daily admission is \$37 for adults, but **only \$10 after 5pm**. On **Saturday evening** there is an **airshow** from **7:30 to 9:30 pm**. There are several area restaurants within a five-mile radius. There's also plenty of food/drinks sold at the Airshow.

We will meet @ 3:00 pm at the Parking Lot between 8th & 9th Ave Across from the Stuffed Mushroom on SH's Main Street and form carpools & will leave by 3:15 pm to attend the airshow and get to see all of the new and vintage airplanes.

Last year we arrived at the Lakeland Linder Regional Airport about 4:30 pm and found we couldn't get in, as the General Parking Lot was FULL. So, we joined a bunch of locals parked across the road from the entrance to watch the ongoing daytime Air Show until 5:00 pm, when the Parking Lot started to empty out for the night time participants to enter.

More information will be available at our meeting in March SHBC Mtg. and to sign up for the Air Show.









### Just a Note...

Congratulations to Clarence Noles, who has purchased "Jewel Anne", a Merritt 22' from Jack Myers' widow Anna Jackson Myers.

We hope to see Clarence out competing in our SHBC races in his new boat.

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: SAL AND NANCY FARINA**

By ELLEN HENDERSON AND PIX BY SAL FARINA

Sal Farina started sailing in Clearwater out of the Municipal Marina in 1983. He took the ASA Certified Cruising Course and USCG Power Squadron Courses and cruised locally in the ICW and on the Gulf on his Hunter 22', which he owned from 1983-90. Meanwhile Nancy Farina sailed with the Windlasses from 1979-89 and she raced in the Windjammers Bikini Cup along with skipper Cheryl Twining on her "Sea Mist", a Seafarer 29' (which competed with my Irwin 32' "Secant") in the All-Female Non-Spin Class and also on Jay Myers' "Mystic" a Morgan 27' in the Spinnaker Class.

In 1989 they moved to **Long Island, NY** and had their boat transported to **Port Washington, NJ** and they sailed on **Manhasset Bay** until their **H 22'**sank at its mooring, after it was hit by a runaway barge during Hurricane "**Bob**" in 1990.

They next owned a **Pearson 26'** from 1990-2006, which they sailed on **Long Island Sound** and in the **Atlantic Ocean** along the **Coast of Long Island**. During this time, they mostly cruised, but **Sal** did a little racing as crew.

They currently have a **Hunter Cherubini 30'** "**Ava Rose**" with a 5'6" draft, which is docked at the **Manhasset Bay Ship Yard**. They also belong to the **Harlem YC at City Island, NY**. They plan to bring their sailboat to Pinellas County. Meanwhile they are interested in crewing with members of SHBC.



New members, Sal and Nancy Farina with their Granddaughter Ava sailing their Hunter 30 on Manhasset Bay.

# LAND CRUISE TOUR OF ISLAND PACKET YACHTS - TUES., FEB. 26

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX BY DEBBIE IRVING and MARK KANUCK

If you were at the Feb. 6th Club Meeting, you got a preview from our Speakers: **Co-owners Leslie & Darrell Allen**. On TUES., FEB. 26 most of us met at the Parking Lot between 8th & 9th Ave., is across from the Stuffed Mushroom on SH's Main Street @ 9:00 am and formed carpools driven by **Mikey Hembrey** with co-pilot **Patricia Coyle**. Guest **Karl Schraegle** drove **Lisa Lanza**, **Joe Resendes** and **John Estok**, while **Club Vice Commodore John Viverito** chauffeured **Commodore Mark Kanuck** and trip organizer **Ellen Henderson**. We left by 9:15 am. A few, **Marcus Lund** and **Debbie Irving** plus **Bruce Mellinger**, met us there, as they either lived closer to the Factory or had errands to run in the Largo area.



Twelve SHBC members and their guests showed up at ISLAND PACKET YACHTS on TUES., FEB. 26. We were joined by three other visitors, who assembled with us for the 10:00 am FREE tour, which lasted about 90 minutes with our very knowledgeable tour guide Nick Cox, who is the Company's Product Manager. Nick has been with IPY for 17 years, having worked his way up through the Carpentry/Trim Dept. He accompanies boats on their journey to their new owners with distribution throughout the US & other parts of the world and he helps with the set up. We were also graciously greeted by co-owner Leslie Allen and briefly saw Darrell Allen, who was walking through the plant with some customers.

Feb. is a good, cooler month in which we got to see the plant in action by starting in the **Fiberglass Shop**, then to the **Prep Dept**, on to the **Finish Area** and then to the **Wood Milling** section. Each **IPY** takes 3-5 months to be constructed, during which time the hull parts are lifted by crane to each area for their specialists to work on them. The rigging supplier is **Seaco South**, which is nearby. Their winch supplier is **Lewmar** and **Yanmar** provides their engines. The inmast roller-furling double-spreader rig from Charleston Spars is anodized and powder coated, so the finish should be good for years. The **IPY** uses a full length keel, which allows for close to shore sailing.

Most of the **IPY**'s are custom built to their new owners' specifications. **Nick** told us the most unusual request was a **Composting Head**. They'll add the number of air conditioning units, depending on the size and configuration of the hull. To avoid problems with termites, they use Coosa, which is a glass-infused composite, which will not absorb moisture, thus also avoiding dry-rot below decks. Their joinery work was exquisite, and they use Mahogany and Oak for cabin soles instead of Teak and Holley. The topsides wood is Teak Caprails, which easily handle salt water splashes.

The laying up of fiberglass and spraying of gel coat is all done by hand by an operator, who sits on a self-operated swinging crane. Even though they started out with 13 employees, they now have 50, who were kept very busy doing their craft.

Nick discussed the **cutter rig vs, the solent rig**: The following is from a blog Mark Kanuck found on the web: Like the cutter rig, the solent rig also utilizes two headsails; the two different sized genoas sit close together, the second just behind the main forestay, unlike those on the cutter which sit relatively far apart. So, how does a solent rig compare to a cutter rig?

Unlike the cutter rig, it is not intended for both headsails on a solent rig to be flown at the same time. That said, it is possible to use twin headsails (which help to steady the boat) to sail dead-downwind, with one sail poled out to starboard and the other to port. This is one of the major advantages of the solent rig. However, the downside of poled out twin headsails is that quick, emergency, changes of direction are problematic.

#### Another blog:

The most obvious benefit of this type of rig (solent) is the ability to have multiple headsails ready to deploy. On the headstay, we carry our No. 1, a 145-percent genoa, and we have our 125-percent genoa, the No. 2, on the inner forestay. These two sail sizes are what the boat came with. A third headsail, a 90-percent jib, is carried on the staysail stay. Before we added a furler on this stay, we used a hank-on staysail, but with the furler, we've found new ways to put this small sail to use; more on that later.

The solent rig truly shines going downwind, particularly dead downwind. What, on many other boats, is an awkward, rolly, nerve-wracking point of sail is often like riding the rails on a fast-moving train. Along with its headsail arrangement, it came with two spinnaker poles,

which we mounted on a double-car track. With both our genoas poled out and the mainsail either double-reefed or taken down completely, the boat sails dead downwind extremely comfortably. With the mainsail down, we eliminate the worry of an accidental jibe, and as soon as the poles are set, the boat becomes remarkably stable. In 25 knots of true wind and 10-foot seas, we've made steady speeds of 7 to 8.5 knots with little effort while in complete control. (In air under 10 true, we use the cruising chute when possible for dead-downwind sailing).

Their newest **2020 IPY** is the **525**, which sells for **\$699,000**. (Go out & buy that Lottery ticked for this one). Its beam is 15'4" and draws 5'3". Its displacement is 44,150 lbs with 16,000 lbs ballast. It has 6'5" headroom. (Steve Doherty would would have loved that). Unfortunately, the mast height is 63'6" (too tall to go under the Courtney Campbell Bridge). The fuel and water tank capacity are each 300 gal. The boat has 4 cabins with 9 berths. In addition, we also saw construction on the **Blue Jacket Yacht**, (who's designers were **Tim Jackett** with **Bob Johnson**), which draws 7'10" in the deep draft configuration or 5'9" for shoal draft in it's 40' model. They also make the **Seaward 26 RK**, which goes for a bargain at **\$104,000**.

We asked **Nick** about racing the **IPY**. Some research revealed that the **IP 45** took **1st Place** in these Regattas: **Newport-Bermuda, Charleston-Bermuda (IP40), Chicago-Mackinac Singlehanded Challenge (IP40), Regatta del Sol (Isla Mujeures) (IP440, 420 & 380).** So, in big Regattas, they are big winners.

They also do refits for owners and a Hurricane-damaged boat was in their shop, getting ready to go back to its owner all shiny and like new.

After the tour, we had lunch at the nearby **Sweet Tomatoes Restaurant** in the **Largo Mall**, which is near **ISLAND PACKET YACHTS**.







Editor's Note: These pictures will be out of the sequence they were taken. They are blended from multiple sources...



































































## **Ann's Island Walkabout**

By Ann Scott



I recently spent a week in St. Croix after being sick since Xmas Day. Met up there with my friend Joan from New York. Very pretty island, but hilly; they drive on the left side of the road, so we did not rent a car. Everything was very expensive compared to Florida. We had rented an AIRbnb cottage which turned out to be absolutely lovely. We had hosts



who treated us like family and brought us breakfast every morning. They also dropped us off and picked us up when we needed it.

We spent a day snorkeling at Buck Island, followed by a delicious lunch at Rum Runners in Christiansted. Had a complete tour of the island from a friend of our hosts including Port Udall, the most eastern point and the Y2K monument/sundial; Salt Bay where Christopher Columbus landed; Cave Bay with beautiful beaches; the rain forest where I fed a huge boar a can of O'Douls at the Peltier Hut/Domino Club; he took it in his mouth, crushed it, drank the beer and then spat out the can!



Fredericksted had lovely beaches but not much else.

The oil refinery that was damaged by the hurricane is currently being rebuilt which will help the employment situation there. We saw statues of three women who used mongooses to carry burning rags to burn down Christiansted to protest the US buying St. Croix from Denmark in 1717.

We got to taste soursap, a local fruit I had never heard of; it was delicious. We also saw a costumed dog parade, which was a fundraiser for a charity event; took a small boat to Hotel on the Cay, saw the Historic fort and finished up with one of the best dinners I have ever had in the courtyard of Savant, a French restaurant. The day before we left, we went to the Botanical Gardens which was well worth a visit.



## "What you can do if your boat is at home"

By BRIAN GARRY, Pix by Brian

These three ladies, Anne Garry (De Guia) far Left, and her sister's, Eden & Shelia from the Philippines...posing with the Snowman an Angel in front of John's home.

We flew up on 20DEC18, to Reagan Intl., then a 38.5 miles NW., to Ashburn, VA. Then a couple of day's up to



Mercerburg, PA. Back to Ashburn, then onto **Bryce Mtn., Ski resort**, in the **Shenandoah mountains**, just East of W VA. border. The "Chalet High" at Bryce resort was our base camp. Skiing, Tubing, and Toboggan filled a week, with a mountain creek's gurgling water sound's, putting us into Snoozeville at night. Temp's were moderate, with a 28 being the lowest at night.

One day 60 degree's warmed the slopes. A side run South to Harrisonburg, VA., on Saturday offered more Civil War historical review. We saw **Manassas**, **Bull-Run**, **and Antitum**...over the course of our Holiday odyssey. The State of VA., MD., WVA., and PA afford one a panoramic review of America's worst War. It was interesting to note how many Confederate as well as American Flags were flying in many parts of these intra-State areas. Harper's Ferry, another favorite site for our review. Here is the confluence of the Potomac & Shenandoah rivers.... plus the **Appalachian Trail**, runs directly through this town. We did walk about 4 miles of the trail.

Our Grandbaby, John Ernesto D. Garry, age 16 months made this a very Special Christmas gathering for all. New Year's Eve., in the mountain's was a different twist...as we watched the Ball drop in "Times Square" NY, NY. We flew home 6JAN19.



Happy New Year!

#### 2019 MARDI GRAS/VALENTINE PARTY

by Dale Cuddeback

Again, so soon? Isn't it crazy how time flies by when you get past age forty? Oh yeah, just wait till you get past sixty. I know when a party is coming up when Ellen starts stalking me. Yep, she wants me to write another article. Here goes...

My boat Incentive has a view of the pavilion so that I can peek over to the people decorating the tables, shelter posts, and any unfortunate dog, cat or squirrel that happens to stroll by. Someone was walking around passing out beads. And some unlucky souls had to wear New Orleans masks. When I thought that work was completed, I gathered up my contribution to the pot-luck party and rushed over with my best "sorry, I'm late" look on my face. Nobody noticed since they were all busy talking and dodging the bead lady. Now, it's OK to wear the beads but the fear is that one would forget to turn them in at the end of the party and then they'll have Ellen tracking them down.

I'm just kidding here because we always have a great time at these parties. In the beginning everyone is on their feet walking around socializing and dodging the bead lady. By the time all the food is consumed many of us were seated (or splayed) on the iron grates serving as seats at the picnic tables wondering why we ate so much. I've timed it. It takes two days for the imprint of those iron seat grates to disappear from my posterior. Kinda reminds me of the black grate marks on hamburger meat patties after leaving them on the hot BBQ too long. Scary.

Now comes the part of this article that is of most concern for me. Ellen insists (no threatens) that I list the names of all the members who worked so hard decorating, cleaning up, and turned in their beads at the end of the party. If I overlook or misspell anyone's name, then I'll have Ellen tracking me down.

Party Host: Mark Kanuck

**Member Attendees:** Ann Scott, Clarence Noles, Dale Cuddeback, Ron and Brenda Poirson, Patricia Coyle, Emily Wagner, Skip and Bob Meadows, Scott and Diane Hood, Ellen Henderson and Mark Kanuck.

Guests: John Herrick, Lena Redding, Annie Davidson and William Eigles.

**Decorating:** Scott and Diane Hood, Ellen Henderson, Annie Davidson, Emily Wagner, Skip and Bob Meadows. (Unfortunately, Bob stumbled and skinned his arm bad enough to go home for treatment.)

**Party Supplies** (... picked up from John Viverito's house. John entered a marathon somewhere and couldn't attend the party.)

**Clean-up:** Scott and Diane Hood, Ellen Henderson, Annie Davidson, Skip Meadows and Mark Kanuck.

**Zumba-Line Dancing:** Leader Lena Redding, Patricia Coyle, John Herrick, Ellen Henderson and Mark Kanuck. (Ellen wanted me to mention that Emily did not dance for some reason) By the way, Scott Hood took some video of Mark's interpretation of Zumba Dancing and got some great footage of Mark's rear. I don't think Mark will be offended because he obviously has no shame.

#### **Games Winners:**

Bean Bag Toss: Lena Reddings, Patricia Coyle and Ann Scott.

**50/50:** Diane Scott (actually, winner(?) Diane bought \$10 of tickets but only won back \$9. I think that Clarence, who sold the tickets, probably tried to rig the game to win himself but miss-rigged it somehow)

Now we get to the food. The mostly Mardi Gras food was excellent. We had Etoufee, Jambalaya, Shrimp/chicken Gumbo, Sausage Gumbo, Rice, Baked Ziti, Macaroni salad, Cold Slaw, chocolate cake, apple pie, assorted Girl Scout Cookies, and left-over Yuengling Beer (imagine that).

I can't say enough about the excellent Mardi Gras dishes. I guess the dessert was for the Valentine part of the party. A GREAT PARTY.























































Decorators,
L to R:
Scott Hood,
Ellen,
Annie Davidson,
Dale,
Emily Wagner,
Diane Hood,
Skip Meadows.

## **Change of Watch Party a Big FUN Change!**

By Renee Viverito < Pix by Renee and Ellen

The Safety Harbor Boat Club's Annual Change of Watch Party was held on Sunday afternoon January 27, 2019 in the Safety Harbor Sheriff's Youth Ranch Community Room. The party was hosted and organized by Ann and Mark Kanuck. Catered food from Grillsmith Restaurant was served to over 40 club members and their guests by Mark Kanuck, Brian Garry, and Jack Youra. Ellen Henderson and her choral group led the crowd in a medley of American show tunes while Joan Marzi ran a trivia game for our less musically inclined members. Mikey Hembrey, our audiovisual coordinator, presented a retrospective of our SHBC 2018 adventures. Many thanks to Ann, Mark, Brian, Jack, Joan, Ellen, Mikey and the many other members, who helped decorate, entertain, serve and clean up.

Marty Horowitz won the door prize, Ed Malek won the 50/50 and \$107 was collected in donations for the Sherriff's Youth Ranch! The party was great fun as new and old friends shared stories, congratulations, plans for 2019 and good wishes. Thank you to all who participated!

The party welcomed new 2019 officers with their new Burgees: Commodore Mark Kanuck, Vice-Commodore John Viverito, Scribe Millie Nasta, Treasurer Joan Marzi, Cruise Chair Brian Garry,

Co-Race Chairs Dale Cuddeback and John Viverito, Newsletter Editor Mikey Hembrey and Speaker Recruiter Ellen Henderson.



A heartfelt farewell to our 2018 officers: Commodore Joan Marzi, Vice-Commodores Linda Brandt, Jurgen Billhofer, and John Viverito, Scribe Sherry Duffy and John Viverito, Treasurer Mark Kanuck, Race Chairpersons Dale Cuddeback and John Viverito, and Speaker Recruiter Ellen Henderson.

2018 was a busy year for the Safety Harbor Boat Club and 2019 is gearing up!





















































## Back Bay Triangle Regatta - Sat Feb 9th

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX - JOHN VIVERITO + ARCHIVES

The **Back Bay Triangle Race** took place Saturday, Feb. 9, with the regatta scheduled 10 am start. During the day before the Regatta, Mark **Kanuck** plus **Co-Race Chairs Dale Cuddeback** and **John Viverito** set the temporary mark near the **Big Bridge** along the **Courtney Campbell Causeway.** 

The course was given via VHF Radio CH 68, while the starting wind was blowing a steady 15 kts.

SHBC's **Co-Race Chair John Viverito** had previously decided that the fleet would go out to the temporary marks, dropped the day before. To provide a longer than usual course, the marks were set at the big bridge and near the little bridge along the **Courtney Campbell Causeway**, then back to the start-finish line, creating a triangle, covering a distance of **6+ nautical miles**, all with starboard roundings.

At this special, annual event, a perpetual trophy was up for grabs, so five boats showed up to compete. There was an outgoing tide during the entire race, so the fleet jockeyed for line position from opposite ends with the majority opting to start on port tack so to not be pushed into the right-side mark. We on **John V's** "Pegasus" headed for the closer-to-the-mark starboard-right pin end on starboard tack but realized we would have a problem with both "Incentive" and "Starwind" bearing down on us. So, we also tacked onto port at the last minute and were second over the start line behind "Incentive", with "Starwind" bearing down on us from behind. The lead group was followed by solo sailor Gerry Corbino's "Rumboogie" and Chris Garrill's "John Marie".

The crews on these boats were going to have quite a workout for this race. **Dale Cuddeback's** "Incentive" lost two crew at the last minute, so **Paul Matthews** and **Linda Brandt** had their hands full. **John V.** initially opted to go with a reefed Main and the Jib opened only about 2/3's, but boats were starting to pass us, so crew **Emily Wagner** and **Ellen Henderson** fully opened the Jib, and both climbed to the high side rail with feet getting splashed with each breaking wave. At one point this writer's boat shoes were so full of water, that she had to pour the seawater out of them.



On this windward leg "Rumboogie" easily passed the fleet ahead and streaked down toward the temporary mark near the Big Bridge to round it first. "Incentive" held second place, while we on "Pegasus" after one tack slipped back to fifth place behind "Starwind" with owner Mark Kanuck and crew Jack Box and Joan Marzi, plus Chris Garrill's "John Marie" with her crew Clarence Noles and Richard Planas.

On the second leg, which was a broad starboard reach, we on "Pegasus" tightened the jib for a new heading of 280-285 degrees and we passed "Incentive" and thought we had a chance of passing some of the other boats ahead, especially since "John Marie" was missing a hank on her jib and so the sail's luff was scalloping, but to no avail. "Rumboogie" has no difficulty finding the second mark near the little bridge, which assisted the rest of our positions. Every boat rounded in place.



The last windward leg was parade to the finish. "Rumboogie" blithely stayed ahead of the fleet to easily finish in first place. Even though "Pegasus" finished in place ahead of "Incentive", they beat us on corrected time. See details below:

Since "Pegasus" crew Emily was picking up the Cuban Subs order, they had to head in, so Gerry Corbino went back and picked up each of the dropped marks.

The post-race party was held at the Pavilion. Gerry Corbino's "Rumboogie" accepted the perpetual trophy as the winner of the Back Bay Triangle Regatta.

Start time: 10:11:24

<u>Vessel</u> <u>Crew</u> <u>Finish Time</u> <u>Elapsed Time</u>

1) Rum Boogie 1 11:20:58

#### WHERE IN THE WORLD IS JACK YOURA!

Hello everyone from Bohol in the Philippines! Jack was here for our Jan. Change of Watch Party, but he's now touring the world again until June.









## **Safety Harbor Boat Club Schedule 2019:**

SafetyHarborBoatClub.com - Dates are subject to change

Club Meetings: @ Safety Harbor Library 1st Wednesday of month (except July & August).

Doors open at 6pm/meeting starts promptly at 6:30pm - Guests welcome!

Races: Committee & Skippers will decide if the race will take place and the course on race day.

If you wish to crew then be at the marina 45 minutes before the start of the race.

**Cruises & Other Social Events**: Are announced to Members as they are planned.

#### March:

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	Saturday 2 Wednesday 6 Saturday 9 Wednesday 13 Saturday 16 Saturday 16 Wednesday 27 Thursday 28	9:30am 6:30pm 10am 6pm 10am 4pm 6pm 7:15am	St.Pat Race Tour F	tty's Race tty's Part Port of Ta Meet at Pr	ty Marina Marina ampa ublic Lot	
April:						
•	Wednesday 3	6:30pm	Meetir	ng	Library	
	Saturday 6	10am	Race		Marina	
	Saturday 6	3PM	Lakela	Lakeland Linder		
			Night Air show			
			Meet at Public Lot on Main street SH Across from Stuffed			
			Mushroom			
	Wednesday 10	6pm	Race		Marina	

May:

Saturday 13

Thursday 18

Wednesday 24

Wednesday 1	6:30	Meetiing Library
Saturday 4	10am	Race Marina
Wednesday 8	6pm	Race Marina
Thursday 16	6pm	Happy Hour/Trivia
		Jack Willies Oldsmar
Wednesday 22	6pm	Race Marina
Monday 27	10am	Steve Doherty Memorial Race
		Marina
Monday 27	4pm	Memorial Day Party Marina

Race

Overnight Cruise

Happy Hour/Trivia

JackWillies, Oldsmar

Marina

TBA

# ...before it gets too hot, I hope!

TBA

6PM

6 pm

Hi Mikey/Scott:

Thanks Lisa! That Red Tide presentation would sure be of interest for all of us in the boat club.

Mikey. I got this from Lisa. If you have room, please put it in the next Sentinel.

Scott: Also forwarded to you since I think you're our point people on kayaking and I know that Weedon might be a good place to plan a kayak adventure. Ann and I were there many years ago when we owned kayaks and loved it. I think they have rentals so it might make it convenient for SHBC people to be able to rent one right there. I do know they have a lot of other interesting stuff at Weedon. My sense is that all of us with interest in being on the water (sailing, power boating, kayaking, etc...) would gravitate to an outing like this. Up to you, just a suggestion.

#### Mark



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