



# S.H.B.C. Sentinel

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## **GUEST SPEAKER: GEORGE DAVIS**

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; PIX: GEORGE & BETH DAVIS



Plan to attend our **Wed., NOV. 3rd, SHBC ZOOM meeting at 6:30 pm.** Our **Guest Speaker** will be **GEORGE DAVIS** who will give a presentation on **“CREWING ON THE SQUARE RIGGER - THE BOUNTY”**.

Plan to attend our SHBC Monthly **ZOOM** Meeting **Wednesday**

**NOVEMBER 3rd, 2021**



**18:30 EST (6:30PM)**

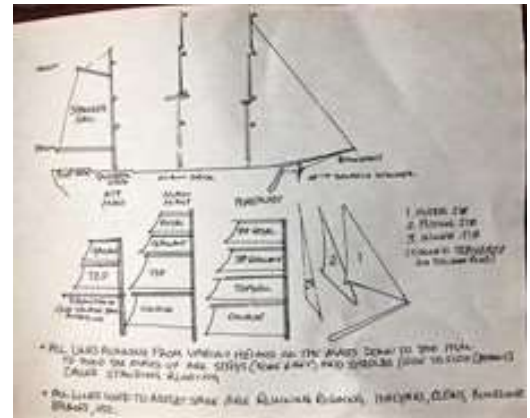
**GEORGE DAVIS will Present**  
**“CREWING ON THE SQUARE RIGGER - THE BOUNTY”**

**George Davis' Bio**

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

**Sea Time Experiences:**

- Navigator on Unlimited outboard powerboat races
- **Raced Snipes and Hobie Cats**
- Served on boats in Vietnam '68,'69
- **Owned** and sailed a **13-ton spoon-bowed coastal schooner for 18 years**; cruised from **Tarpon Springs to Dry Tortugas** and every pass, port, creek and gunk hole in between.
- **Raced on crews** as **navigator** and **tactician** in PHRF (including **Clearwater to Key West**, and all local West Coast events), **Columbus Day Regatta in Miami**.
- Sailed out of **Los Angeles into the Pacific**
- Pursuing his affinity for traditional sail, he has been aboard the **Clipper Ship Peking in NYC**, the **whaler Joseph Conrad in Mystic, Conn.**, the **Nina replica locally**, the **Star of India clipper in San Diego** and the **USS Constitution in Boston**.
- He was on the **Bounty** when the Navy Captain who would sail Old Ironsides for the first time in 100 years came to learn how to sail a square-rigged ship. By the way, the new 10,000 square feet of sails for her were built locally by **Doyle Sails**. He served on the **Volunteer Sail Training crew** for 6 months in 1997. On board eventually as **Mast Captain** on the **mizzen (aft) mast**.
- He lives in **Clearwater** with his remarkable wife Beth, in a 97-year-old house. He is 78 and drives a 67-year-old car. Thank goodness Beth also appreciates old things.



# Rhombus' Cuban Adventure

Recorded by Fred Braman



**Captain Frederick Braman, USN (ret)** was our Club's Guest Speaker in Oct., 2020 on the topic of: "Cruising from Jacksonville, FL to the Bahamas" and in Jan., 2021 on the topic of: "Cruising by Mailboat". Aug. 2021 he was again a guest speaker, this time on his Cuban Adventure in s/v Rhombus.

Fred wrote a 3-part report; much too long to include here. Our solution is to post them on the Club's website as PDF files in the Archive section..

<http://www.safetyharborboatclub.com/Newsletter/PDF/NewsletterArchive.asp>

## SHBC BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

BY ELLEN HENDERSON, PIX BY ARCHIVES

Congratulations to those SHBC Members, whose Birthdays and Anniversaries fall in the Month of **November**.

### Birthdays:

11-1 John Herrick  
11-4 Linda Brandt<-----  
11-14 Dennis McKenna  
11-21 Ann Scott  
11-23 Anna Jackson Myers  
11-25 Clarence Noles  
11-25 Tim Sindt



### Anniversaries:

11-10 Curt and Linda Brandt<-----

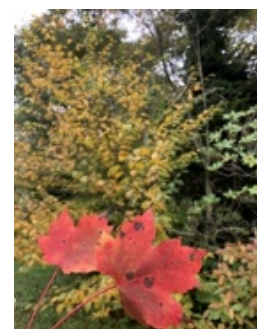


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## Blue Ridge Parkway Road Trip

By Connie & Paul Pope

Connie and Paul are spending nearly 3 weeks (Oct 1-17) in the Blue Ridge Parkway area. It is over 200 miles of scenic highway extending across the Appalachian Mountains from Shenandoah National Park at Afton, Virginia to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park at Cherokee, North Carolina. [Mikey – A few years ago, I drove part of it during a Vette road trip to the Smoky's. Don't let it be an once-in-a-lifetime event!] To get an idea of why the trip is worth it, visit this website... <https://www.blueridgeparkway.org/>



# HAPPY VETERANS DAY! NOV. 11

By a Veteran



This Veterans Day, we pay tribute to generations of men and women who have served and still serve in uniform. We celebrate veterans of every Service who have built the finest military the world has ever seen. And we honor their service which has protected this great republic for more than two centuries. To those who made the ultimate sacrifice, we owe a debt that can never be repaid.

Today, we salute America's veterans and their families. We thank all the veterans who embody the highest ideals of this Nation that we cherish so dearly...people like Lt. Col. Dick Cole, one of the four living Doolittle Raiders. He said of volunteering for the raid, "They had a note on the company bulletin board that they were looking for volunteers for a dangerous mission ... I signed my name."

When I graduated from high school back in '64, I did not have enough money to go to college and the drop-outs had all the jobs. The draft was going crazy and some were defecting to Canada. I enlisted in the Air Force because I figured it was better to carry a tool bag rather than a gun. It was an education in life, and the loss of it, I have cherished all my life. Interesting enough, I can usually tell if a person is a veteran or not after a few minutes of conversation. Veterans seem to have an uncanny ability to know what is really important.





# SAVE THE DATE: DEC. 4th - 2021 SAFETY HARBOR HOLIDAY PARADE

PIX: ARCHIVES

Thanks to **Dale Cuddeback's** holiday spirit and energy, SHBC is properly signed up to have a float (boat) in the annual **Safety Harbor Holiday Parade** again this year. We **need decorators and marchers** and spectators to make this a big success. **Dale** has member **Cam Carlin** working on getting us a boat for the parade. We need someone who is willing to tow the boat in the parade. **Ron Poirson** is on the case to obtain beads to pass out during the parade. We need decorators to assemble at

at the Marina parking lot to dress up the boat and make it festive and bright. This activity is lots of fun and laughs for everyone. Please let Dale know if you can **help with the decorating at his email address - [decuddeback@gmail.com](mailto:decuddeback@gmail.com)**.

The next thing we need is people to march with the boat while passing out beads to all the children who will be eagerly reaching out for treats. Don your gay Holiday apparel and comfortable shoes for this part! Please let Dale know if you want to be a Santa's helper for the parade. You would need to be at the boat by 10:00 AM for marching in the parade. And, finally, we need spectators! Round up your friends and family, bring chairs, and get in position to watch this outstanding Safety Harbor event. Plan lunch or drinks After the event to keep businesses booming in our little town. (Have a parking plan in mind.) Huge thanks to all who have volunteered and who will volunteer for this awesome fun day. Don't forget **Saturday, December 4th, 8:00AM to decorate** and **10:00AM to march**. Hope to see you there!



Before and After

# Life of a Referee and Timekeeper

By Brian Garry

Mikey, here are 6 pics., from a recent Boxing event in the Tampa Bay area.



Two, show Phyllis at her Ringside, Time-Keeper's position. Note the electronic Clock, Bell, Hammers, Whistle, & additional hand held Stop watches. Setting next to her, is the alternate Referee, who is the "Knock-Down" time keeper, for 10 counts.

The others show some action pics, during the main event. I am a Judge, during the rounds, but obviously can't take a picture, when I am Judging a bout.



These shots came, when I had a break, between my scheduled Judging bouts.



All Pro rounds are 3 minutes in duration, with a 1 minute rest period. Rounds are scheduled for a 4, 6, 8, 10, or 12 round Contest. 12, being reserved for Title bouts.

The "Time-Keeper", has the additional responsibility, to start a hand held stopwatch, at the moment a Boxer is knock-down. If that felled fighter, is back up, on his feet before 30 seconds has elapsed, a 30

day Medical suspension is enforced. If he is down, over 30 seconds, but up before 2 minutes has elapsed, a 90 day Medical suspension is imposed. If the Boxer is unresponsive and down over two minutes, a 180 day Medical suspension. With a complete MRI, CAT-SCAN, and Neurological evaluation by a MD, is mandated, in order to be licensed to Box again. All of this is logged into a National data base, at the ABC, ( American Boxing Commissioners ), out of St. Louis, Missouri.



If you are KO'd, 4 times, over a two year period, you're finished, license revoked.

This gives the average, casual Boxing fan, an insider's view, as to the duties of the Time-Keeper. Like riding the Bell to start each Round. Then again, at the rounds conclusion. Plus, with 10 seconds left on the 3 minute rd. A Rubber Hammer, is struck hard, upon a block of wood. Thus letting both Boxers, Ref, Judges, and Corners know there is 10 seconds left until the Bell rings, to conclude the round.

Then, at 50 seconds, have elapsed in the 1 minute rest period, the Time-Keeper, blows a loud Whistle. To alert, Corner men, Boxer's, and officials know, in 10 seconds, the New round will commence.

Just a few notes, to enlighten our fellow seaman/boaters and sporting enthusiasts, about the "Sweet Science", as Boxing is fondly referred to.

Hope you enjoy,  
Brian Garry.

# Product Review – Contigo Travel Mug

By Mikey



Not my first product review, but the one most members will find useful. It is the **Contigo Travel Mug** (Amazon link below). I spotted my son's Go-To-Work coffee mug last spring. Jason ranted about how good it was, so I decided to try one myself.

Fast forward to mid-September when I was leaving for my NY-PA-NC-TN-KY-FL road trip. I fixed a cup of coffee the usual way and poured it into the Contigo, and hit the road. When I got to I-75 heading North, I took a sip of the coffee. I could not believe it was still too hot to drink. Even after 2.5 hours and lots of sips, the coffee was still warm enough to be satisfying.

As some of you know, I drive a car with a very stiff ride. A sailboat is often a bouncy, wobbly ride, but imagine much faster. Trying to drink coffee from a cup while driving, even with a lid, can be a messy thing. This is where the Contigo shows its true colors. Never once did I spill coffee, or get a large gulp of hot coffee, while driving. The opening is trigger operated, and even has a lock button so you won't accidentally leak by pressing the button.

As an aside, I expect this mug would be good for cold drinks in a sailboat cockpit too.

Overall, I give this 16oz travel mug two thumbs and two big toes up. I bought mine here...

<https://www.amazon.com/Contigo-AUTOSEAL-Vacuum-Insulated-Stainless-Travel/dp/B00HZI5XBG>

## Eight(!) Years of Publishing

By Mikey



November 2013 was the first issue of the Sentinel published. The layout and content reeks of "First Issue". I have no idea how I framed the pictures, especially the tilted one. Thanks go to Ellen Henderson for her enthusiastic, some would say relentless, reporting and feature collecting. Following are a few highlights from the November issue of each year.

### 2013

**Frank Fitzhenry** was our Commodore and the Toys for Tots advocate.

**Barry Fox and Chris Dolin** team up to win the first reported race in *Amelia*.

**Christy and Tom Potter** report their road trip with a trailered 26' MacGregor.

### 2014

**Wanderlust** won the final October boat race, 5 minutes ahead of Pegasus.

**Phyllis Garry** won 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Chili Cook-off.

**Barry Fox and Dusty** visited 16 States, drove 7964 miles, enjoyed 4 National Parks, experienced 9 State or County Parks, and camped out 24 nights, each without rain!

**Mikey** complained he was busier than he ever was before retirement.

## 2015

**Miguel Marquez** spoke on his participation in the 500 Year Anniversary of Christopher Columbus' crossing from Europe to America on the replica of the "Santa Maria".

**A 3-year old cries** because of one of the Ween costumes.

**Mark Kanuk** gives us a 9-page story about moving his boat from Ft. Pierce.

## 2016

**Wanderlust** won another October race.

**Mark Kanuk and Ann** took a road trip that took 5 pages to report.

**Phyllis Garry** takes second place in the Chili Cook-off.

## 2017

**Mark Kanuk** reports another trip, to Lake Champlain, and 6 pages in this one.

**Pegasus** wins the October race this time.

**Mikey** copies a thimble splice article from Good Old Boat magazine.

## 2018

This was the **5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** issue, exceeding all expectations.

**Patricia Coyle** reports on jumping into the cold waters of Gitche Gumi, Michigan

**Incentive** won a race without using the engine... Really!

## 2019

**Brian and Phyllis Garry** spoke on their river cruising adventures.

**TowBoatUS** story shows how dangerous an autopilot can be if not careful.

**Linda Brandt** re-joins SHBC and becomes the official SHBC Club Photographer/Videographer

## 2020

**SHBC Veteran's Day Survey** showed we had 19 veterans spread across all branches. The Navy had the most (who would have guessed?), but the Army ran a close second.

**Linda Brandt and Dale Cuddyback** rescued a kiteboarder in dire need of help.

**Ron Poirson** puts up his winning vessel *Wanderlust* for sale.

## 2021

**This November issue** is the work of 8 years reporting and sermonizing. Read it to learn more about the SHBC members and activities.

## FRANK FITZHENRY MEMORIAL LABOR DAY RACE AND PARTY - SAT., SEPT. 4th

By Ellen Henderson & John Viverito + Pix from Archives

This year we did something DIFFERENT for **Labor Day**. Instead of doing it on Monday, September the 6th, SHBC Celebrated on **SAT., SEPT. 4th**. So, skippers got their sails and crews ready for our annual **Labor Day Race**, which was newly renamed in honor of **Frank Fitzhenry**, a **former Club Commodore** and **one of the Founding Members** of SHBC, for 2021! The Race was scheduled to start at 9:00 AM. The Boat Owners and their Crew showed up at the Marina Bulletin Board @ 8:00 AM for the Skippers' Meeting and crew assignments.



The **Frank Fitzhenry Memorial Race** Results Are In... **Paul Matthews** owner and his crew aboard "**Empire**" were the **winners** of our inaugural **Frank Fitzhenry Labor Day Race**!

At 3:00 PM the **Decorating Team** consisting of: **Ellen Henderson, Annette Delligatti** and **Tina Schultz** transformed our favorite gathering place, **The Safety Harbor Marina Pavilion** into a **Red/White/Blue Patriotic** setting for the Party for our Club members, their families & guests, who started Partying at 5:00 PM. The Club provided the usual eating utensils, plates, cups, etc. Members were asked to bring their own food, water & their favorite libation. SHBC Commodore **Mark Kanuck** was our **Party Host**.



## UPCOMING **FREE** - "JAZZ ON THE WATERFRONT" - FRI. NOV. 12

BY ELLEN HENDERSON; Pix - Internet



Join us for another **FREE** "JAZZ ON THE WATERFRONT" - FRI. NOV. 12 @ 6:30 PM Safety Harbor Spa. Bring your lawn chairs. It will take place on the waterfront property behind the There will be vendors selling food and libations. This is always a fun event & it's **FREE!** This year's main event is featuring **Voices of Jazz**, who will specialize in **classic big band era jazz, swing and modern arrangements.** **SEE YOU THERE!**

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