



The Pilot

Palm Coast Yacht Club



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Fleet Report

Event Captain Judy Sulser has planned the first fleet trip of the year to Fernandina Beach March 18 through March 23. The itinerary includes an overnight at **Palm Cove Marina** in Jacksonville Beach on Thursday, March 18, continuing to **Fernandina Harbor Marina** on Friday, March 19 for three nights. On the return trip we will cruise south to **St. Augustine Municipal Marina** on Monday, March 22, continuing to our home port Palm Coast on Tuesday, March 23.

Small boat captains and non-boating members can make lodging reservations at the Florida House Inn Restaurant and Bed & Breakfast or the Hampton Inn - Historic Harbor

Front. Reservation information: **Palm Cove Marina** (904) 223-4757. **Fernandina Harbor Marina** (904) 310-3300. **Florida House Inn**, 22 South 3rd Street, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 (904)491-3322. **Hampton Inn Amelia Island-Historic Harbor Front**, 19 S. 2nd Street, FB 32034 (904) 491-3322.

Cruise dates were selected because Daylight Savings Time begins March 14, the first day of Spring is Saturday, March 20, and World Water Day is Monday, March 22.

So we will have much to celebrate! Social activities are likely to be impromptu. But most of us know Fernandina Beach has lots of restaurants

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Social Activities

We are still doing Zoom meetings but have moved it to Tuesdays since a lot of our members seem to be planning on going back to Pine Lakes for Dinner. We will continue at least one Zoom meeting until everyone feels safe to get out in public again. Our Shipmates are lagging behind but hopefully we will get going before too long. I'm not sure how we are going to start doing face to face since we have to still safely distance ourselves. I am looking into that and further information is coming in the future. I am excited to get back to a little bit of normalcy these days and look forward to Birthday cakes down the road.

Linda Taillon,
Rear Commodore

Events

Every Tuesday at 5:00 pm Zoom
3,17 Shipmates by Zoom
Every Thursday at 11:30 am -
Men's Lunch at Denny
4 GMM 4 pm Dinner follows PLGC
18-28 Fleet Cruise to Fernandina



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COMMODORE'S

ORNER

Our fleet will be headed to Fernandina Beach in a few days, Friday night dinners are resuming for those who are comfortable with restaurant dining, and Sarah Ullis has volunteered to once again helm the annual Holiday Boat Parade. It looks like things are SLOWLY returning to normal.

The first General Membership Meeting of 2021 is scheduled for Friday, March 5. We will meet at 4pm in the main dining room at Pine Lakes Golf Club. Our friends at Pine Lakes require face masks and there will be room for social distancing. The meeting will also be on Zoom so those who don't participate in person can still take part.

This will be a regular Membership Meeting, but the main agenda item will be a report from the members of the Steering Committee, who have been working with our attorneys to determine what can and cannot be done with the proceeds from the sale of our former building.

The committee has a written opinion from the lawyers, and this should be their final report. I would like to thank Linda Osborn, Candyce Schmidt, Andy Boothe, Mark Lewis and Alan Titus for their months of work to get us definitive answers to many of the questions you have asked.

And a special Thank You to committee member Bob Bescher who, I am told, was the ever-supportive source of historical perspective for the group while continuing to look to the future. We will certainly miss Bob and Peggy as they plan their move up the coast. But they will be close enough for us to invite them for frequent visits.

I hope to see many of you on the 5th. Be well.

Donnella Crawford,
 Commodore



Return to Friday Dining at PLGC. Delightful company and meal. Returning to in person contact is great!

Vice Commordore's Report

The BOG approved the following guidelines for your Member at Large to follow in executing our sunshine program:

The Member at Large is authorized to send get well cards to any PCYC member who is ill and a floral arrangement to any PCYC member of approximately \$50 who has been hospitalized.

This program will only be successful if the PCYC members participate by notifying your Member at Large of any member who is ill or hospitalized. I want to thank you all in advance for your support in making this a successful program.

Your Member at Large,
Alan Titus

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General Membership Meeting

Friday, March 5, 2021
Meeting 4:00pm
PLGC Main Dining Room

Steering Committee final report on
mortgage funds

If you feel comfortable doing so, please
stay for dinner later.

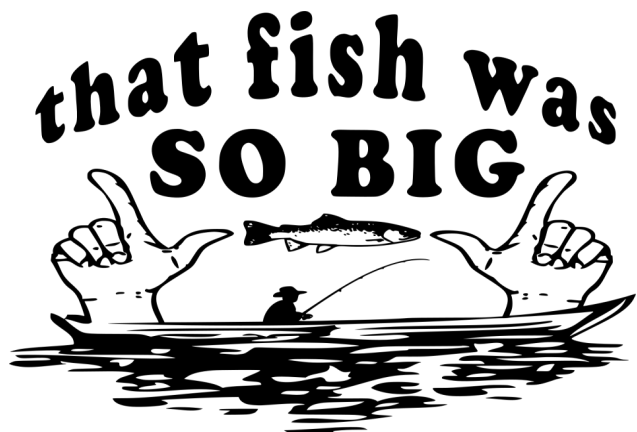


In this new temporary version of club life as we now know it which will be back to normal in a few months, I am pleased that the new board is working so hard to keep up a semblance of normality. Donella is a splendid leader. I have yet to define my role, other than to appoint a webmaster. Donella has accepted with the help of Lynn Taillon. They will keep you advised as to progress.

However, it is with some trepidation that I will take back the lines for the chair of the boat parade. I have asked the city for December 11 and have some ideas for the show this year that I shall share with you as they shape up. As you know, the 2020 unofficial parade was popular with Palm Coasters and I understand they are looking forward to the official parade returning this year. There is no reason to assume that we won't be back to a reasonable "normal" by December, although I am sure that masking still will be de rigeur. Flagler Broadcasting will resume its live coverage of the parade and I hope for some more good editorial coverage both nationally and locally. I am going to ask each of you to help us move forward with this. The last official parade had only three PCYC members participating, and we need many more if this is truly going to be a Palm Coast Yacht Club event. And I ask each of you to share with me any ideas you might have to make this an even better parade this year. I need your assistance and support.

So here's to 2021! Better than ever!

Sarah Ullis
Vice Commodore





Celebrations



Birthdays

Deckhands March

30 Robin Whitcher

April

02 Andy Boothe
07 Steve Gerrish
16 Robert Bester
Robert Ulis
21 Bob Williams
24 Ken Mazzie

Shipmates March

05 Donna Heiss
14 Candy Schmidt
21 Luci McGhee
25 Becky Skrzypecki

April

10 Judith Massfeller
430 Betty DeSteno

Anniversaries

March — None

April

02 Robin & Lois Whitcher
03 John & Shari Hildebrandt
12 Robrt & Linda McCann
23 Bob & Peggy Bescher
26 Robert & Sarah Ulis

BOG Secretary Barb Kipnis Bio

I've been boating for almost fifty years. We started with a 15' sailboat and went to a 24', then a 30' and a 35' before switching to a 50' trawler. Now we're on a downhill slope! We just sold our 44' power cat and are hoping to buy a 28 to 30 foot cruiser. We've been Floridians for 17 years and don't miss the Chicago cold and snow at all, although we still have cross country skis in the garage.

I was on the Board of MTOA for 9 years and was President for two. In my former life I was a high school teacher and a computer database manager, but I now prefer quilting and gardening. I am also a chocolatier and enjoy cooking Chinese food.

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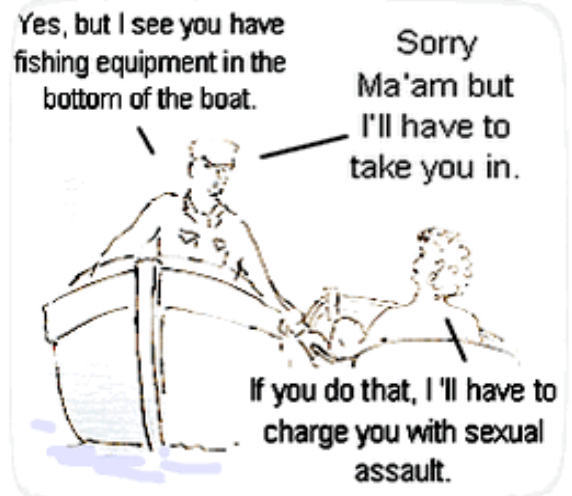
of restaurants, shops, galleries, and other amenities within easy walking distance!

The April Captains Meeting is tentatively set for the Titus home Monday, April 5. Event Captain Bill Schwartz is arranging for the Blessing of the Fleet April 17 with pending confirmation of clergy.

Many ideas for upcoming events but Event Captains needed. Please contact me if you are willing to assist in the arrangements for future PCYC Fleet Events.

Robin Whitcher

Fleet Captain



MARCH 2021

| SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU | FRI | SAT |
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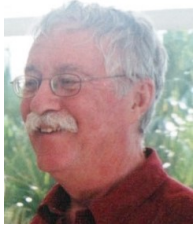
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Remembering Two Former Members

We have received news of the passing of two former members since the beginning of 2021



Malcolm Kennedy passed away in January. He was the publisher of the Pilot when I joined PCYC in 2005 and when he retired, I became his replacement. Although many things have changed over the years, he had established a very good procedure for telling the PCYC story to the world through the Pilot. Malcolm and Luisa eventually returned to her native Columbia. Malcolm had never lost his English accent and his good humor entertained many of us.



Dorothea (Dot) Gilbert passed away on Monday, February 22, 2021. In 1978 she and her husband John relocated to Palm Coast. They were active in Palm Coast Yacht Club with John serving as Commodore and Dot remaining an active bridge player following his death. She was active in St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church, Ladies' Guild, as well as a volunteer for many other organizations including typing for the blind. She loved to dance, play golf, bridge, Mah Jongg, fishing, boating, reading and baking for her family and friends. She is survived by her daughter and. Mass will be held at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton on March 2 at 11:00 am. Visitation will be at 10:00 am at the church. The burial will take place at Volusia Memorial Park on Nova Road in Ormond Beach.

Cruise survey

PCYC members.....Taking a survey for a potential cruise in fall or winter 2021.

Please respond....Would you be interested in cruising?

If yes, would you be interested in a 7 day in either Celebrity or Holland America leaving from Fort Lauderdale?

If yes, would you be interested in:

Option 1 Nov 13, 2021 7 night Celebrity Reflection (itinerary....Nassau Bahamas, sea day, St. Thomas, San Juan Puerto Rico, Puerto Plata, Sea day.

Option 2 Feb 26, 2022 7 night Holland America Nieuw Amsterdam (itinerary..... Half moon cay Bahamas, sea day, Aruba, Curaçao, sea day

Option 3. Feb 27, 2022 7 night Holland America Rotterdam (itinerary.....sea day... Grand Turks, Turks and Caicos, San Juan Puerto Rico, St Thomas sea day, half moon cay, Bahamas

Option 4 March 20, 2022 7 night Holland America Rotterdam (itinerary.....half moon cay Bahamas, sea day, Aruba, Curaçao, sea day

We will contact the cruise lines to get prices if anyone is interested in cruising and interested in any of the above.

This is just the preliminary survey to see if there is interest in PCYC going on a cruise! These cruise lines were chosen because they offer a 7day cruise with decent itineraries. If we look at cruising out of Port Canaveral those ships are bigger and may not be a good fit for many of us.

Would appreciate your response as soon as possible. Thank you! Alan Titus altitus@outlook.com