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Mayor Alfin waving to crowd aboard Gilyard's M&G Pride



Radio Broadcast team
Priscilla Netts, David Ayers
and Linda Cole

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Social Activities

Deck Hands!

All are welcome at Denny's for "breakfast". It starts at 11:30AM each Thursday.

Shipmates!

Shipmates meet twice each month for lunch on first Wednesdays and third Thursdays. Shipmates Coordinator Judy Sulser has luncheons planned with outdoor dining in mind for the beginning of 2022. We will be gathering at 11:30AM on Wednesday, January 5, at the Green Lion Cafe at the Palm Harbor Golf Club; Thursday, January 20, at the Waterside Cafe in Grand Haven; Wed, February 2, at the Green Lion Cafe; and Thursday, February 24, at Waterside Cafe.

Activities! We have been having fun at our regular Friday night gatherings at Pine Lakes Golf Club. We have usually been in

the main dining room which allows us to keep a social distance. Pine Lakes is CLOSED on Christmas Eve. They tell me they are having a shortened menu for New Years Eve but making special dishes. There was a wonderful Tuesday on the Town planned but cancelled due to too many activities. I hope it will be done in the new year. It is in the planning stages, but there will be a "Cookie Swap" in February. Maybe by Land and Sea! Additionally, we are thinking of hosting a "Chili Cook Off"! Keep eyes out for the updates. Looking forward to 2022!

Candyce Schmidt
Rear Commodore

Events

- 05 Shipmates at Green Lion
- 06,13,20,27 Men's lunch at Denny's
- 07,21,28 Member Dinner at 5:30 pm
- 14 Birthday/Anniv Dinner
- 16 New Member Meet -Lure 4-7
- 20 Shipmates at Waterside Cafe
- 21-30 Caribbean Cruise
- 25 Tue on the Town 5:30 ish



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COMMODORE'S

ORNER

Happy New Year! As 2022 begins, I'm still on a high from the fabulous, record-breaking Holiday Boat Parade. It was an outstanding event and I want to thank Sarah Ulis for all her hard work, as well as the boaters who decorated their vessels and took part in this Palm Coast tradition.

2022 is shaping up to be an exciting time for PCYC. We have received many membership inquiries and applications recently. Getting our name out into the community and reminding folks that we're still here and going strong is an added bonus of sponsoring the parade. The membership committee is working to put together an event to introduce prospective members to our club. I hope everyone will take part in that, if possible.

One of the things I learned during the Dinner and Discussion series was that newer members are eager to get involved and to get to know us all a bit better. In the coming months, I hope to come up with ideas to help all of us get to bond a bit more. So, begin thinking about something you would like to tell the group about yourself that most of us don't know!

Our Renaissance II Committee is almost ready with suggestions for addressing some of the concerns members mentioned in our recent questionnaires. And the Social Committee is beginning to work on events for the year.

Fleet Captain Robin Witcher already has the outline for a busy cruising season. It isn't too late to add to his list, though. If there is a trip you think would be fun for the group – including day trips for the smaller boats – please let him know.

As the new year begins, I'd like to share a quote from William Arthur Ward.

Do more than belong: participate.

Do more than care: help.

Do more than believe: practice.

Do more than be fair: be kind.

Do more than dream: work

Do more than forgive: forget

So, please join me in making 2022 the year we all participate in helping each other practice being kind as we work together to forget the challenges of the past as we build our future.

Donnella Crawford.
 Commodore

The PCYC Member Roster and Fleet List
 Are both now available on our website.

PLEASE
Do not share this information with non-club members.

One important way to keep our personal information safe and avoid compromising our website security is to refrain from sharing this information.

Commodore Donella Crawford

New Palm Coast Yacht Club Members

Michael Vasseur

Michael lives in Jacksonville Florida. Michael, owns a 2020 Sportmans 212 named “Covered Call” and enjoys boating.

Bruce and Cindy Gough

Bruce and Cindy live in Palm Coast. Prior to moving to Palm Coast they lived in Anchorage Alaska. Bruce worked for the railroad and Cindy was an executive with Providence Health and Services in Alaska. They have a 27ft Tidewater with the name C-Marie. They enjoy boating and travel.

Steve and Terry Franklin

Steve and Terry live in the C section of Palm Coast. Steve was a Fire Officer for Santa Clara County and Terry was head of Procurement/Military Sales for the South Korea Government in Santa Clara, California, prior to moving to Florida. They enjoy boating, social events, travel and dancing.

Otis and Pamela Gilyard

Otis and Pamela live in the C section in Palm Coast. Otis is a retired Flagler County Deputy Sheriff, realtor, master mate, and entrepreneur who loves family and fun. Pamela is a banker. They have a 36ft boat named M&G Pride. They enjoy traveling, cruising, motorcycling and enjoy life at its best. The M&G Pride was the Holiday Parade Grand Marshal’s boat.

James and Danette Potochick

Jim retired in 2001 and they relocated to Palm Coast. Jim worked in distribution and manufacturing for SC Johnson. Danette worked in sales management and marketing. They lived in TX, CA, WI, MI, and England. Danette also worked in commercial real estate for 5 years. They traveled 30,000 miles on their 40ft trawler and now have a 22ft Cobia coastal deck. They both have wanderlust and like to travel and have been to all 50 states and 7 continents.

Louis and Roberta Colageo

Louis is a retired Merchant Marine Captain after 40 years. He sailed for Military Sealift Command. He is a graduate of Kings Point Academy. Moved to Palm Coast in October 2020. Just getting familiar with the area. Would love to get involved in different activities and meeting new people. They have a 20ft Hurricane SD 2000. They love boating, social activities, travel, and dancing.

Alan Titus

Membership Chair



Celebrations



Birthdays

Deckhands

January

14 Ken Wiles
17 Mike Norris

February

None

Shipmates

January

15 Pat Schwartz

February

10 Claire Goldstein
21 Maurine Murphy

Anniversaries

January

None

February

14 Robert & Ruth Bester
15 Mark & Paula Lewis
17 Bill & Pat Schwartz
27 Mike & Janet Norris

January Birthday & Anniversary is the 14th.

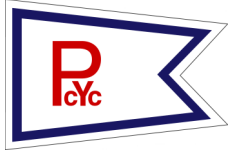
Celebrants for November & December



November—Ken Damiani



December—Linda Murray
Commodore Donella Crawford



Palm Coast Yacht Club January 2022

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						01 New Years Day 2022
02	03	04	05 Shipmates Green Lion 11:30am	06 Men's Lunch Denny's 11:30am	07 BOG 4:30pm PLGC Greet/ Dinner 5:00/5:30pm	08
09	10	11	12	13 Men's Lunch Denny's 11:30am	14 GMM 4:30pm PLGC B&A/ Dinner 5:00/5:30pm	15
16 New Member Meet & Greet Lure Tapas Bar 4:00-7:00pm	17	18	19	20 Men's Lunch Denny's Shipmates Waterside Cf 11:30am	21 4:30pm PLGC Greet/ Dinner 5:00/5:30pm	22 PCYC Caribbean Cruise sails 1/21-1/30
23	24	25 Tue on the Town Fire in the Hole 5:30 meet 6:00ish dine	26	27 Men's Lunch Denny's 11:30am	28 Member Din- ner PLGC Greet/Dinner 5:00/5:30pm	29
30	31					



Boats exiting center cut to ICW



Captains Meeting Sat AM at PLGC



Grand Marshall Boat: Alfin, Staly, Gilyard, Ulis



Mayor and daughter enjoying the parade



Randy Stapleton with presentation of FIND check.



Boats exiting center cut to ICW

Extensive coverage of our 38th Annual Holiday Boat Parade was given both online and in the print media. The full array of boat pictures is available at MerrimanMultiMedia online. Thanks to Sarah Ulis and her crew that made it happen.

Fleet Captains Annual Report

The year 2021 started with plans for a large boat cruise for the fall of 2021. Eventually we settled on a January 2022 cruise.

We initiated a plan to visit New Smyrna Beach during February but it was cancelled due to increasing COVID infections and rescheduled for March. In order to meet existing COVID preventative measures, no public events or socials were scheduled so small fantail social gatherings dominated the weekend.

On April 17th the club held its annual Blessing for the Fleet at the Yacht Harbor Village Marina. The weather was deteriorating up until 5 minutes before the Blessing and the skies opened and Father Goolsby was able to bless 5 boats. The Blessing was followed up with a picnic style event inside the Yacht Harbor Village facility. In May the club had a progressive dinner, where boaters visit multiple waterfront homes and share various food items, appetizers and entrees and eventually gathering at the Yacht Harbor Village facility for deserts and cocktails.

On a short notice trip at the end of May, a couple of boats attended the MTOA rendezvous at Ortega Landing in Jacksonville, FL.

July 4th trip to St Augustine for their annual Independence Day Fireworks Display. Again the weather was mostly overcast with spotty rain showers, but it cleared up for a beautiful evening of fireworks. Towards the end of September the club participated in a Poker Run where boaters went to multiple waterfront homes to collect playing cards and ended at the Yacht Harbor Village facility to play poker. The winning hands were provided with various gifts.

In October the club did a Photo-scavenger hunt for water related objects and met at Herschel Kings Park for a catered BBQ meal at the pavilion.

On another short notice event, several boaters went to Marineland for a weekend in late October.

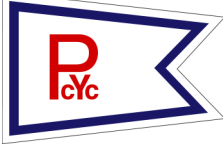
In coordination with the Flagler County Sheriff Department who operates several marine vessels, the Club initiated an educational program for water safety. The program gets kicked off with some boat safety inspections scheduled during our November and December boating trips.

November 5th we planned a 3 night trip to Halifax Harbor (Daytona) coupled with a 2 night trip to New Smyrna Beach. Unfortunately gale force winds up to 34 mph and significant waves along our planned route prevented the trip.

December we went to Palm Cove and then on to Fernandina Beach, returning via an overnight in St Augustine. We were in port at St. Augustine to watch their annual parade of lights (boat parade) and view the reported 6 million lights along their water front businesses.

Although 2021 was hampered with several bouts of unfriendly boating weather, we were able to squeeze in a couple of extra events with some last minute planning. All in all, we still persevered with many fun and exciting boating activities.

Robin Witcher
Fleet Captain



What: PCYC New Year Meet & Greet Social

Where: Lure Tapas Bar at Yacht Harbor Village in the Resort Lobby

When: Sunday, January 16, 2022 4:00pm to 7:00pm

Who: PCYC Members, New Members, Prospective Members

Why: To Celebrate PCYC's Growing Membership

How: Organized by PCYC Membership Committee & PCYC Social Committee

Details will be sent to you via e-mail soon.

RSVPs Required by Friday, January 7



Shipmates Holiday Luncheon hosted by Shipmate Coordinator Judy Sulser

Tuesday on the Town

The first Tuesday on the Town in 2022 will start us off on 1/25 at a new restaurant, Fire in the Hole. The ambiance is casual, pizza cooked in their wood burning oven is to die for, and there is also a full bar and a complete Italian menu.

The plan is to meet at their bar at 5:30 for some social time, and get settled in for dinner by 6/630. We will have the booth end of the restaurant all to ourselves for dinner.

Please RSVP to Ruthanne Ferreira at 2hbgrl@gmail.com by 1/20, or text/call 714 293 1038.

>> Fire in the Hole, 5 Utility Drive (first shopping center on the left as you go south from PCP on Old Kings Rd)

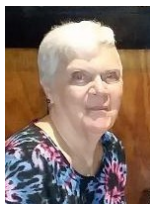
Your Social Committee,
R/C Candy Schmidt, Judy, Jane & Ruthanne



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In Memoriam



A longtime active member recently completed her activities here on planet Earth. Pat Wade left us November 18 after an acute health episode. She had been involved in the production of the Pilot for over 15 years and was responsible for the layout of all the content. Historically, she had prepared the monthly posters displayed in the Yacht Club building and had been active in Shipmates.

Her husband Burt was a retired Naval JAG Officer who wanted a boat in his backyard which prompted their move to Palm Coast from Jacksonville in 2000. He preceded her in death in 2003.

Pat was active in the Palm Coast United Methodist Women's organization. She also served on the Republican Executive Committee for several terms. She worked for the Department of Army at the Pentagon for over 10 years prior to her marriage.

Her greatest joy in life was spending time with her family, especially her two grandsons. She enjoyed them being in Jacksonville which enabled her to spend a great deal of time with them as they grew.

Her Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, January 29, 10:00am at PC United Methodist Church, 5200 Belle Terre Parkway. The family requests that attendees wear red to the service because that was her favorite color.



In Memoriam

Judith Massfeller passed away Thanksgiving weekend at her Assisted Living Facility in Palm Coast. She and husband Jim had a wonderful retirement marriage that kept them busy cruising. When they weren't on the high seas they were in attendance at PCYC dinners. They were always well chaperoned by her four legged companion Bootie. After Jim deceased, Judith moved back to central Florida until her health necessitated the move back to Palm Coast. Her health had prevented her from participating in PCYC activities since the move but those of us who knew her did enjoy her company. There were no local services.

PCYC Fernandina St Augustine Cruise. Dec. 7 to 13.



Schwartz 'Radio Active' underway



Arriving Palm Cove



Fernandina Street Festival



Meals in Fernandina

Fernandina Harbor at night



Boat Parade in St. Augustine



Fernandina Trolley Tour

Boat Tour



Renaming the Boat to Iffin



Renaming a boat has a script to follow to insure all proper steps are taken to safeguard the boat. Barbara had the script and Barry executed every command. The Iffin was now ready for the water and was a part of a very successful Fleet Trip to Fernandina Beach and St. Augustine.