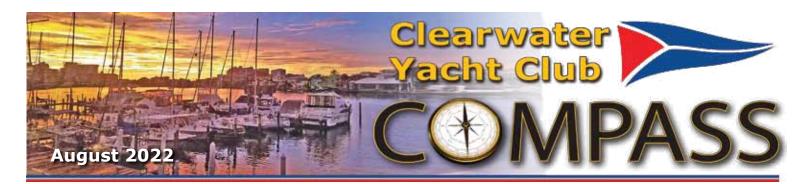


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GOT Water???



See pages 6-8 for more Poker Run photos

Inside

Christmas in July



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Cruisers to Long Boat Key Club and Marina



See page 9 for more Cruisers photos

Commodore's Corner

COMING ABOUT...

Summer is back and so is the CYC Tent on the patio with tropical decor and fans to keep our members cool and refreshed. Our pool is perfectly chilled at this time of year and our Tiki bar is making the coldest drinks on the beach! C'mon out and see the extra umbrellas and shade we have around poolside as well. The Big Screen



Commodore Gregory Crist

in the Dry Dock was also a hit for some of our members who wanted to watch the Wimbledon Championships and enjoy

other games in climate controlled comfort.

There is a lot happening at CYC. First, the "Cruisers Landing" is beginning to take shape with the restoration of our very famous CYC Canon which we unveiled at a ceremony over the 4th of July holiday weekend.



A big thanks to our Cruisers and Cruise Directors, the Newcom's, as well as Dan, our Maintenance Supervisor .

This was just Phase 1 of the project which includes a modern flag pole and new bricks. It took a total team effort to make this transformation possible and it's so great to see the progress we are making around the property.

Lest we forget, how about that CYC knock your socks off Annual Poker Run. As always, it was awesome fun with a little water canon action thrown in.

Finally, as our Marina Project gets underway, we want our members to know that there will be minimal disruption around the club during the next 24 weeks. Expect to see more communication regarding the pier replacement schedule coming forth shortly. Sadly, we could not keep the Pilot House. I do expect, however, that our new marina when complete will really make our club stand out, a destination and an absolute pleasure to come to by water. See you at the Club!



BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

By Kelley Lesperance, Secretary

The BOD took the following actions at the July 21 meeting:

- Approved members of the Long Term Planning Committee, chaired by IPC Mary Key Delk: Participating members: Robert DeVos, Steve Ekovich, Wayne Huneke, Keagan Pennycuff, Richie Shaw.
- Approved new Membership Policy: 5.2 Resignation

 Members can resign with a written notice to the Club, with an effective date 30 days after notification to allow time for the account to be closed in good standing.
 Routine charges apply during the 30-day period.
- Approved appointment of a Distinguished Member, recognizing 50 years of membership.
- Approved Appointment of the Director of the Clearwater Community Sailing Center as an Honorary Member for 1 year.
- Approved Membership Changes: 6 new members, 1 rejoined, 2 status changes, 7 resignations, 1 LOA request.

The next meeting will be held August 18 at 6 pm.

2022 OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, APPOINTMENTS & TRUSTEES

CYC Officers

Greg Crist Commodore
Curtis Wold Vice Commodore
Rich Libonate Rear Commodore
Phil Shaw Treasurer
Kelley Lesperance
Rod White Fleet Captain
Mary Kay Delk Commodore

Mary Kay Delk Board of Directors

Joan Carter Jim Hannigan Amie Crosby Misha Kelly Tom Cummings John Minton

Board of Trustees
PC David Billing
PC Dick Boblenz
PC Collin Heimensen

Harry Jamieson PC Hoyt Nichols PC Tish Wold

Appointments
Fr. Bob Wagenseil
Don Collins

Tim Roberts

Fleet Chaplain Fleet Surgeon FCYC Director





Waterside

By Rod White Fleet Captain

WE HELD OUR Waterside meeting Tuesday, July 19 with a good turn out to discuss our current update on the dock replacement starting August 1.



The replacement will start with the board walk and A dock with a goal of replacing the board walk asap, followed by A dock to minimize the effect on the Tiki hut traffic. The Tiki will remain open during the replacement.

We will be using the current pedestals until our new ones arrive. With the support of our electrical contractor, we will be offering the current pedestals for sale as they are removed.

Our dock contractors have agreed to stack all the boards that were sponsored by past members; if you would like yours as a keepsake or reuse—feel free to take yours.

We will be offering an opportunity to contribute to the new pilings and dock boards as soon as we get started with the replacement of the docks.

The committee agree, we need to start with updated leases and slip holder rules for the privilege of docking at CYC.

Unfortunately, our Dock master Tom has been offered a good opportunity for his future and has given us notice that he will be leaving. Tom has been a wonderful dock master with the desire to go up and beyond the duties of the dock master. We wish him the best in his new venture.

We will bring you future updates on the next stage of the dock replacement soon.

See you at the club! Fair winds and following seas!



CYC BOOK CLUB

By Diane Switalski

THE BOOK CLUB meets the third Tuesday of every month at 6 pm in the Board Room. All members and their guests are welcome to join our stimulating and fun-filled discussions. If you enjoy reading, this is the place to be! Many of us stay for dinner. If you plan to do so, please make reservations with Virginia or Mary at (727) 447-6000. All books are predetermined by the members prior to discussion. Our upcoming meetings will feature the following:

> August 16 THE LINCOLN HIGHWAY by Amor Towles

> > September 20 ANXIOUS PEOPLE

by Fredrik Backman



AUGUST MARKS THE start

of a new Yachting Season and a good time for a refresh on how we put the "Y in CYC". Not only that, we offer fun filled volunteer opportunities for our members! The CYC Yachting Committee is focused on getting sailors and all boaters out on the water, to



encourage vachting, and make CYC members more proficient in seamanship and navigation.

We all take pleasure in belonging to a prestigious Yacht Club. Prestige is measured in many ways, but one of them is successfully hosting major regattas. The Clearwater Yacht Club has a long history of doing just that and 2022/2023 is no exception.

Why do we need to help? CYC has a core group of excellent and experienced race committee members who can organize and run good regattas. Our venue in the Gulf of Mexico is also very popular. Every major event host needs power boats for almost every position on the race course--that is boats, drivers, good radio communication and people who enjoy spending time on the water. Without good powerboat support, we simply can't run any regatta, let alone a really good one!

Will I have fun? If you volunteer your boat and come out on the race course you can count on a good time. Experienced crew will be on the course with you, and afterwards we all meet up at the Tiki to relax and trade stories about the day.

What if I don't have a boat? Key volunteer roles landside include registration, breakfasts for volunteers and competitors, cocktail receptions, awards parties, dinners, graphic design and publicity.

Let me know if you would like to get on the list for any of these opportunities. Training for interested volunteers will be scheduled soon.

OCTOBER 12 – 16, 2022

IMMUNOLIN F18 WORLDS WINTER RACING SERIES IN CLEARWATER BEACH, FL with Red Gear Racing FEBRUARY 1 - 5, 2023

> **US OPEN SAILING SERIES FEBRUARY 15 - 19, 2023 ILCA-NA MIDWINTERS EAST**

IT IS NOT THE SHIP SO MUCH AS THE SKILLFUL

SAILING THAT ASSURES THE PROSPEROUS VOYAGE.

- George William Curtis Yachting Chair - (407) 920-7545 Be careful out on the water this summer.

HOUSE and GROUNDS



By Curtis Wold, Vice Commodore

THE HOUSE AND Grounds
Committee has finalized a proposal for updates to the Taver Bayly dining room and the Grill room to include luxury vinyl plank (LVP), interior painting, refinishing Formica for the bar, carpeting, and furniture replacement, as well as



painting the exterior of the club (burgee colors—white base with blue and red trim) in two stages.

The first stage is planned to include the LVP, bar stools and Formica along with interior and exterior clubhouse painting. Later we will seek committee and board approvals for the second stage for the dining room carpet and furniture.

Work has begun replacing the siding on the boat shed. House and Grounds is planning a member's workday on Saturday, Aug 6 for anyone who would like to come out to help finish repairs and paint (white) the sides of the boat shed. Thanks to Don Carter and sons for their plan to replace the boat shed roof.

Thanks to Gary and Sondra Newcom for the beautifully

Thanks to Gary and Sondra Newcom for the beautifully restored cannon at Cruisers Landing around the nautical flagpole area out front. Finally, thanks to all our members for their efforts to date. August and September promise to be busy as we continue to update our club!

For a bit of sailing trivia, Clearwater Yacht Club's first annually scheduled "big boat regatta" was held in 1977. While the name has been changed to the Clearwater Challenge and the format has been changed from a distance race to a series of round the buoy races, the successor to the Kahlua Cup is still held at CYC..." (The First Hundred Years, CYC 1911-2011). The next Clearwater Challenge race is on Saturday, October 1 as a Gulf Coast Boat of the Year Race (West Florida Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (WFPHRF)) from Clearwater Pass to Anclote and back to Clearwater Pass. See the Yachting Committee article for how to sign up to race, be part of the race committee and/or party with the sailors at the Skipper's Party the night before.

The next House and Grounds Committee meeting will be Tuesday, August 2 at 6:30 pm. Until then, I can be reached at woldca@gmail.com or on my cell phone by text or voice at (727) 641-8633.

Membership

By Amie Crosby, Membership Chairman

I HOPE ALL are continuing to have a wonderful summer and enjoying the amenities CYC has to offer.

Have you been bringing your friends? There is still time for them to join CYC under our Summer membership promotion. This is an excellent chance to give the club a try and determine that it is the right fit for everyone.

We had a new membership orientation on July 10, and we had an excellent time welcoming our members. When you see the pineapple burgee at a table, please be sure to introduce yourself and make the newcomers feel welcome.

I know that many will be disappointed that there is no corny joke this month, instead I'm offering a small incentive to whoever can be the first to tell me how many classifications of membership we have.

Please remember that Membership is not just about recruiting new members, but also retention of our current members. If you have any ideas, questions, suggestions or concerns I invite you to attend the Membership Ambassador meeting on August 3 at 6pm in the Board room. My email is amieamc@icloud.com.

Put the "Y" back in CYC

By Kelly Lesperance

AFTER WATCHING SOME fun sailing theme movies, are you itching to get out on a big boat and do some racing in the Gulf? The summer and fall seasons are chock full of opportunities. A number of CYC members

campaign their boats and might be looking for crew!

The Dunedin Boat Club (DBC) fall series starts on 9/10/22, then the Dunedin Cup on 9/24 and the Clearwater Challenge on 10/1. Check out www.dunedinboatclub.org/racingoverview for details and stay tuned to the Regatta page at Clearwateryachtclub.org for details on how to sign up for the Clearwater Challenge.

All our races start with a skippers meeting/party the night before at the TIKI and end at the TIKI after the race with awards and merriment.

CYC New Members

At the July 21 Board of Directors meeting, the following new memberships were approved:

HENRY LOPEZ
KARIM & CHRISTINE GRABER
MICHELLE & PHILLIP TOWNS
DOUG STUART
CRAIG & ROSEMAR PARSONS
JIM MULLEN

If you see the pineapple burgee on a table, please introduce yourself and give our newest members a warm CYC welcome!



Lots of Sun and Fun for the

By Christy Crist Aspiring Beach Bum & Eternal Optimist



THE ANNUAL POKER RUN returned to CYC with over 100 participants on the water! Teams got competitive quickly, arming every man, woman and child with an assortment of water toys ready to fire at will. A unique course was designed to challenge every kind of boat. Big or small, CYC had them all. Each stop had a different contest and everyone kept cool with refreshments and special frozen treats.

Everyone had lots of fun, food and folly along the way. First, the FUN! "They came to play," said Commodore Crist, who was stationing the boats for the obstacle course on Shepards Beach Resort. "I couldn't believe it. Once they hit the sand, it got serious as onlookers watched from behind the cones". It wasn't about speed for this Poker Run course, it was about the effort of teamwork with some creative talent, costumes and singing skits to score great prizes. Once back, the Staff put on a fantastic summer BBQ with some great food and cold cocktails!

Poker Winners: Best Hand - DevOcean - Alex & Ruth Schoenherr's crew Worst Hand - Hastings - Ben & Brenda Hasting's crew

Contest Winners:

Best CYC Slogan Contest - "Where Dock Size Doesn't Matter" - Ben & Brenda Hasting's crew Best Yacht Rock Performance - Rasta Raft - Craig & Kim Jones' crew

Fastest Bubble Popping - Sign Out 2 - Dan Callahan's crew

Best CYC Spirit Performance - Sign Out 2 - Dan Callahan's crew

Thank You to all of our amazing sponsors that supported this event.

Captain's Level: MarineMax - Stop #5, Hitchcock Law - Stop #3, Belleair Wealth Strategies First Mate's Level: Clearwater Mortgage Broker - Stop #4, Silent Auction Pro, Becatti Wealth Advisors Boatswain's Level: DITEK, Shoreline Real Estate

A special thank you to EliteCSX, David Hartley & Crew for volunteering to step in as stop #1.









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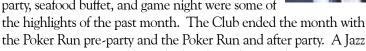




ENTERTAINMENT

By Jim Hannigan, Entertainment Co-Chair GREETINGS CYC MEMBERS.

I hope everyone had a safe and active July. The month began with a festive July 4th weekend of food, fun and music. A new member orientation was held to welcome our newest members. Bingo, Jazzy Dinner night, Christmas in July tropical party, seafood buffet, and game night were some of



grand brunch closed out the month.

August continues to keep up the good times at CYC. We start with Bingo (8/9),

Game Night (8/11), Low Country Boil &

Crawfish races (8/13), Jazzy dinner w/Hannah

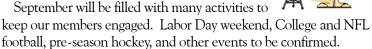
(8/17), Trivia (8/18), Dive In Movie & BBQ (8/20), Wine Dinner (8/25),



White Party (8/27), Jazzy Grand Brunch (8/28).

Please keep the date of August 28 open, as the Employee

Turn About party is held after the Grand Brunch. This event is where the members treat all our valued employees to an afternoon of fun and frolic. An event not to be missed.



Please continue to read the Compass online, watch your e-mails for updates, and Facebook for those following on social media. Thanks again to all for your continued support of our wonderful Club. We appreciate you all for participating in the scheduled events. Please feel free to send us any ideas or musical talent that you might be interested in having appear at the Club. Also, please remember to make those ever important reservations when visiting the Club. We look forward to seeing you around the Club. Our next Entertainment Committee meeting will be on Tuesday, August 9, at 6 pm, in the Board Room upstairs. All are welcome to attend.

Cheers!







by Karen Watson THEY'RE JAMAICAN ME CRAZY

already at the July 14-17 cruise to Long Boat Key Club and Marina. The dock is crowded with crazy cruisers in ty-dye attire and dreadlocked coiffures.

Trying to sneak into the theme with

pink flamingoes isn't going to cut it.

When the cruisers do something, they do it all out, and this cruise is no exception to the rule with 14 boats and 37 people participating in the Jamaican theme.

It all begins with hosts Steve and Leigh Ekovich and their clever conception of activities for the long weekend, beginning with Rum Punch, Red Stripe, 3-tiers of apps on a silver tray and more, including the Jamaican attire contest but this is only the beginning.

This group knows how to party, and following the Ekoviches as ringleaders promises nonstop fun. Thursday's Docktails soon move to the marina's patio to celebrate the birthday of our hardworking and tireless cruise leader, Sondra Newcom, with pizza and cake.

Much more is in store at this sprawling resort that encompasses the marina accommodations, the Key Club resort pool and beach, golf, tennis, pickleball courts, gym and spa. Our group had

opportunities to relax at the marina pool and bar, take morning walks, golf, shop at St. Armand's Circle, compete in pool Volleyball and enter the Crazy Couple Photo contest won by Todd and Amy Crosby.

Another round of docktails and doughnuts Sunday morning hosted by Steve & Leigh sends us out to sea, happy and sated, until next month's adventure unfolds.









CYC EVENTS Save These Dates

Club Dining Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 11:30 am - 9:00 pm Friday & Saturday 11:30 am - 9:30 pm Sunday Breakfast 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Tiki Bar Hours

Tuesday-Thursday 5:00 -10:00 pm Friday 2:00 pm - closing Saturday & Sunday 11:00 am - closing

August

Tuesday - 2nd

House & Grounds - 6:30 pm

Private DD PM

Wednesday - 3rd

Membership - 6 pm

Private DD PM

Friday - 5th

Live Entertainment MDR – ANDRE ROY

Tiki Live-JIM DONNELL - 6-9 pm

Saturday - 6th

Private MDR & Grille

Sunday - 7th

Tiki Live - 2-5 pm - BRIAN CAUDILL

Tuesday - 9th

Entertainment - 6 pm

BINGO - 7:30 pm

Wednesday - 10th

Cruisers - 6:30 pm

Thursday - 11th
GAME NIGHT 7 pm

Friday - 12th

Live Entertainment - J.R. CONNECTIONS

Private DD PM

Saturday - 13th

Tiki Live-CHELLO HOLLOWAY 6 pm

LOW COUNTRY BOIL & CRAWFISH RACES

Live Music MDR PM-J.R. CONNECTIONS

Sunday - 14th

Tiki Live - 2-5 pm - ANDRE ROY

Tuesday - 16th

Book Club - 6 pm

Yachting - 6 pm

Waterside - 7 pm

Wednesday - 17th

Finance - 6 pm

JAZZ NIGHT W/HANNAH

Thursday - 18th

Board of Directors - 6 pm

T-R-I-V-I-A - 7 pm

Friday - 19th

Live Entertainment MDR - SCOTT HARDY

Private DD PM

Saturday - 20th

POOL PARTY BBQ & DIVE IN MOVIE NIGHT (FEAT. "SUMMER RENTAL")

CRUISERS TO THREE ROOKER BAR

Sunday - 21st

Tiki Live - 2-5 pm - MIKE NICHOLS

Tuesday - 23rd

Trustees - 6 pm

Thursday - 25th

WINE TASTING

Friday - 26th

Live Entertainment MDR - ANDRE ROY

Saturday - 27th

WHITE PARTY

Sunday - 28th

Grand Brunch w/ANDRE ROY

EMPLOYEE TURNABOUT PARTY

SEPTEMBER, 2022

Friday - 2nd

Live Entertainment MDR - TBD

Saturday - 3rd

Tiki Live 2-5 pm – TBD

Sunday - 4th

Tiki Live 2-5 pm - TBD

LABOR DAY BBQ

Monday - 5th

LABOR DAY - CYC Labor Day BBQ

Tuesday - 6th

CLUB CLOSED FOR LUNCH-OPENS AT 5 pm

House & Grounds - 6:30 pm

Wednesday - 7th

Membership - 6 pm

Thursday - 9th

Live Music MDR - J.R. CONNECTION

Friday - 10th

FOOTBALL SEASON KICK-OFF

BBO TAILGATE PARTY

Tuesday - 13th

Entertainment - 6 pm

Yachting - 6 pm

Waterside - 6 pm

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BINGO - 7:30 pm

Wednesday - 14th

Finance - 6 pm

Cruisers - 6:30 pm

Thursday - 15th

Board of Directors - 6 pm

T-R-I-V-I-A - 7 pm

Friday - 16th

Live Music TBD

Saturday - 17th

3RD QUARTER BIRTHDAY/ ANNIVERSARY KARAOKE

Tuesday - 20th

Trustees - 6 pm

Book Club - 6 pm

Wednesday - 21st

GULL'S LUNCHEON – Com. Crist Speaker



CYC Committees and Organizations

Entertainment, Jim Hannigan & Tom

Cummings Finance, RC Rich Libonate

House & Grounds, VC Curtis Wold

Membership, Amie Crosby

Nominating Commitee,

Policy, IPC Mary Kay Delk

Sailing Activites,

Waterside, Rod White

Yachting, Kelley Lesperance

Communications, Diane Reynolds

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Cruisiers, Gary & Sondra Newcom

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The deadline for all copy, ads, photos is the Friday following the Board of Directors'

Thursday - 22nd

GAME NIGHT 7 pm

meeting each month.

COMMODORES CRUISE-IN – 22ND TO 25TH

Friday - 23rd

Live Music MDR – **SCOTT HARDY**

Saturday - 24th

COMMODORES CRUISE DINNER MDR

Sunday - 25th

Jazz Grand Brunch - 10 am-2 pm -

w/PETER KERN

Friday - 30th

Live Music TBD

From the Front Office

By Michael Ciaccio, **General Manager CCM**

GREETINGS CYC MEMBERS!

In my report this month I would like to recognize 3 faces that many of our membership are familiar with. In the



hospitality industry there will always be change and key employees will move on to other positions or career opportunities. You learn to appreciate the time you have with each team member and learn from their experiences. Clearwater Yacht club is lucky to have a core staff. After Covid we had to rebuild our team and while there have been changes along the way I am proud to say that 3 of our team members have just passed their year anniversaries. Natalie joined us in May of 2021 and has grown into our lead server. Hannah join the CYC team in June of 2021 and has become a stable force serving, bartending or even singing. Finally, Haley joined the team in August of 2021. Haley works at the club on weekends, and is a delight to work alongside. All three of these staff members have been great additions but we also need to recognize some of our longer tenured team

members as well. Kane 7 years 5 years Egan Caleb 2 years Jason 5 years Dan 12 years Michelle 12 years Susan 3 years Gerardo 7 years Jaimie 2 years Anna 2 years Letecia 2 years Marco 17 years Santi 5 years



Natalie, Hannah, Haley We would not be

able to be as successful without all of their contributions and we are lucky to have each and every one of them as part of our team.

Michael

Virginia

Mary











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For everyone's Safety

Please see the pool sign below. Remember there is no lifeguard on duty at the pool. Please remain vigilant and abide by these rules when enjoying the CYC pool.





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F18 World Championshps and Red Gear Racing Championshps

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These are high-performance beach catamarans that include youth thru Olympic Class Sailors. Racing can be seen via spectator boats or the beach. The boats land on the beach where public can meet the competitors face to face and see the boats up close. You can see all the details of these events on F18World2022.org and RedGearRacing.org You can sign up to volunteer for the types of things you like, such as on the water rescue, beach, help the competitors, arrival assistance, departure assistance.

PLEASE JOIN US AND SIGN UP TODAY!

https://www.f18world2022.org/volunteers-needed/



FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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