

THE MARK

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ABYC ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

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Come and Enjoy the Fun!!

Commodore's Comments

Lorna Tweedie

We are ready to sail in June, the sixth month of the year. It seems almost incredible that we are nearly at the halfway mark of 2010. But, so it is. And, so it is that June is the official start of hurricane season, as though we need reminding.

May was filled with sailing races, including the now famous Mullet Cup race to Dog Island. The event provided the basis for ABYC's monthly social replete with cheers and good natured jeers from well wishers. The food and fun were great!

May also saw adult sailing classes and the resurgence of the dinghy competitions as witnessed on Saturday, May 29th. Hurrah

for dinghies and those involved!

May 30th, Memorial Day, was first observed in the United States in 1868. It was known then as Decoration Day. This year, Memorial Day will be observed on Monday, May 31st.

June will offer more good ABYC experiences. Undoubtedly there will be more sailing, cruising, and races of whatever kind. The summer solstice is June 21st, so of course, we expect increasingly warmer temperatures.

To all members, please note the membership meeting on June 5th. Your presence is wanted and needed. The evening begins at 6 o'clock with conversation and refreshments. Bring a dish to share for the 7 o'clock meal. Then, we will have a short business meeting, and a program. This is a great time for sponsors of new members to exercise their commitment to helping newer folks become acquainted with others as well as with the functions of ABYC. Give them a call!

A highlight of June is the "return" of Dinner On the Docks social. It has always been a fun and exhilarating experience.

In view of the many gatherings

of ABYC folks, this seems a good time for members, longstanding and new alike, to review the "General Information and Club Rules" as found in the 2009 Membership Handbook and on the web site (www.abyonline.org). Good judgment and behavior are conducive to great camaraderie, promoting an enjoyable and inspiring time. While wittiness in conversations is great, buffoonery from those who have overly imbibed is not. ABYC is comprised of a great group of people who are dedicated to our success. Let's continue to be the best that we can be.

Be an active participant!

July Golf Cart Parade

Coming the first weekend in July is the Shell Point Golf Cart Parade. Last year, a donated cart was decorated and entered. The Wilhelms have agreed to let ABYC use their golf cart this year. We would like help in the decorating and/or a couple of more carts to enter. Interested? Call Lorna Tweedie at 926-8309.

MEETING NOTICE MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Saturday, June 5, 2010

1800 - Social Hour

1900 - Covered Dish

1945 - Meeting

2000 - Program - Ships In The Age Of Discovery

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Vice Commodore's Corner

Ivor Groves

There has been very active racing this spring with six races completed. The results are all in and we have a first place boat for the series. Congratulations to Don Reeder and crew on the Harmony 22, Wiki Wiki. Don participated in the most races and he also kept track of the results for the fleet. We appreciate his contributions and enthusiasm. See the full race results elsewhere in this Mark. Also thank you, Don, for working on Allegro to make it ready for someone to race in the fall series.

Unfortunately, the big news this month is the oil spill and the grave threat it poses to the Gulf coast. We are blessed with living in a unique and beautiful environment full of wildlife and beauty. I know everyone is deeply concerned about the potential injury or destruction that will be caused by oil coming ashore. Thanks to Sue Damon, Ron Piasecki, Jody Campbell, and everyone else who has worked to help implement plans to protect our fragile coastline. Now, we wait and see what happens.

Rear Commodore's Corner

Bob Sherrod

As always, if you notice something that needs repair, please let me know by calling 556-9108 or emailing

sherrod01@comcast.net.

Purser's Report

Maxine Glenn

A copy of the monthly financial statement is in the notebook in the Clubhouse. If you have any questions concerning your monthly bill, please contact me at:

mbg1215@netzero.net

Sr. Board Member Report - Program Information

Gene Nicoloso

Captain Dave Lear presented informative and interesting information on aspects of fishing along the Panhandle of Florida. When to fish, where to fish, and lures that work were part his presentation.

The June presentation by Ed Wisner will be on clipper ships and may include some video of a shipwreck in the Falkland Islands.

Jr. Board Member Report - Social Events Information

Darlene Oosterhof

The beginning of summer brings a variety of social activities to ABYC.

June brings the return of a wonderful social event that has been on the shelf a few years: **Dinner on the Docks!** This social involves gourmet dinners served onboard some of the nicest boats at Shell Point. The evening begins with hors d'oeuvres and ends with desserts, both at the clubhouse. Watch for details in an upcoming email.

Summer is not summer without the Fourth of July. At ABYC, this year's celebration includes a poolside cookout at the clubhouse followed by several boat owners offering rides just offshore at sunset to watch Shell Point's annual fireworks competition.

Our CIA's return May 29. As usual, great finger food and available drinks from the bar. Time is 6 pm to 7:30. Reservations are not needed for this end of the month event.

Hosting a CIA is both quite easy and enjoyable, and provides a great opportunity for informally bringing together ABYC folks at the clubhouse. Email or phone me for information or ideas related to hosting one of our later CIAs.

(926-8962 or e-mail
darlene.oosterhof@gmail.com).

Special thanks to Frank Hankins and John McBride for putting together the pre-Mullet Cup Regatta dinner May 21, not to mention the subsequent race to and from Dog Island!

Fresh sea breezes and moderated summer temperatures provide a great time to be at the coast!

Oil Slick Information

Web sites that show the existing and projected drift of the oil slick from the Deepwater Horizon well blow out can be found at the NOAA site:

deepwaterhorizon.noaa.gov/
as well as:

ocg6.marine.usf.edu/~liu/Drifters/latest_roms.htm
and

oilspill.fsu.edu/model_output/hycom_gfs.html

ABYC BOARD MEETING Summary Minutes

Please be aware that the minutes upon which this summary is based have not been approved by the Board. Every effort has been made to ensure accuracy, but errors may inadvertently be present.

The May meeting of the Board was called to order by Commodore Tweedie at 1530 on May 1, 2010 at Maxie Glenn's residence. Present were; Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Bob Sherrod, Maxie Glenn, Henry Depew, Gene Nicoloso, Darlene Oosterhof, and Carl Bjerregaard.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as printed.
Scribe – C. Henry Depew

Reported on the Directory and on the plans for the information for the membership to be available on the ABYC Web site.

Reported that the By-Laws amendments were posted on the Web site and noted that he would need to summarize the amendments at the May meeting.

Vice-Commodore – Ivor Groves

Reported that the PHRF race for today had been held with two participants. The next race will be on May 15. The participants in the current PHRF series will be billed by the Purser.

Brought up the need for the Board to decide priorities in terms of dockage of the ABYC owned boats. There was some discussion of this issue, but no resolution.

Noted that the Youth Sailing program will be postponed until this summer (July 10/11 and 17/18).

Rear Commodore – Bob Sherrod

Work is being done on the pool. Phil is keeping watch on the progress. Bob hopes to have the pool repaired by the middle of May.

The repair of the front steps is almost complete.

While the clubhouse is open for members to use, there is a developing problem of food left in the refrigerator and freezer after the weekend. A policy of cleaning out the refrigerator and freezer of all "non club items" the second Sunday of each month was discussed, but no decision made.

Purser – Maxie Glenn

One associate membership will become a regular membership shortly. Ned Campbell's request for membership has been posted in the clubhouse and it is time for a vote. Ned's application was accepted by the Board. Maxie will send him a directory with the rest of the new member packet.

The Purser's monthly summary report was accepted as printed.

Sr. Board – Gene Nicoloso

The program tonight is on fishing in the Florida Panhandle. He will be checking on next month's program next week.

Jr. Board – Darlene Oosterhof

The Mullet Regatta is this month's social. June's social is "Dinner on the Docks". There will not be a CIA in June.

Old Business:

There was some discussion about better advertising of the Club and its activities. One suggestion was to send information on general events to "Limelight" for publication.

New Business:

The club subscriptions to various boating magazines was discussed and it was decided to not renew any of the subscriptions as they come due.

A summer solstice sailing activity for Saturday, June 19, was discussed. For more information go to: www.summersailstice.com/

With the Smith Regatta completed, it is time for ABYC to re-

view what did and did not happen and get a list of suggestions to the organizers. Those on the Board, who were involved, were asked to get their comments to Jackie Wernkli, ABYC's representative, soon.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1700.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Henry Depew, Scribe

May Monthly Meeting

The monthly membership meeting on May 1, 2010 was called to order by Commodore Lorna Tweedie at 1954 in the clubhouse with about 24 members and guests present.

Our new member, Ned Campbell, was introduced.

Copies of the directory portion of the Handbook were distributed to those present.

Members were informed that all non-directory information will be available on the Web site as soon as Henry can get the information up-loaded.

Marc Lipsius noted that his phone number needed a '850' in front of it for the number to connect.

As chair of the By-Laws Committee, Henry Depew reviewed the proposed amendments to the By-Laws that were sent to all members and are available on the web.

The pool is under repair and Phil is tracking the activity.

Maxie Glenn, Purser, noted that a copy of the financial statement is in the notebook.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1700. And an informative and enjoyable program by Capt. Dave

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Lear was presented on saltwater fishing along the Florida Panhandle.

Respectfully submitted,
C. Henry Depew, Scribe

Notes And Hints From Near And Far

C. Henry Depew

Risk of capsizing is not one of most members' concerns. If you have wondered about such an event with your boat, there is a simplified formula for a complex issue that goes - multiply the maximum beam in feet by 4 and divide the result by the cube root of the gross weight in pounds. If the result is less than 2, not bad. More than 2, there is a greater risk of capsizing in rough conditions.

While the formula is of interest, I am not so sure of the results after I ran the formula against our Sisu 26 and my MORC certificate information and found the following:

Sisu 26	2.0094
Harmony 22	2.637
J/30	2.3257
M/27	1.999
J/24	2.3839
C&C 25	2.045
Pierson 30	1.855
Pierson 26	1.9845

Very little has been written about the "Slocum Glider" that finished a trans-Atlantic voyage for Rutgers University. The *Scarlet Knight* (RU-27) does not have a motor. Thus it took 221 days to go from New Jersey to Spain.

Scuttlebutt

Marcia Bjerregaard

Does anyone have a spinnaker our 'darling daughter' can remake into a shower curtain? 926-7835

Thanks to Frank H, Marc L, and Carl B for running the adult sailing class. The students even started the PHRF race.

If you have a tidbit for this column, call 926-7835 or write to cbjerreg@mail.fsu.edu

Use the same number and address to let us know if you have accumulated enough for ABYC to hold another nautical flea market.

On another note:

HOUSECLEANING AND ODD JOBS

College student offers reasonable rates for house/boat cleaning, yardwork, babysitting, etc., in Tallahassee and/or Shell Point. References on request. Call Shannon at 203-430-5047 or e-mail - shannon.kiley@yahoo.com

And -

Motion sickness pills just off the plane from England. Two boxes left @ \$5 each. Call 926-7835.

Boating Emergency Numbers

CG PC	850/234-4228
CG Yankeetown	352/447-6900
CGA St. Marks	850/906-0540
	or 893-5137
CGA Shell Pt	850/926-2606

Membership Applications

The 2010 applications for membership are now at the club and on the web site

Amendments

C. Henry Depew, Parliamentarian

By-Law Amendments

The recommendations of the Committee were attached to the May issue of *THE MARK*, attached to this issue, and a copy of the proposed amendments is posted on the ABYC web site. The vote will be at the June meeting.

Every voting membership will receive an electronic ballot that can be cast, if they will be unable to attend the June monthly membership meeting. If you have proposed amendments to the proposed amendments, kindly give them to me in writing prior to the June meeting.

Mullet Cup Report

Frank Hankins

The 5th annual Mullet Cup Regatta with Friday evening fish fry, race to Dog Island, raft-up party, and Sunday BBQ awards supper turned out as varied and zany as seems to be the norm every year. About 45 racers, members, and guests enjoyed Ed Fries' fried mullet, with all the trimmings including Marcia's famous cheese grits, on a perfect weather evening under the clubhouse. All nine boats entered showed up for the early start on Saturday and, with excellent conditions, all arrived safely for the raft-up at a cove on the west end of Dog Island, and all 27 participants crowded onto one boat for much of the party, putting its waterline well under. With an even earlier start on Sunday, racers stayed on the bay side of the island, motoring to a start at the east end. Alas, after an hour or two, the wind died, forcing the eventual cancellation of the Sunday race. All boats eventually made it back

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to Shell Pt., but with an assortment of events including groundings, towings (no gas and no wind), a fair amount of sunburn, and much liquid consumed.

Most racers made the Sunday BBQ where awards were presented to the winners of each fleet. Winning the PHRF cup and winch handle by mere seconds, after 35 miles of sailing, was John Hamilton with crew Jeff Mueller. Don Reeder was John's victim in second, with Carl Bjerregard and Michael Getman close behind for 3rd and 4th. In the cruising fleet, Ed Fries with crew Helen Stewart edged out Bob and Rita Sherrod for the Cup and winch handle, with Ryan Duggins and crew and the Werndl's 3rd and 4th. Frank and Pat Hankins retained the Multihull Cup by default as the only entrants. Many thanks to our Sponsors (Harken, Sailing Anarchy, and West Marine) who provided an assortment of prizes, to the Harris's as Chefs, Joeann for bartending, and all who made this, once again, a memorable and fun event.

BOAT US Membership

ABYC is a current member of Boat US and as such, ABYC members receive a 50% discount on membership in BoatUS. Our group ID number is GA81150Y. This number should be given to customer service when you apply for membership. (Membership applications are available on the bookshelf in the clubhouse.)

**BECOME INVOLVED IN
YOUR YACHT CLUB
VOLUNTEER TO SERVE
ON A COMMITTEE
NOW**

PHRF Report

Don Reeder

The wind for the race on April 24 was fairly constant, if a bit strong, for the day. The results were:

Hiayako	3
Harmony	2
Freelance	6
Staccatto	DNF
Adios	DNS
Wakin S29	DNS
Beloved	4
Wiki Wiki	1
Sunset Seeker	5
Anticipation	7

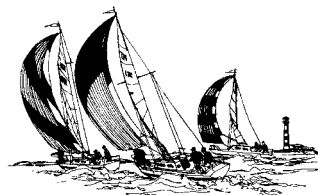
The wind for the race on May 15 was steady and five (5) boats showed on the start line. The results were:

Hiayako	4
Harmony	3
Freelance	DNS
Staccatto	DNS
Adios	2
Wakin S29	DNS
Beloved	5
Wiki Wiki	1

A makeup race was scheduled for June 12, but no races were missed so the final standings for the series are.

Hiayako	2
Harmony	3
Freelance	6
Staccatto	7
Adios	4
Wakin S29	8
Beloved	5
Wiki Wiki	1

See you-all in the Fall!



Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta - April 23-25, 2010

Henry Depew

According to early reports, this year's Smith Regatta had a little over 200 registrants, sold 231 dinners for Saturday night and raised about \$16,000 for the American Cancer Society. The golf cart parade was a big success and will probably be in next year's planning. Perhaps by next year either the ramp in the basin will be open or someone will have a key to the lock so more trailer sailors can be involved in the events.

The race results for the PHRF non-spinnaker fleet is noted in Don's column. The Multi-hull fleet had four (4) registrants, three (3) starters, and one (1) finisher - Frank Hankins' *Zephyros*. The Cruiser fleet had four (4) registrants, three (3) starters, and all starters finished. The results were:

<i>Zach</i> - Ed Fries	1
<i>Dr. Wakins</i> - Ryan Duggins	2
<i>Cerra</i> - Richard Rowland	3

Summer Sailstice Event

ABYC is planning a Sailstice event for Saturday, June 19. Details will be forthcoming. Please contact Bob Sherrod (556-9108 or sherrod01@comcast.net) for further information or to volunteer to help put this event together.

Editor's Address Change

Please note that the 911 people have changed your editor's mailing/street address to:
3316 Lakeshore Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32312

ABYC UPCOMING EVENTS - 2010

June

- June 05: Board Meeting - Maxie Glenn's - 3:30 to 5:30 pm
Membership Meeting - Social - 6:00 pm-
By-Laws Amendments Vote
Program on clipper ships
- June 19: Sailstice Event
- June 26: PHRF (alt. day)
Dinner-on-the-Docks Social - Clubhouse - 6:00 pm-
No Changes in Attitude Social

July

- July 04: Shell Point Activities & ABYC Party
- July 10: Youth Sailing
Board Meeting - 3:30 to 5:30 pm
Membership Meeting - Social - 6:00 pm -
- July 17: Youth Sailing
- July 24: Scalloping Fling
- July 31: Changes in Attitude Social, 6 to 7:30 pm



**ABYC PHONE NUMBER
850/926-7775**

NOTE: The above calendar is valid as of the print date. For up-dates/changes consult the Expanded Calendar at ABYC's web site (ABYOnline.org).

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