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Notes of Significance

(from here & there about this & that)

by: Editor, Afterdeck News

Thank you, Pat Nualty for the **OPPORTUNITY** to feature your piece in the special edition of our Afterdeck News. You have certainly made us aware of the many **Opportunities** available to us as members of this once great organization.

Pat's piece is featured on the facing page.

Belize Catamaran Charter in April 2022 -> a group from our Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron led by Captain Stephan O'Brien had chartered and paid for a catamaran trip to the British Virgin Islands. Golly that trip was for a year back April in 2000.

Steve has now booked that charter for Belize as they are much less restrictive with respect to travel. This writer has been there. It is a great place to sail, has great snorkel spots, wind favorable east winds making sail both north & south along the coast easy.

The bottom line to this message is that there are 2 berths open should anyone like to join with us on this venture. So far 3 live folks have asked to fill the 2 spots. Therefore we are seeking a 2nd vessel should there be sufficient interest. Please contact us if you are interested and watch this Afterdeck News for updates next month.

For those who prefer to be cruised rather than learn to sail a Catamaran for themselves, the ENSIGN sez, "Still Room! Sail With Us in February 2022"

The beautiful Holland America Rotterdam will depart from Fort Lauderdale and sail to Grand Turk, San Juan, St. Thomas, and Half Moon Cay from Feb. 27 through March 6. For additional details, please email me or call 727-403-0406. Email: Dawn Eckhart | Read more: https://www.usps.org/images/Exec/Nat_Meetings/2021VAM/2022_ABC_cruise-Have_it_All.docx.pdf

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Today's professional forecasts are better than ever thanks to improved supercomputers, satellites, and communications. If you took the America's Boating Club Weather course before Weather 2021 was released last summer, the course would not yet have included these improvements. America's Boating Club's newest seminar, [Cont. Pg 8]

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OPPORTUNITY



MEMBERSHIP IN THE SQUADRON

Pat Naulty, Chairman of Membership



What does membership in America's Boating Club of Palm Beach mean to you? To me it means OPPORTUNITY.

Why did we join in the first place?

Of course it was our desire to meet people with the same interest and love of boating and the water.

It was an OPPORTUNITY to learn new knowledge and skills, or be of service to the community, i.e. teaching members and the general public, boating safety, rules of the waterways, etiquette on the water, and how to use our boats (if we had one) and share our boating experience with members who do not own a boat; for social outings and camaraderie, (whether single or a couple) to have fun on and off the water; to make new friends and nurture the old friends; to get involved in the organization and grow and use our expertise, experience and knowledge on a more local and national level.

It is our OPPORTUNITY. Like everything else in this life, it is up to you and I to take advantage of the OPPORTUNITY we signed up for when we joined the Power Squadron.

Let's all (new & old members) get together on Tuesday, 22 February 2022,

1900 at headquarters, 1125 Old Dixie Highway #1, Lake Park, for pizza and wings, hear right from our own bridge members how we can get involved boating wise or social, answer any questions or suggestions you may have, and know with this new participation and enthusiasm, we can become more involved with an organization that can make a difference in our lives and other lives who love boating and being in, on or near the water.

PLEASE RSVP TO PAT 732-741-9360 BY 20 FEBRUARY SO WE DON'T RUN OUT OF PIZZA OR WINGS.

See you at HQ on the 22nd! :-)

Pat

PS: BRING A FRIEND TO OUR NEXT MEETING ON 8 MARCH, AT 1800 AT THE TWISTED TUNA, 353 SO. FEDERAL HIGHWAY, JUPITER, (JUST 1/4 MILE SOUTH OF INDIANTOWN ROAD, EAST SIDE). This is our Squadron's Annual Meeting for the election and installation (Change of Watch) of our Bridge Officers for 2022. PN

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Robert Flucke	\$ 200	Mar, '21	\$ 1,000
Bill Eldridge	\$ 100	Mar '21	\$ 2,800
Darryl Aubrey	\$ 100	Apr, '21	\$ 1,900
Ray Rutkowski	\$ 200	Apr '21	\$ 800
Stephen Livoditis	\$ 400	Jun '21	\$ 400
Barbara Roemmele	\$ 100	Nov '21	\$ 1,600
Calvin Cearley	\$ 250	Nov '21	\$ 2,669
Ken peters	\$ 102	Dec '21	\$ 552
Nancy Sweeney	\$ 100	Ded '21	\$ 1,600
Myra Hoffstein	\$ 100	Dec '20	\$ 2,800
Arlene Widemayer	\$ 115	Nov '21	\$ 6,798

* In memory of Ken and Abby MacPherson

** In memory of Kathy Eldridge

GOLF is hard to understand.
Pam won but Arlene hit the ball
so very many more times
than any of the others?



GOLF is VERY hard to understand.
There really are SHARKS out there!





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Special Attention / Educational / Civic / Fellowship

FEBRUARY 2022

1 February - Board Meeting - Headquarters- 1900

7 February - Mischief Monday -Hong Kong Wok and Grill, Jupiter -1730

8 February - General Dinner Meeting - Twisted Tuna- 1800 cocktails, 1900 Dinner, 1900

10 February - Lunch Bunch - The Draft House- 1130

14 February - Mischief Monday and Valentine's Day- Coola Fish Bar- Legacy Place- 1730

17 February - Lunch Bunch- The Draft House - 1130

21February -- Mischief Monday- Juno Beach Fish House- 1730

22 February—**OPPORTUNITY MEETING** 1900 at HQ (Pizza & Wings) - All Hands Welcome!

24 February - Lunch Bunch- The Draft House - 1130

28 February - Mischief Monday- 1730 Grande's Donald Ross Rd

MARCH 2022

1 March - Board Meeting - Headquarters- 1900

10 March - Lunch Bunch - The Draft House- 1130

14 March - Mischief Monday - Cool a Fish Bar - Legacy Place- 1730

17 March - Lunch Bunch- The Draft House - 1130

21 March - Mischief Monday — Grande's - 1730

24 March - Lunch Bunch- The Draft House- 1130

28 March - Mischief Monday - Hong Kong Wok and Grill- Jupiter -1730

8 March - Change of Watch and Dinner Meeting - Twisted Tuna 1800 cocktails, 1900 Dinner. 2000 Election and Change of Watch

10 March - Lunch Bunch - The Draft House- 1130

14 March - Mischief Monday - Cool a Fish Bar - Legacy Place- 1730

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28 March - Mischief Monday - Hong Kong Wok and Grill- Jupiter -1730

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30 March Casino Adventure- Hard Rock- 1000 at NPB return by bus 1600

31 March - Lunch Bunch - The Draft House - 1130

At 1000 on Wednesday 30 March 2022, we will meet at the North Palm Beach Police Station to board a bus that will take us to our fun destination by 1100. Please share your ride to the meeting spot as space is limited. We will board the bus at the Casino at 1500 for our return.

The price is \$40.00 per person for 20 folks or \$25 if we have 34 folks; so invite your friends, neighbors to join our ashore raft-ups. A deposit of \$20. is needed by 16 March to reserve your place.

There are fine places to eat along with shopping plus I have an inkling that there just may be a place to gamble.

[RSVP to Tom and Colleen Grigg 518-273-2179](tel:518-273-2179)



OPPORTUNITY

One of our local towns mails out a useful paper quarterly to each resident household with a useful report of happenings in the town council, a police department report, and recreational plus educational events.

The Town of Jupiter includes their CONNECTION with the water bill each quarter.

TOWN OF JUPITER CONNECTION PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES
200 Military Trail, Jupiter, FL 33458

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STAY CONNECTED

Town of Jupiter

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listed here?

Would it just be great to see
Americas Boating Course
listed here?

[from Page 2] Modern Weather Forecasting, will bring you up to date on the new forecasting tools. It will explain the advances and teach you how to access and interpret forecasts. Modern Weather Forecasting will be available online starting Dec. 2. Email: Eileen Rickard; More: <https://usponline.lmscheckout.com/Course/view/modern-weather-forecasting---seminar-1>

This December issue of Afterdeck News is my last as your editor. It brings to an end a 2 year tour of duty. A few of my thoughts/comments at this juncture:

- ♦ I took over from Laura Zavalia who after her 2 year tour as editor relieved Bill Eldridge.
 - ♦ Neither she or I did as great a job with appearance as did Bill but we both tried.

OPPORTUNITY

- ♦ Laura is to be credited with teaching me the ropes of Microsoft Publisher. Now I am willing and ready to pass on this info to my replacement or anyone else who would like to learn. This can be accomplished either live or virtual utilizing GoToMeeting.
- ♦ During my tour I:
 - ♦ Replaced the 12 hour time format with the 24 hour type (either military or civilian) as the 24 hour format is standard among those to fly aircraft or go to sea for their logs, data, and navigation. **Should I choose to do another Afterdeck News, input will not be accepted unless times are in the 24-hour format.**
 - ♦ Used both the A-size (8.5" x 11") & the B-size (11" x 17") formats. The A-size was successful and uses slightly less paper and ink. It was found to be of no great cost difference.
 - ♦ Now use small (9" x 6") envelopes for delivery as this means less detailed folding and taping with the result of more successful delivery as our deteriorating Postal Service destroys less copies.

**Thanks to Tom & Colleen Griggs,
Palm Beach Sail & Power Squadron Activities Coordinators
for our raft-ups, rendezvous, picnics,
and field trips.**

Here are their next offerings. Please let's give them our support by signing on soon so we have a good head count.

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Monthly Bridge Meeting

The Board of Directors has a monthly meeting the first Tuesday of every month. It is held at 1900 at headquarters at 1125 Old Dixie Hwy #1 in Lake Park. We call it the Bridge Meeting but more importantly it is open to all the members to attend. By attending you can see what is really going on in our organization. No RSVP required and no \$ or pressure!

LIVE and ONLINE

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Picnic at Dubois Park on Jupiter

At 1100 on Saturday 5 March 2022, we will meet at the Park on the inlet for a burger, dog, & whatever you may choose to add to our lunch.

[RSVP to Tom and Colleen Grigg 518-273-2179](mailto:TomandColleenGrigg@518-273-2179)

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Day Trip to Hard Rock Casino

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Calling All Ships & Hands!

At a TBD date this Spring, a raft-up is planned for Dry Tortugas with a visit to historic Fort Jefferson National Park. There will be stops enroute at Ft Lauderdale, Hurricane Hole at the south end of Key Biscayne, Marathon, and Key West.

We plan to team with Castaways Sailing Club & other USPS Squadrons for this cruise. *Callisto* is now seeking her crew for all or a part of this trip. Her needs include all levels of talent from just a plain guest to experienced boaters & sailors.

Comment on our last Dubois Picnic

At our last (pre-china covid) picnic at Dubois Park, we certainly enjoyed both the fellowship and the great food.



Join with us on our trip to Ft Jefferson National Park on Dry Tortugas as a guest, experienced or semiexperienced crew in power or sail, or with your own vessel.



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We ALL have Problems, Issues, & Challenges; now lets us together tun them into **OP-PORTUNITIES!**

Here is a challenge—pictured at the left is a snag from our PB-sps.org website. The right snag is the same but from another squadron, specifically the Banana River Sail & Power Squadron.

Neither group has the personnel resources to host their Newsletter. Hence, both no longer have a full time editor.

We have a funding Issue. Continuing as we now spend, we will soon be eating our seed corn. As I see it:

- We must charge more in either (or both) membership fees or for our educational offerings; my preference is user fees. **What is yours?**
- Our General Membership Meeting fees are too expensive especially since we no longer have interesting programs in the maritime/boating oriented areas. At our recents General Membership Meeting attended by a majority of older folks, while the food was OK the size of portions was too much. My suggestion is to utilize our own HQ for nominal General Membership Meetings with pizza, wings, & the like for our meal. Major meeting with a good speaker could be held at the so called "better" venues. **What are your ideas?**
- Perhaps we should (or Must) utilize a TIP Jar at our events. **What are your feelings on this item?**

How many missed the **OPPORTUNITY** to see a real live highwayman in action?
 A couple of us didn't!





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AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB
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General Membership Meeting {Change of Watch Ceremony} Election of Bridge & Installation of Officers

8 March 2022
1800 Hours

Salad: Caesar

Dinner entrees- choice of one
Chicken Francaise
Prime Rib
Atlantic Salmon

All entrees served with Mixed Vegetables and red bliss potatoes

Homemade rolls and butter provided

Desert: Fruit or Chocolate Cake

Drinks: Coffee, Hot Tea, Iced Tea and sodas included

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1800 Cocktails, 1900 Dinner, 2000 General Membership Meeting

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R.S.V.R to Arlene Widmayer 561 -627-2650

