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#### **JOIN US FOR OUR 66TH CHANGE OF WATCH ON OCT 16!!**

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# OCTOBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING will be 66th Change of Watch

Saturday, October 16, 2012 See Page 3 for more Information

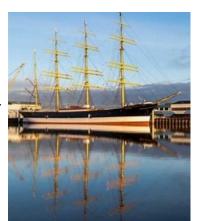
#### NOVEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Monday, November 15, 2021 KELLY'S BURGERS & BEER

Order off menu at 6:30 pm Program at 7:30-8:30 pm

"Tall Ship Peking"
Video presented by Ernst Hofmann

Peking was launched in 1911 at Hamburg, Germany by the Blohm & Voss shipyard. She was owned by the F. Laeisz Company of that port, who used her to carry fuel and manufactured goods to the West Coast of South America, around Cape Horn, and return to European ports with nitrate mined in northern Chile. With her fourmasted barque rig, steel hull and masts, and mid-ship bridge deck, Peking represents the final generation of sailing ships built for world trade.



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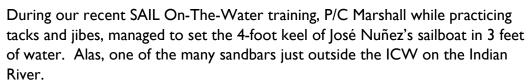
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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE COMMANDER: Cdr Jim Merker, AP

### The Lost Art of Kedging Off...

When was the last time you utilized the skill of kedging? Do you have any idea what it means or what it is used for?





Onboard were SEO Ernst Hofmann, Wally Jones, Adam Smith, Capt Nuñez and Shari Marshall. Immediately upon hearing the "thud," it was apparent the boat was aground. José explained that the keel also has a fluked bottom which aids in stability but also digs into the sandy bottom. Immediately, sails were trimmed, engine started, and direction ascertained as to best angle to get off the sand bar. Weight was distributed to leeward to help the keel break loose. After several attempts, no luck.

Now, problem solving took over. SEO Hofmann suggested it was time to learn and practice "kedging off." The classic use for a kedge anchor is to **winch yourself off** when you've run aground. In this situation you load the kedge and rode into your dinghy and drop the anchor in deep water—which is usually found in the direction you've come from—take the rode to a sheet winch and grind furiously until you (hopefully) come unstuck. We had no dinghy.

In a real pinch, don't be afraid to take to the water. Buoy the anchor with a bunch of fenders or life ring, put on a lifejacket, don your mask, fins and snorkel, and swim the anchor out against the elements. We knew we were about 30-40 feet from deeper water, and the depth sounder said we were at 3 feet, so walking in the water was a definite option.

Capt Nuñez donned a type 3 PFD, supported the anchor on a life ring and proceeded to walk the anchor to deeper water. However the anchor was shackled to 50 feet of chain which immediately set on the bottom and was impossible to advance. On the next attempt, the anchor chain was paid out slowly as José walked to deeper water. At about 50 feet, he set the anchor, the bitter end of the anchor rode was wound on the winch, and between the winch and 3 men pulling on the rode, the boat broke free.

We continued our training for the rest of the afternoon. First lesson was to watch the chart and stay in deeper water. Also a very useful tool/skill was learned in case you go aground: kedging off.







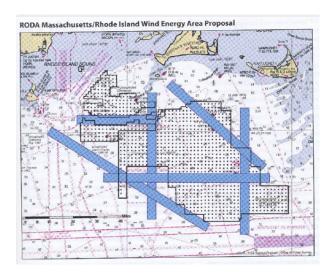
#### FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BY SEO P/D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN

# **OFFSHORE WIND GENERATION: Plans and Challenges**

Often, we read about offshore wind generation and wonder why we have so few installations. The short answer is complicated regulations governing federal waters. However, the challenges associated with securing the necessary federal permits can be summarized with just one word: uncertainty, because of the many agencies involved in the permitting process. Compounding these challenges is the uncertainty surrounding the Coast Guard's actions regarding navigation safety, its search and rescue program and developing the proper standards and procedures for navigation across and within windfarms. Encouragingly, there are development plans in various stages in VA, NC, NJ, DE and MD involving state waters. On the other side, Europe has nearly 100 utility scale offshore wind farms powered by more than 5,000 offshore wind turbines, many of which have been in operation for decades.

The reluctance of the US government to issue permits authorizing wind farms in federal waters is about to change. Ørsted, the Danish multi-national power company, is the world leader in offshore wind development, operating 26 wind farms with more than 1,500 turbines generating power around the globe. In the US Ørsted owns and operates the five-tower 30 MW Block Island wind farm in Rhode Island state waters and has power purchase agreements in place to build and operate five utility-scale facilities with their combined nameplate capacity of nearly 3,000 MW. Ørsted has over 600,000 acres or more than 900 square miles of Atlantic Coast Outer Continental Shelf currently under lease from the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management.

The Block Island wind farm has been in operation since 2016 and is now the primary source of electricity for the island while also providing surplus power to mainland Rhode Island via subsea power cable. The northeastern US is perfectly positioned for offshore wind on the outer continental shelf. Offshore wind speeds tend to be faster than on land and a small increase in wind speed yields large increases in energy production. In a 15-`12mph wind, a turbine can generate 56% more energy as a turbine in a 12-mph wind. A steady supply of wind also means a more reliable source of energy.



#### FROM THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT BY SEO P/D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN

#### Continued:

Navigation safety within wind farms is of paramount importance and represents another challenge. Case in point is the Massachusetts / Rhode Island Wind Energy area, which is an irregularly shaped polygon of about 1,400 square miles south of Massachusetts Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket Island. This area contains 8 leases issued to 24 separate developers, with each area immediately adjacent to the other. The stakeholders quickly realized that if each lease area had a different array layout pattern in turbine spacing, this area might resemble an obstacle course for mariners transiting through or within the farms. The notion of navigation transit lines was introduced by the Coast Guard in 2018. The idea was that if transit lanes were established for the safety and expediency of commercial vessels and the commercial fishing fleet, then developers would have more flexibility in the layouts of turbine towers and lines of orientation.

A commercial fishing industry advocacy group proposed six 4-mile-wide transit lanes (see NOAA graphic). A study by the Coast Guard concluded that the navigation safety would be preserved, as would the Coast Guard's ability to conduct search and rescue, in a uniform grid layout of one nautical mile by one nautical mile with three lines of orientation.

A bright spot is the passage of the 2021 National Defense Authorization Act, which authorizes the Coast Guard to establish safety zones beyond the US territorial sea and activities related to offshore wind power generation along with calls for modernizing aids to navigation and marine information systems, bringing the U.S. one step closer to breaking the permitting deadlock.



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#### FROM THE SQUADRON MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN; P/D/C/Bob Becker, SN

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Fall has arrived and we here in Florida are about to enter into some of the best boating weather of the year. Our northern boating friends are starting to make plans for taking their boats out of the water and winterizing them or building frames for canvas covers to keep the snow off the boat. Thankfully we don't have that problem down here.



Yet as I pass the Patrick Space Force Base boat storage area off the Pineda Cswy, one would think our boaters have their boats in storage for the winter. None of the many boats stored there ever see the water. Even those in the water never seem to leave the dock. We are blessed with our wonderful Florida boating weather but few take advantage of it.

Kind of like our power squadron membership, there are a good number of members who do not take advantage of what is offered through membership. Over the years ABC-SB (BRSPS) has offered to its members some of the best and up-to-date marine educational courses. Yet few sign up. If you don't have a boat or don't use your boat, why not look over the courses offered and sign up for one or two over the fall and winter season? Contact our Educational Officer, Ernst Hofmann, who will be glad to give you information about the courses offered.

As a member, do you have any ideas about how we can improve our organization. Your bridge officers are always looking for new ideas. The list of our Bridge officers can be found in the back of this newsletter. Just give them a call or send them an email with your ideas and suggestions. Remember it's YOUR club and we want to make it the best for YOU.

I still get a kick out of watching the "dumb," uneducated boaters who use the launching facilities down in north Miami at the 69<sup>th</sup> street launch ramps as seen on YouTube. If only they would take a boating course and eliminate their embarrassment.

Enjoy the fall season and get out on the water. Strongly consider taking one of the USPS educational courses ABC-SB will offer. It is time very well spent!



## AMERICA'S B@ATING CLUB SOUTH BREVARD

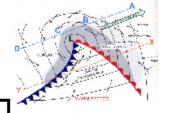
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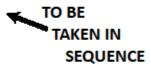


#### BASIC BOATING (ABC3)

November 20, 2021 Jr BASIC BOATING (11-17 yrs) BOAT HANDLING (Repl. Seamanship)



MARINE NAVIGATION (was P) ADVANCED MARINE NAVIGATION OFFSHORE NAVIGATION CELESTIAL NAVIGATION





#### FLARE UP

November 13, 2021

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## ABC3: America's Boating Course On-The-Water Session September 12

After all the preparation, this OTW turned into a short session. But the proverbial silver lining is that the students learned that outboards are fickle, and they now know how to request a tow while on the water.

This is the second outboard failure that the Aug ABC3 class experienced, the first one happened a couple of weeks ago when Jim Merker's outboard failed (true to Murphy's law: seldom does only one thing go wrong). Today, our backup boat and motor failed us. We are regrouping until the end of September when Jim's new lower unit comes in and is tested.

Students who joined Cdr Jim Merker at the Eau Gallie Boat Ramp included (L to R) Scott Cerasale, Carrie Shea, Kathy Tucker-Fadul and Tom Fadul.









After returning to the dock, time was well spent working on cleating lines and boat ramp etiquette.

## **SAIL On-The-Water Training**

## Friday, Sept 24 Mile Marker 9 on the Indian River





Wally Jones, Adam Smith, Ernst Hofmann, and Shari Marshall were invited by José Nuñez, a former ABC-SB member and member of Melbourne Yacht Club, to spend 2-3 hours on his sailboat practicing the skills learned in the recent 8-week SAIL course.

Capt Nuñez began the session with an overview of his 31 foot Catalina, safety issues, wearing PFDs, and how to read the navionics.

Hoisting sails (roller reefing), tacking and jibing under fair winds, and as described on page4 kedging off were practiced by each student.

Only being on the water can teach the true effect of wind in the sails, point of sail, and techniques to get from point A to point B.

It was a very informative and enjoyable experience.





Pictures by Ernst Hofmann

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At Satellite Beach Recreation Center

1089 S Patrick Dr. Satellite Beach, FL 32937

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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE SECRETARY: LT/C STEPHANIE MURPHY, P

## AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB – SOUTH BREVARD ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES

(BANANA RIVER SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON)

**DATE:** Sept 20, 2021

LOCATION: Kelly's Burger & Beer, Melbourne, F

#### **Exec Board Attending**

Cdr Jim Merker, AP; P/D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN; Lt Wally Jones, S; P/C Shari Marshall, AP; Lt/C Stephanie Murphy, P

#### **Exec Board Absent**

P/D/C Robert Becker, SN; Lt/C Monika Bradley, S

#### **Members & Guests**

Joe Valdestri, Jerry Downey

The meeting was called to order at **1930** by Cdr Merker. A quorum was present. Pledge was led by Commander Merker.

Slate of Officers was presented for Nov 2021 – Oct

2022

Commander: James Merker, AP Treasurer: Monika Bradley, S Secretary: Stephanie Murphy, P

SEO: Ernst Hofmann, JN Ex-Officio: Shari Marshall, AP

Board Members: Robert Becker, SN Wally Jones, S

There were no nominations from the floor.

Motion made by Shari Marshall and seconded by Ernst Hofmann to accept the Slate of Officers. The motion passed by Acclamation.

The program for the evening was presented. A video "Attack on Admiral Yamamoto," presented by Ernst Hofmann, covered the life of Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto, head of the Imperial Japanese Navy and commander-in-chief of the Combined Fleet. Isoroku had a tough childhood. Born the seventh son into a samurai family, he was named "56" the age of his

father at his birth. At age 30, he was orphaned and was adopted by the Yamamoto family, who had no sons, a tradition in the samurai culture.

He graduated from the Japanese Naval Academy, was in various wars, studied at Harvard and was posted to Washington, DC in the diplomatic core. He spoke fluent English from his



Harvard period, and diplomatic posts in Washington, DC and London. He was a strong proponent of naval aviation. He was a strong advocate of peace and using negotiation instead of war. But when Japan declared war on the Allies in WWII, Admiral Yamamoto followed his Emperor's command and planned full fledged attacks on Japan's enemies, including the United States. He developed very rigid view, one of which was being prompt and ontime for every single appointment made for him. When the US Naval Intelligence Center in Hawaii intercepted communications that Yamamoto was traveling thru islands in the Pacific on an inspection tour listing specific dates and times, the Navy planners knew he would be on-time and knew where he would be and when on every stop of his itinerary. This allowed the Navy, led by Admiral Chester Nimitz, to plan an attack. 339<sup>th</sup> Squadron Commander Major John W. Mitchell used dead reckoning with only a compass and his wrist watch, devised a route to fly at low altitude (75 feet above the ocean) and radio silence with multiple turns, with the group of sixteen P-38's playing follow the leader the entire route to intercept and shoot down the Admiral's plane. 1Lt Theodore Barber and Cpt Thomas George Lanphier, Jr. were successful on April 18, 1943. The death of Admiral Yamamoto was a major blow to the Japanese and helped the Allies win the War in the Pacific.

Commander Merker covered upcoming educational and social activities.

- Marine Navigation starting Thursday 23
   Sept (Jerry signed up at the meeting)
- 2. Change of Watch Oct 16
- 3. Satellite Beach Founders' Day Event (Steph will get info) Nov 6

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- 4. Flare-Up Nov 13 followed up by a Social Luncheon at Charlie & Jake's Beachside BBQ
- 5. Nov General Meeting, Presentation Video "Tall Ship Peking"
- 6. ABC3 Nov 20
- 7. Social Luncheon Dec 6
- 8. Boat Parade Saturday Dec 18
- 9. Holiday Dinner Dec 20

The meeting was adjourned at 2045.

Next Executive Committee meeting will be at 7:00pm on Oct 12, 2021 via GoToMeeting, and our next General Meeting is our Change of Watch on Oct. 16, 2021.

Submitted by Stephanie Murphy, ABC-SB Secretary Sept 21, 2021

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SEO Ernst Hofmann moderated the video showing the American military operation to kill Japanese Admiral Isoroku Yamamoto using dead reckoning in 1943.



Dinner at Kelly's before Annual Business Meeting and above presentation.

## End of Euroicane Season LUNCE BUNCE

**WHEN:** Saturday, November 13

Noon—?

WHERE: Charlie & Jake's Beachside BBQ

490 E. Eau Gallie Blvd Indian Harbour Beach

Meet for lunch after the FLARE-UP

**Just JOIN US** 





ABC-SB Members who have a October Birthday

Ed LeCun

Joe Walden

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## AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB – SOUTH BREVARD EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

(BANANA RIVER SAIL AND POWER SQUADRON)

**DATE:** Sept 14, 2021

**LOCATION:** Via GoToMeeting online

#### **Exec Board Attending**

Cdr Jim Merker, AP; P/D/Lt/C Ernst Hofmann, JN; Lt Wally Jones, S; P/C Shari Marshall, AP; Lt/C Stephanie Murphy, P

#### **Exec Board Absent**

P/D/C Robert Becker, SN; Lt/C Monika Bradley, S (report via email)

The meeting was called to order at **1901** by Cdr Merker. A quorum was present. Motion made by Shari Marshall and seconded by Ernst Hofmann to accept the Aug 10, 2021 meeting minutes; passed.

#### Commander's Report:

**USPS** 

New VSC forms and stickers were received from National and distributed to VSC's who are going to setup examinations with several marinas.

#### D23

District 23's picnic was held August 28<sup>th</sup>; 10 a.m. – 4pm at Bing's Landing, 5862 N Ocean Shore Blvd, Palm Coast, FL 32137. Cdr Merker attended and donated two gift baskets created by Shari Marshall & Stephanie Murphy. The one with the Lady Bea figurehead had many bids.

Cdr Merker completed the Instructor Development course for the Gainesville SPS. All paperwork has been submitted to USPS for processing. No word yet from National.

#### Secretary's Report

BRSPS has **34** active members and 1 associate member. Motion was made (Stephanie Murphy) and seconded (Ernst Hofmann) and unanimously passed *via email* to accept new members Danielle Albright and Joseph Walden.

Social lunches are planned for November 13<sup>th</sup> after the FlareUp at Charlie & Jake's Beachside BBQ.

Program for the September 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will be Attack on Admiral Yakamoto Using Dead Reckoning, a historical video that Ernst Hofmann will introduce.

The Change of Watch in October will again be held at the Bradley's (1799 Freedom Dr., Melbourne 32940).

Program for the November meeting will be Tall Ship Peking, about a sailing ship tackling Cape Horn, a historical video that Ernst Hofmann will

A location for the Holiday Party is still being determined.

#### Treasurer's Report:

The Checking account balance was given.

#### **SEO Report:**

introduce.

The Sail Course started on June 24<sup>th</sup> ending on August 5, with the final exam. The class was successfully held at Kelly's on Thursday nights from 7 to 9. A USPS Instructor's Manual was purchased. ABCSB teachers included Cdr Merker, P/C Marshall, and Ernst Hofmann. José Nuñez volunteered the use of his boat for the SAIL On-The-Water sessions. Seven (7) students attended, six took the exam, four passed the test.

Man Overboard Rescue Training was not held on 21 August due to equipment failure, and the lunch at Charlie & Jake's BBQ Beachside was cancelled.

ABC3: Class was held on 14 August at the Satellite Beach Rec Center with Cdr Merker, Ernst Hofmann, and the Murphys teaching. The class had 25 students signed up (full class). Only 22 students came to class, but one student had to leave before the test, so only 21 students took the class. All students passed the class with over 50% achieving over 90% on the test!

The next ABC3 class is November 20<sup>th</sup> with 2 people already registered. We are also going to push membership in the Squadron at the class.

We discussed the pathway to Navigator—the steps are Boat Handing [S], Marine Navigation [P], Advanced Marine Navigation [AP], Offshore Navigation [JN], Celestial Navigation [N]. We have a few members who would like



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to continue up the path. We will contact other squadrons to see if we can join with them to cobble enough students to hold a Marine Navigation(P) which is being planned to start in September. Wally and Nancy Layton would like to enroll.

The next FlareUp will be held in November 13<sup>th</sup> at the Eau Gallie Boat Ramp. Cdr Merker has notified necessary authorities.

#### **Boat Parade**

Ernst Hofmann met with Bob Moore. It was determined that we can't have a "live streaming" device on a boat in the Parade as there will be dropouts along the course taken. Jim Merker will have at least one camera videoing the entire course and then post it to the website after the Parade.

#### **Old Business:**

The 2021 ABC-SB Calendar was reviewed and events updated.

#### **New Business:**

The existing boat-shaped parade float needs extensive work. Motion to decommission the float made by Stephanie Murphy, seconded by Ernst Hofmann. Discussion followed. ABC-SB has alternate solutions: either using a member's pickup truck to hold up banners or using a vehichle pulling a boat on a trailer for those parades we participate in. Motion passed unanimously NOT to refurbish the float.

Bridge Positions will be voted on at the September Meeting, allowing for Nominations from the floor. No Nominations were received via email or mail from any existing members as advertised in the August Dragon Tales.

Next year, the Board will discuss the plan to move to 3 or 4 presentations a year alternating with social dinners. As we add new members, we will survey them on what kind of presentations they would like to see.

We plan to participate in Satellite Beach Founder's Day on the 6th of November.

FlareUp has been moved to November 13th followed by our social lunch at Charlie & Jake's BBQ Beachside, Indian Harbour Beach

We are planning on discontinuing the DragonTales as of November 2021. The monthly Short Sheet sent out by the secretary to all members features all the planned courses and events.

Tinker & Steph will set up an America's Boating Club South Brevard Facebook group and will post newsletter information on the Facebook Group.

Stephanie will send emails for social luncheons and dinners to prior members. The meeting was adjourned at **1948**.

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Submitted by Stephanie Murphy, ABC-SB Secretary Sept 15, 2021

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September Social Luncheon at Pineapple's

4 September: Shari Marshall, Wally Jones, Valerie Dietrich, Bill Veit, and Tinker and Stephanie Murphy met for our Remembrance Luncheon. Seated in the cool air-conditioned first floor, we did not have the spectacular view offered by roof-top dining, but all had a comfortable luncheon at this relatively new locale.

Next "lunch" is our Change of Watch on October 16 at the home of Joe & Monika Bradley with the theme of "Oktoberfest."



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### WORD JUMBLE LIST FOR OCTOBER

#### **Obscure Boating Terms**

Match each word on the left with it's "definition" on the right! These are all obscure boating terms from all sorts of boats and over hundreds of years. Have fun and see how you score! Answers are listed with further information.

#### What's your score?

- 0-3 You are way too young for these terms, anyway!
- 4-7 You've been reading up!
- 8-12 You can hold your own in the boating trivia contests!
- >12 WOW! You are either old as dirt (!) or truly world-class Squadron material!

	TERM	ANSWER		BY THE BOOK DEFINITIONS
1	Escutcheon		A	Large wooden beam that extends from vessels at a 45 degree angle and is used to assist in raising and lowering the anchor.
2	Futtock		В	Bowsprit of a yacht—very, very, very front of the boat
3	Bilge		С	Spaces cut into the vessel or small clasps raised up from the side of smaller boats that are used to rest oars when the boat is under paddle.
4	Cat-Head		D	Soft-covering for ropes aboard yachts that prevent chafing of the sails. Where ropes and lines come into contact with sails there is serious potential for damage to the sail due to the abrasive nature of most rigging.
5	Mainsheet		E	Curved timbers used to form the interior ribs on the hulls of wooden ships
6	Baggiewrinkle		F	Rope or line attached to the boom that allows the sailor to control the speed of a boat by adjusting the main sail.
7	Widow-maker		G	Deck at the rear of a ship, generally formed by the roof of a cabin.
8	Poop Deck		Н	Cask on a ship containing the vessel's drinking water
9	Rollocks		1	Placed on the stern of a ship where the boat's name is written
10	Scuttlebutt		J	Lowest part of the interior a ship. It marks the spot at the inside-bottom of the hull, below any floorboards, and it sits below the water-line.
11	Heave To		K	At right angles to the centerline of the boat; rowboat seats are generally athwart ships.
12	Hitch	**	L	Upper edge of a boat's sides
13	Athwartships		М	A knot used to secure a rope to a loop or a noose in a rope.
14	Batten down		N	Secure hatches and loose objects both within the hull and on deck
15	Bitter End		0	Steering into the wind and sea making minimum headway
16.	Gunwale(s)		Р	Last part of a rope or chain. The inboard end of the anchor rode.







#### WORD JUMBLE ANSWERS

11 O' (bronounced gunnels). 12 M, 13 K, 14 N, 15 P, 16 L

a slang meaning of rumor or gossip.

As sailors would often gather around the scuttlebutt to chat, the word has also taken on "butt", which had been "scuttled" -had a hole made in it - so water could be accessed. 10 H., It was named this as the container was traditionally a small barrel, the so-called 9 C It's the common spelling for "rowlocks".

was "pooped")

8 G Term was created when waves wash over this deck from behind the vessel (deck 6.F, 6D, 7B,

 $4~\mathrm{A}$  Many had lions or cat faces carved into them. Which came first is unknown.

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**YNZMEKS:** 



#### **2021 BRIDGE OFFICERS**

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**Executive Officer OPEN** 

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Ex Officio P/C Shari Marshall, AP 734-347-2992

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## **2021 ABC-SB CALENDAR**

Month	Day	Event	Location	
October				
	7	Marine Navigation #3	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	12	ExCom Mtg	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/760362061	
	14	Marine Navigation #4	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	16	Change of Watch/Octoberfest	Home of Monika and Joe Bradley	
		D23 Fall Conference	TBD	
	21	Marine Navigation #5	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	28	Marine Navigation #6	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
November				
	4	Marine Navigation #7	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	6 Sat Beach Founders Day		Schechter Community Ctr, 1089 Patrick Dr, Sat Beach	
	9	ExCom Mtg	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/760362061	
	11	Marine Navigation #8	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	13	Fall Flare-Up	Eau Gallie Boat Ramp	
	13	End of Hurricane Season Lunch Bunch (following Flare-Up)	Charlie & Jakes BBQ 490 E. Eau Gallie Blvd Indian Harbour Beach 32937	
	15	General Membership Mtg	Kelly's 650 N. Wickham Rd, Melbourne 32935	
	20	ABC <sub>3</sub>	Schechter Community Ctr, 1089 Patrick Dr, Sat Beach	
December				
	4	Ocean Reef Beach Festival	Pelican Beach Park 1525 Hwy A1a , Sat Beach	
	14	ExCom Mtg	https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/760362062	
	18	Christmas Boat Parade	Grand Canal, Satellite Beach	
		Holiday Party	TBD	

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#### TIMES FOR EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

12 ExCom Meeting 1900 https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/760362061

16 66th Change of Watch 1130 Bradley's 1799 Freedom Drive

Melbourne 32940

7, 14, 21, 28 Marine Navigation 1900 Kelly's Burgers & Beer

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