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DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Commodores Corner...



Half the year is over and what a year we are having! We were able to have a few small events such as kayaking and Funday Sunday and are planning on trying to continue these and maybe increase to a few more once things settle a bit. We are being cautious. I was able to go visit the clubhouse and it looks great. I sure do miss it and all of you guys. Looks like the rodent issue is fixed and we will need a major cleaning when we are allowed back in. The dead roaches are piling up. At least they are dead :)

The food drive was a bit delayed but you should all start seeing information very soon. Thank you to Johnathan Skinner and Butch Cole. Please help out the community by donating. Drop off locations will be the Chamber and Happy's Bayou Bites.

We have finally relocated to Madeira Beach and have been running on generator for 4 days now. The Dock we are on is nice but very low voltage. So low, we cannot risk damaging our electronics. We are trying a few solutions but may need to move again. We are missing our Dunedin. The dredge seems to be moving very fast. We are hoping for updates for completion sooner than expected unless weather or other circumstances get in the way. Maybe next month we can have some good news!!

We had George upload the current directory as a PDF inside the members only section under documents. This seems the logical way to get access for you all during this crazy time. Check it out... If you would like a physical copy please reach out and we can make that happen. Please remember to keep your information current in the member area online.

I apologize for the late reminder on our Zoom general meeting last month. We will be doing this again and details will be in this newsletter like last month and we will send a few reminders as well. We had a great meeting and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Stay safe everyone....



Dan Zucker, *Commodore Dunedin Boat Club*, 727-251-3292, dan@zuckerandzucker.com

Vice Commadore...

Greetings from the Vice Commadore!

I hope everyone is happy and healthy this July. I miss seeing everyone. I have set up a Zoom meeting for us, so we can at least see everyone online.

We will have a short program this month from our own Peggy Schott who will share with us some experiences that the Kayak Club has had since its inception last year. Kayaking is a great activity to do while social distancing. Peggy will share some pictures and tell tales from their many trips.

Captain Sheryl Barnes,
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July 20th
7:30pm

Topic: DBC General Meeting

Time: Jul 20, 2020 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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I look forward to 'seeing' all of you then!

Where Have All the Boats Gone? ...

As the dredging began, I was curious as to where all the boats in the marina went. There were only about 34 boats left in the marina out of nearly 200. As about 88 of the slip renters were DBC members, I sent out a survey by email to satisfy my curiosity. I received answers within 3 days and then no one else replied.

Kan Blaine bought a trailer in order to store his boat in the church parking lot across from the marina. Rod and Cindy Collman decided to do some extended cruising during this time, ending up at a marina in Ft. Meyers until they are able to return to their slip. Manny and Maryellen Farinas also took this opportunity to cruise. The remainder of the boats found spots as far north as Tarpon Springs and as far south as Gulfport. Most of the boats took slips in the Clearwater area, either behind people's homes or at local marinas. The majority were paying \$100-200 more at their temporary location than they were at Dunedin, mainly because they were non-residents in the area of the marina. Very few were planning to use their boats to explore the area around their new slip during the time the boat was there. Some were not planning to use their boats at all until they returned to Dunedin. I myself having been using my boat at least once a week, finding it a great way to keep sane during this pandemic. Island Hopper is at Island Yacht Club Marina on Island Estates, right down from the aquarium, along with several other boats from DBC. It is interesting that the time to get out to the gulf is almost exactly the same amount of time it takes to get to the gulf from Dunedin Marina as one has to go all around Island Estates if you have a sail boat. I look with envy at the short bridge to the south of the marina as power boats can zip through there and are out in the gulf in 10 minutes! It is the drive to the marina that is a big difference as depending upon the traffic going to the beach, it can be a 20 minute drive or an hour and a half. Along with everyone else, we are looking forward to being tucked back into our slip at Dunedin.



Carol Elwood, *Reports on the dredging project*

Race Committee...



Awards recognition for the Gulf Series – Winter Regatta will be held at this month's General Membership meeting scheduled for the evening of July 20th via ZOOM. This will be for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishes on the Winter Regatta which contributes to the end of year, DBC Boat of the Year Cruisers Award at the January - Change of Watch.

Our Gulf Series – Fall Regatta has its first of three race dates scheduled for September 12th, then October 24th and November 21 to complete the Gulf Series season. Some background: The Gulf Series is made up of two Regattas; Fall and Winter. It consists of 6 race dates and as many races as we can squeeze in. Each Regatta recognizes the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners. Then annually at the Change of Watch we recognize the Dunedin Boat Club member with the lowest score of the cumulative two regattas.

Work is underway for the 36th Annual Dunedin Cup Regatta on September 26th. Competitors should follow the DBC Racing website for details which will also be posted to Yachtscoring.com in the next month.

The DBC Race Committee would like to thank Vice Commodore Sheryl Barnes and Dorothy Connor of Orange Blossom for their donation of their dock box to the Race Committee for storage of equipment.

Kayaking...



Hi Kayakers!

Jeanine Metts will be leading this months kayak Tuesday, July 28th at 10am Pop Stansell in Palm Harbor.

Due to Covid, we are limiting the number to 10. Call or text Jeanine at 727-418-5224 if you plan to attend.

Keep your distance folks.

Peggy Schott, *Kayak Committee Chair*



June's adventure at Sunset Beach in Tarpon. 6 DBC kayakers ventured out for a beautiful day on the water. Metts', Schott's & the McCook's



Fishing Report...

Pasco County Scallop season opens on Friday July 17th through Saturday July 26th. You must be north of the Anclote River and display a diver down flag from your vessel. Limit is 2 gallons whole per person or 10 gallons whole per vessel, whichever is less. A saltwater license is required to take scallops!

Remember, speckled trout, redfish, and snook are strictly catch and release thru May 31st of 2021. Inshore flounder, black drum, silver trout, sheepshead, and pompano are available to take home for a meal.

Offshore both gag and red grouper are available for harvest, gags must measure 24 inches and reds 20". Spanish mackerel are available close to shore and triple tail as well as cobia can be found hanging around the crab trap floats.

Go out on the water, be safe and have fun!



Howard Metts, *New Fishing Committee Chair*
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Book Club...

The Book Club is on hiatus but we are still reading!

Here are some recommendations from Book Club members.

Long Bright River: A Novel, Liz Moore

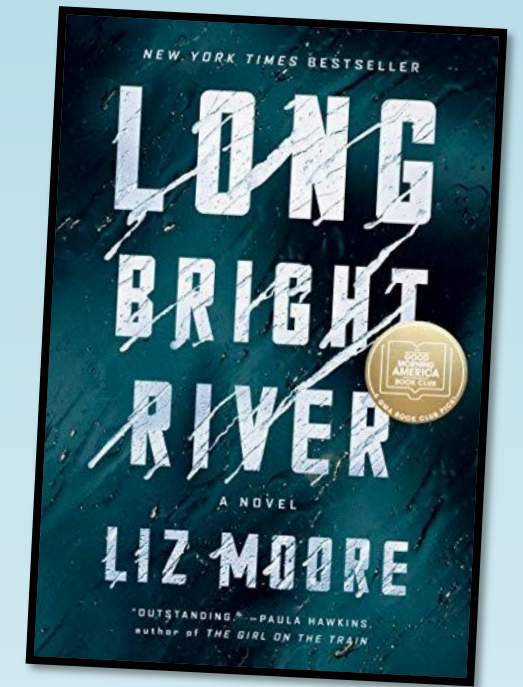
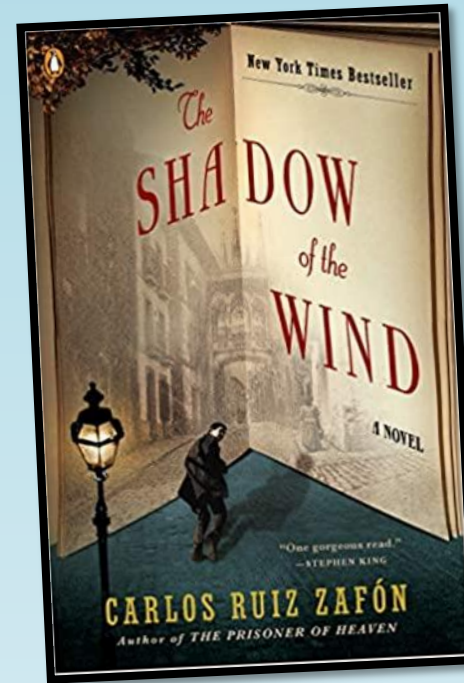
In a Philadelphia neighborhood rocked by the opioid crisis, two once-inseparable sisters find themselves at odds. Then one of them goes missing.

The Shadow of the Wind, Carlos Ruiz Zafon

1945 Barcelona slowly heals in the aftermath of the Spanish Civil War. Daniel, an antiquarian book dealer's son, finds a mysterious book entitled *The Shadow of the Wind*. He inadvertently opens a door into one of Barcelona's darkest secrets -- an epic story of murder, madness, and doomed love.

Sharon Grimshaw

Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com



For more reading inspiration checkout our book list:

<https://dunedinboatclub.org/book-list>

A graphic of a bright sunburst with rays emanating from the top left corner, set against a yellow and orange background.

Sunshine...

Update on Victor Brunst. He is currently in Sabal Palms rehab center. Chris took him to one of his many doctors July 1 and his drain was taken out and he approved him for discharge. He still has a feeding tube in as he cannot intake food or liquid by mouth. He will have one more surgery to remove the osteophytes (bone spurs) from his cervical spine. These are causing food and liquids to go into his lungs instead of his stomach.

Prayer request: Chris Benson's youngest son, who is currently being treated for Lyme disease and secondary infections, has been diagnosed with thyroid cancer. He has had his thyroid and several lymph nodes removed on 7/10 at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN.

Kelly O'Connell - (Kelly Kelly) Had Knee replacement in May. Her rehab is going well and she is getting around. While she was on medical leave, the airlines offered her an early retirement package (because of Covid). She said yes! Wish her well on her retirement.

Renee Radalinsky, *Sunshine committee chair*, reneerad@yahoo.com

The Ship's Store is Open!

 ***We don't have a Club House***

 ***We don't have a back porch to sit and watch sunsets***

 ***We don't have a Happy Hour and the camaraderie of our monthly meetings***

But,

 ***We still have a Ship's Store***

We were able to remove all the Ship's Store merchandise from the Club House, before they locked us out

If there is an item that you need; Club Burgee, T-Shirt, Denim Shirt, Hat, Sweat Shirt, Etc.,

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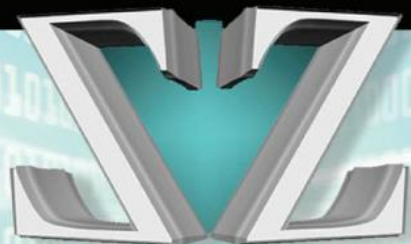
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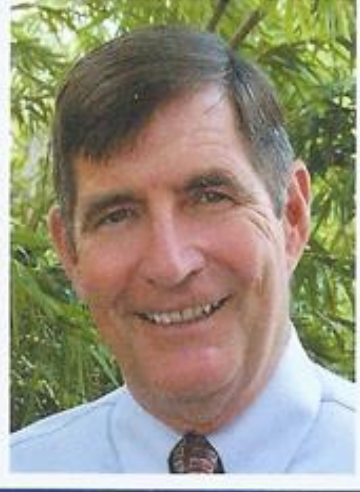
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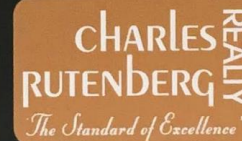
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