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DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Commodores Corner...

**General Meeting
March 16th**

I hope everyone had a great time at Mardi Gras.... As I write this we still do not know if we won. In my mind we won! We are saving the float for possible re-use later this year instead of our normal tear down process. We are planning on using it for the street holiday parade (with some added Xmas decor) and maybe even the boat parade for the judges to sit on. Next Mardi Gras a haunted house? A New Orleans pub? We shall see!

Time for some March madness! It is that time when we are all getting ready for some play time on the water, baseball is happening, tourists are everywhere and traffic is thick. The clocks changed this weekend giving us some more evening daylight (my favorite time of year). Speaking of getting ready, I just did my annual oil and filters change of 20 gallons of oil. Yes, you read that right 20 gallons! Hahah. Fortunately, I have a built-in pump system to make it a bit easier. She is ready for her next 100 hours of cruising. I just have to get her off the dock first. Recently, every weekend we planned to go out turned crazy windy and/or cold... Hurry up spring.



Our first education seminar on proper anchoring and rafting is coming up and next month we are trying to get a CPR, first aid & AED training seminar at the club. This will certify you at the end of the 2 hour class. Cost will be between \$35-40 depending on how many sign up. Space will be limited. I am really excited about these new seminars and hope you all take advantage of them! We have some great programs set for the year

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Commodores Corner... (continued)



**HAPPY
90TH YEAR
DUNEDIN
BOAT CLUB**

Next up, we will be having our 90th birthday celebration. Come out and join us for some great fellowship, food and I heard a rumor of shooting off cannons. Sounds fun huh? Tickets will be \$30 and details has been emailed and is in this newsletter. A black tie and flip flop event? Just kidding.

A few months more and we will be starting our Sunday Fundays... Keep an eye out for the emails.

We are in the process of putting together a member survey. We look forward to your feedback about the club and hope you will participate. This should go out in a week or so and will give us better insight of the club as a whole.

Kudos to the building committee! They are doing a great job improving our kitchen. It was in desperate need of a makeover and is looking really sharp.

We have set up a new email to make it easier for you to communicate with the Board and Bridge. Simply send an email to board@dunedinboatclub.org

That's about all I have at the moment. See you all at our 90th if not before.

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

Vice Commodore...

At the February meeting, DBC member Claudia Nable gave an excellent presentation on Sailability, Greater Tampa Bay. Sailability partners with the Clearwater Sailing Center to provide sailing programs to people with disabilities using adaptable boats and equipment based at Clearwater Sailing Center's fully accessible marina. Anyone interested in volunteering at the center can email sailabilitygtb@gmail.com or contact Claudia directly at claudi825@yahoo.com.

Capt. Rob Cozen, Marine Surveyor will be the featured speaker at our March members meeting. The subject of his presentation is Safety at Sea and Seasonal Maintenance. It will also serve as an introduction to the upcoming Dunedin Boat Club seminar series covering all aspects of boating and sailing. Capt. Cozen has given numerous Safety at Sea, Man Overboard and Maintenance seminars serving as a member of the Boat/US Speakers Bureau. Check out Capt. Rob's website (www.marine-surveyor.com) and click on the Newsletter Archives for printable articles of interest. Rob is a new member to club, so let's have a great turnout for this excellent program in March!

Upcoming Programs:

April - Audabon Society - Pinellas County Shorebirds

May - US Coast Guard Auxiliary - Vessel Safety Inspections and Boating Education

June - Mikkel Herrick - Dunedin Wildlife Photography

July & August - No program, too hot

September - Dunedin Cup

October, November - TBD. Please let me know if you have any ideas for programs.

Captain Sheryl Barnes, *Vice Commodore*, 203-554-1520,
Dr.Sheryl.barnes@gmail.com

Rear Commodore...

The excitement is building among Dunedin Boat Club members as we prepare to celebrate the DBC's 90th birthday! What started out as the dream of a few boating enthusiasts in Dunedin has become the amazing club that we are members of.

Let's think about the world 90 years ago: The average cost of a new house was \$7,145; the average American earned \$1,970.00 PER YEAR; a gallon of gas costs 10 cents; to rent a house would set you back \$15 per month. WOW!

Although times have changed....we carry on the vision of those folks that saw greatness in the future. We will not let them down.

Happy 90th Birthday Dunedin Boat Club!

Cindy Cole, Rear Commodore, 727 408-0603,
butchandcindy@outlook.com

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**90th BIRTHDAY
PARTY**



Blue Gavel...



Calling all new members and those in the membership process!

If you Joined the club in 2018 - 2020 or are in the process of becoming a member, the Blue Gavel would like to invite you to our new member orientation party on April 4th, 6-8pm.

The Blue Gavel is comprised of Past Commodores from Yacht Clubs and Boat Clubs all over the world. Dunedin Boat Club's past commodores will be on hand to share their experiences from when they served and how the boat club has changed and evolved over it's 90 years.

We will be providing finger foods, beer, wine, soda, and water. Please join us and your fellow new members and members to be for this informative event and enjoy a beautiful DBC sunset.

Cheers!

Chris Gattas Past Commodore 2006 RSVP'S TO: gattasfam@gmail.com

Education Committee...

Rafting & Anchoring Presentation

When: Wed, March 18, 7pm - 9pm
Where: Dunedin Boat Club (map)
Presenter: George Schott

Description: This presentation is open to anyone that wants to learn the intricacies of Rafting and Anchoring. If you want to attend, please sign up by logging into the members only part of the WEB site and click Events, click Cruising Events, click Event date table heading to sort the table and click on the Rafting and Anchoring Presentation. The Event Data page shows all the details for the event. Click the Continue Signup button and make sure all your data is filled in and correct, then click the signup button. You are in!!

Craig Starns, *Education Chair*
Cell (813) 340-0227, cs@starnsmarine.com



Cruising Committee...

Blessing of the Fleet 2020

This year's Blessing of the Fleet was March 7 with Pastor Becky, from the Church of the Good Shepherd officiating. Fourteen boats signed up, three of which were "virtual"

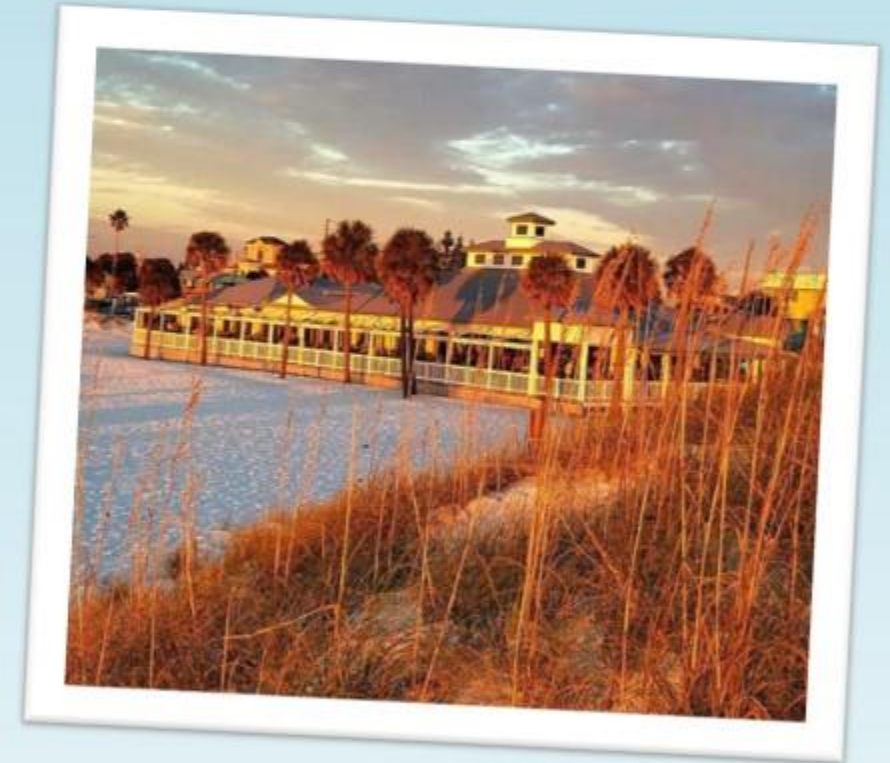
Following the blessing of the boats, there was a blessing of the clubhouse and DBC members. No members of the club passed away in 2019 so we honored our family and friends.

Day Cruise/anchor out in Mandalay Channel Saturday March 21

Come by boat, ferry, water taxi, or land vehicle. Meet at the day docks next to the Clearwater Beach Recreation Center.

Dinner at 5:30 PM at The Palm Pavilion. RSVP to chrisbenson2375@gmail.com or on the Cruising Event page. Several boaters usually anchor out in the channel overnight.

Chris Benson, *Cruising Coordinator*,
chrisbenson2375@gmail.com



Caladesi Kayaking...

**March 14th at noon
Boat Club**

Caladesi Island Kayak Trip March 14, 2020 at 12 Noon. Meet at Boat Club. Be ready to launch at noon. Sign up in the web site or call Peggy Schott at (727)644-0828. If you don't sign up, we won't know to expect you, if you have to cancel, please do so, so we don't wait for you.

Pack food and drink. We will paddle from Boat Club, go through the kayak trail and paddle back.

Peggy Schott (727) 644-0828





90TH YEAR BIRTHDAY PARTY

SUNDAY
MARCH 29TH
5PM TO 8PM
EVENT AT DBC
CLUBHOUSE



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Come Join in our celebration! This is HUGE...

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Please send payment of \$30/per person to

Happy Jordan
2005 Spanish Pines Drive
Dunedin, FL 34698



The burgee can also be purchased for \$30 with the same transaction. Make checks payable to Dunedin Boat Club. Your payment is your RSVP!

Happy Jordan, 90th Celebration Chair
happytoes@verizon.net

Purser's Corner...

LATE RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP IS STILL POSSIBLE.

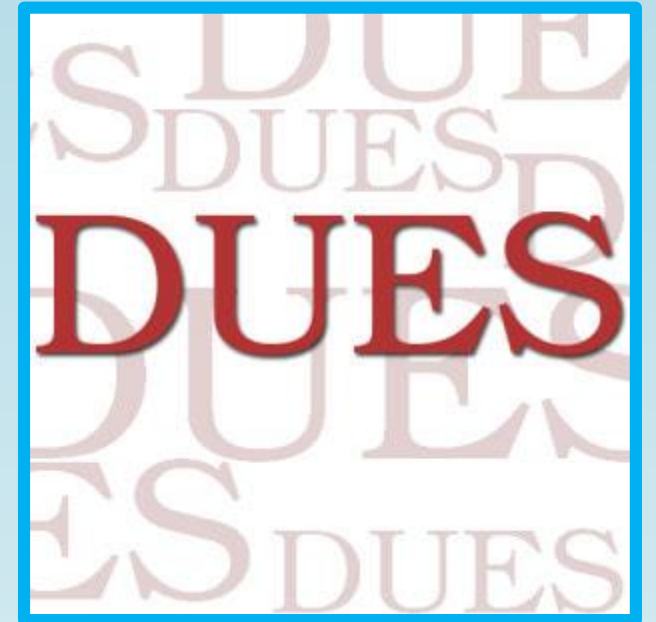
If you have not paid for your 2020 membership yet, you can still mail a check to:

Dunedin Boat Club
P.O. Box 201
Dunedin, FL 34697

Late renewals do require the approval on the Board at their next scheduled meeting. So, you must send in your check. PayPal will not accept payments for membership any more this year.

If you paid your dues but missed the key exchange last month bring your old key to our next meeting March 16th for the exchange?

Jack Malard, *Purser*



Race Committee...



The 2020 DBC Sailboat Racing Schedule is posted at your DBC website and we have completed two of the three race dates within the Gulf Series - Winter Regatta. Currently with 3 races in the books with **Carol Elwood with Island Hopper** in first place for the Regatta. Race date #3 is April 11th and registration can be found through the website Racing Tab. On March 7th we held the Pass-A-Grille Run race from Clearwater Pass to Pass-a-Grille Pass with awards handed out at the SPYC Pass-A-Grille Beach.

Crew looking for a boat to crew on can now place their racing profile on the Yacht Scoring site. Interested parties can go the DBC website Racing tab and review the guide under the “All About Racing” section.

Thank you to **John Fondrk** and his sail boat **Know Sure** for continuing to volunteer his vessel as the Signal Boat for the DBC race starts. John is one of the instructors of the **Dunedin Youth Sail Association** that shares our Club House. DYSA is always looking for volunteers to help with their classes that are held on Sundays. Their **DYSA Race Committee** is also looking for volunteers to help with their racing activities held in St. Joseph Sound and north of the Dunedin Causeway. If interested email John at nacrai20@gmail.com and say you want to volunteer at DYSA.

Welcome Dan Johnson to the DBC Race Committee Advisory Committee. This committee consists of Carol Elwood, Sheryl Barnes, Fairlie Brinkley, Dan Johnson and David Kresge (Chair) and provides the overall direction and resources for the DBC racing activities throughout the year. Additionally, we have many critical volunteers who volunteer their services throughout the year helping with Signal Boats, Mark Boats, Race Committee starts, skipper meetings, post-race celebrations and the biggest event of the year, the **Dunedin Cup** scheduled for September 26th this year. Thank you to all for your support of the Dunedin Boat Club Racing Events.

David Kresge, Race Committee Chair, dckoffsu@gmail.com, 813.833.2285



Share your love for Sailing, Volunteers needed for National & International Events in our area.

February and March are busy regatta months with four major events in 30 days. All will be headquartered at Clearwater Yacht Club and sailed from Clearwater Community Sailing Center. We would love to have your help on race committee for either or all.

Sunfish International Masters Championship:

Saturday March 14 – Tuesday March 17. Call *Fairlie Brinkley* (727) 512-3264 or email him at fairlie@fairliebrinkley.com.

Sunfish US Team Race Championship:

Thursday, March 19. Call *Fairlie Brinkley* (727) 512-3264 or email him at fairlie@fairliebrinkley.com.

Sunfish Midwinters for the US National Championship:

Thursday, March 19 – Sunday March 22. Call *Fairlie Brinkley* (727) 512-3264 or email him at fairlie@fairliebrinkley.com.

Membership Committee...

WELCOME ABOARD

This section welcomes our new members, provides opportunities for "Good of the Club" activities for existing and potential new members, and provides other Membership Committee information.

HOW DO I SPOT NEW MEMBERS?

New members who have been with the Club for less than a year have name badges printed in RED. Strike up a conversation and get to know them.

NOTE TO MEMBERS WHO JOINED IN 2019 (or earlier)

If you have been with the Club for more than a year and still have a RED name tag, please see me at the next meeting or send me an email requesting a BLACK printed name badge.

Steven Soso, *Membership Chair*



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please join me in welcoming these bright, new faces into the Dunedin Boat Club:

- Craig Anderson & Linda Lack, March
- Mike & Lorna Balint, March 2020
- Rob Coven, March 2020
- Beverley Mellow, March 2020
- Bill & Donna Sczesny, March 2020

Membership Committee...

WE NEED YOUR HELP! UPCOMING VOLUNTEER AND "GOOD OF THE CLUB" OPPORTUNITIES

For potential new members, these opportunities will not only help you meet your service requirement to become a member, but more importantly give you the opportunity to participate in an event or party. Whether you are an existing member or a potential new member, each event is a great opportunity to be of service to the Club while socializing with and getting to know members.

NOTE: To volunteer for any of these, please sign-up directly with the designated contact for that event.

Ongoing – DBC Parties & Events

Need ongoing help with set-up and cleanup (Including Happy Hours before monthly membership meetings.)

Dates: Check the DBC Online Event Calendar - [LINK HERE](#)

Location: Dunedin Boat Club

Contact: Jill Barnes, cell: 631-902-7702

Enjoy the water and stay safe!

Steven Soso, *Membership Chair*

510-220-8427, ssoso983@gmail.com

Book Club...

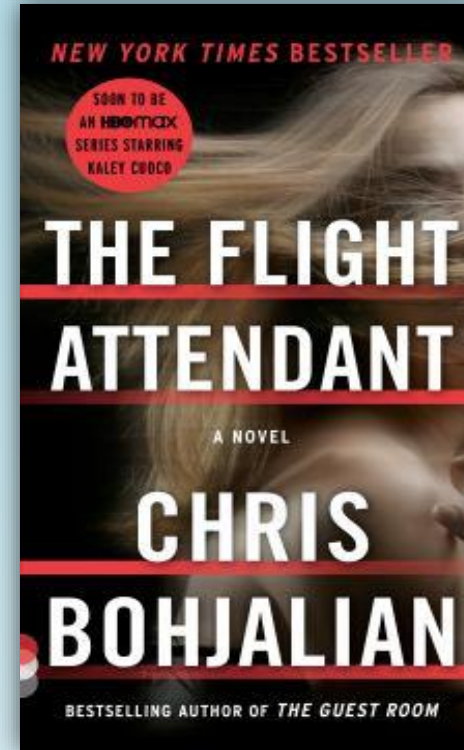
**April 8th, 2020 meeting
Cathy Goocher is our host**

**The book is “The Flight Attendant,”
by Chris Bohjalian**

Cassandra Bowden is no stranger to hungover mornings. She’s a binge drinker, her job with the airline making it easy to find adventure, and the occasional blackouts seem to be inevitable. When she awakes in a Dubai hotel room, she quietly slides out of bed, careful not to aggravate her already pounding head, and sees his dark hair and blood in wet pool on the crisp white sheets. Could she have killed him? If not, who did? "The Flight Attendant" unveils a spellbinding story of memory, of the giddy pleasures of alcohol and the devastating consequences of addiction, and of murder far from home.

Sharon Grimshaw

Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com



The Book Club meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7pm with wine and munchies to start followed by a discussion of the book.

Sign up for the meeting under the Member's Only section of the Boat Club website. Log-in then look for this month's Book Club Meeting on the Events list. Click the event to go to the meeting's info page and register.

Sunshine...

Good morning and happy March,

Verbally reported by Pat on Feb 17th. Arlene Veldhuis was in the hospital due to High Blood Pressure. I followed up and Arlene is back to work and doing well.

Former Commando Dorothy Connor is a grandmother for the 8th time on January 28th. Her son had a little boy, Logan Christopher

Linda Fagan was in the hospital with infection. She is home.

Sharon Williams and Gary Huffaker announced the marriage of their daughter Alison to John Hamm in Savannah Ga.

Any questions please give me a call 631-312-3784 or email me.

Renee Radalinsky reneerad@yahoo.com



Ship Store...

Spring is around the corner and the Ship's Store has just received it's last big order of Spring clothing

- Long Sleeve Denim Shirts for Men
- Short Sleeve Denim Shirts for Women
 - Men's and Women's Hats
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The Ship's Store will be open before and during the next General Membership Meeting, March 16, Cocktails at 7:00, Meeting at 7:30

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Dan & Phyllis Mann
Ship Store Chairman

DBC Business Marketplace...

Want to Advertise?

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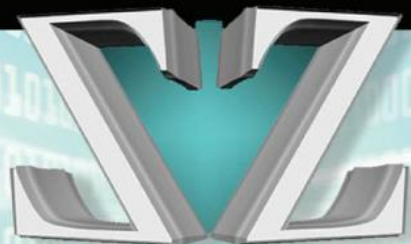
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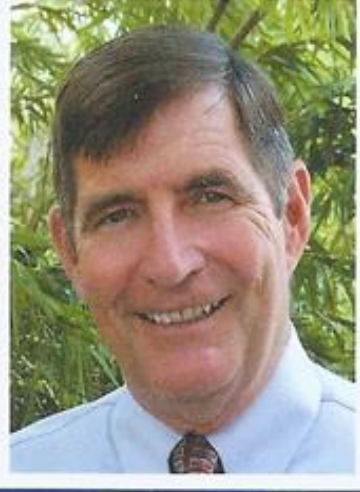
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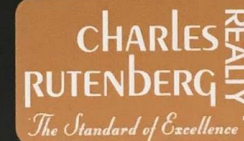
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