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# Commodores Corner...

**September 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**7:30 pm**

Hi everyone!

Well, we made it through the dredge... Let's just say we are VERY glad to be home. The dock we were on suffered low power issues so it was not the best situation. Our generator racked up some serious hours. On to the updates...

Now that members can get out to the club again let me remind all of you that we have restrictions in place during Covid. There is absolutely no use of the kitchen, no more than 10 people inside and masks REQUIRED inside. Outside on the porches we need you to maintain social distancing. I have received several reports of these rules not being followed. As a club we need to set an example and present a responsible image. If these reports continue we will take action. Please remember parties are not allowed at this time and must have Board approval in the future.

Okay now for the fun stuff (We hope).... We are trying to find a way to have a few fun times with the upcoming holidays. We are currently working on a revised method to continue with our boat parade and maybe another function or two. More details as we get them. Hard to believe I am already talking about the holidays.

Our ship's store will be having a sidewalk sale. Keep an eye out for date and time.

Below is the Zoom information for Monday's meeting, September 21st. Hope to see you all there!

Join Zoom Meeting, Monday, September 21st

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# Vice Commadore...



Capt. Rob Cozen, Marine Surveyor will be the featured speaker at our September general 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](http://www.marine-surveyor.com)) and click on the Newsletter Archives for printable articles of interest.

In October, we will have a program by the US Coast Guard Auxiliary. The Auxiliary conducts vessel safety checks and Boater Safety and Coastal Navigation classes. They assist the USCG in rescue missions and in tracking Aids to Navigation (buoys). All Mariners are invited to join to help the cause.

Stay safe everyone!



**Captain Sheryl Barnes**, USCG Captain, USCG Auxiliary  
*Vice Commadore*, 203-554-1520, [Dr.Sheryl.barnes@gmail.com](mailto:Dr.Sheryl.barnes@gmail.com)

# Membership Committee...



Prospective Members are waiting!

We have several prospective members who need to complete their "Good of the Club" service requirement. As the Clubhouse reopens and work opportunities arise, please email me the details and who to contact so that I can notify our prospective members.

Prospective members are invited to our Zoom membership meetings and I send them our monthly newsletter. So you may use both to announce scheduled work projects that will help prospective members meet their service requirement and meet Club members in the process.

Thank you.



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**Steven Soso**, *Membership Committee Chairperson*



# Race Committee...



September is a busy month with the start of the DBC Gulf Series – Fall Regatta on September 12th. The good news is we were ready to go. Race Committee disbursed the gear on Friday to the Signal vessel, Geronimo (Jim Davis) and Island Hopper had the marks for setting the course for a 12-noon start. We had boats and crew registered on Yacht Scoring and this thing called a Tropical Storm Watch starting to show its head. As you know our skippers want to race and so we were excited. At 3:15 AM Saturday morning the winds were forecast to be blowing in the 15-18kt range with gusts to 21. But at 6:15 AM it was listed as 18-19 knots with gusts in the 25-28 range. The race was called and we were able to confirm that all boats got the message. When Jim Davis, Carol Elwood and David Kresge came down to the docks at 8 AM to unload the equipment and return it to the Clubhouse the air was light and the sky above was blue. DID we make a mistake? But at 12:15 which would be right after the start. Dunedin was under significant rain and winds were blowing in the 18– 21 range. Whew to say the least. We were sad but relieved. There are two race dates left for the Winter Regatta in October and November.

The Dunedin Cup is a go for September 26th and all the coordination for the skippers are coming together. We are looking for a fun day of racing and want to thank in advance: George Schott, Karl Bohlmann and Mike Ressa for volunteering their vessels to support the Race Management Team. More on that outcome next month.

The Board wants to say thank you Race Committee for your hard work: Carol Elwood, Fairlie Brinkley, Sheryl Barnes, Dan Johnson and David Kresge.



**David Kresge, Race Committee Chair, [dckoffsu@gmail.com](mailto:dckoffsu@gmail.com), 813.833.2285**



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***Ship's Store***, Wednesday Sept 23 on the  
Back Porch of the Club House, 4 - 7 PM

Dan & Phyllis Mann, *Ship Store Chairman*

# Fishing Report...

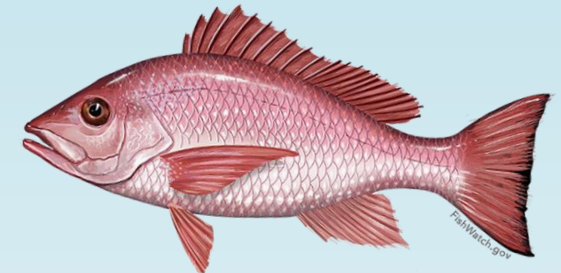
Next week water conditions should improve as we get some easterly winds to calm things down. Also the water temperature is slowly coming down which will help with the bite.

Catch and release speckled trout and redfish are available when the tide is moving. Use live greenbacks, shrimp, or small soft artificial baits. Inshore flounder, black drum, silver trout, sheepshead, and pompano are available to take home for a meal. Remember, speckled trout, redfish, and snook are strictly catch and release thru May 31st of 2021.

Offshore, both gag and red grouper are available for harvest, gags must measure 24 inches and reds 20". You will need to get out to 40 ft plus to find the grouper as they like colder water. Spanish mackerel and small kingfish can be found on any offshore structure holding bait, the larger kings should arrive in October.

Call me if you have any ideas for a fishing event. Go out on the water, be safe and have fun!

**Howard Metts**, *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.

## **A Beginner's Guide to Free Fall**, *Amy Abramowitz*

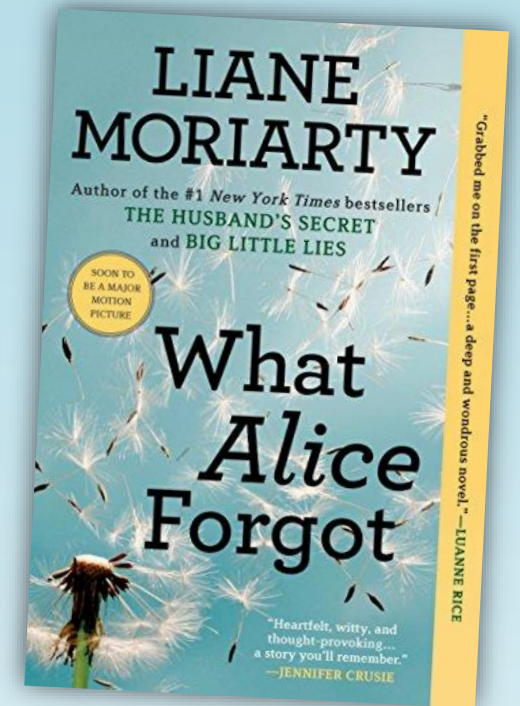
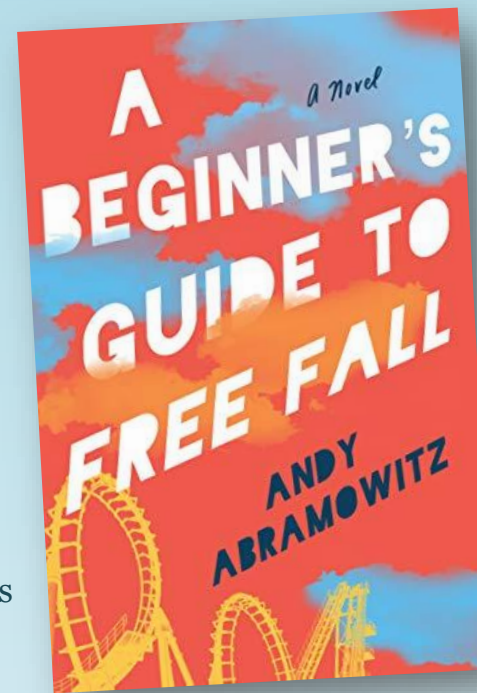
Davis Winger is an engineer who designs roller coasters in theme parks. He has a lovely wife, young daughter and a happy home. An accident occurs on one of his rides. Nothing fatal, except to his career and his marriage when a betrayal from his past inadvertently comes to light. In one cosmically bad day, Davis loses it all. His sister, Molly, is at a crossroads herself as a journalist whose work forces her to confront the truth about her own mother. The story's about siblings bracing themselves for a turbulent summer and making the best of the sharp turns in life.

## **What Alice Forgot**, *Liane Moriarty*

Alice Love is 29, crazy about her husband, and pregnant with her first child. Imagine Alice's surprise when she wakes up on the floor of a gym and is whisked off to the hospital where she discovers the honeymoon is truly over—she's getting divorced, she has three kids, and she's 39 years old. Alice must reconstruct the events of a lost decade and try to reconstruct her life. Ultimately, Alice must discover whether forgetting is a blessing or a curse, and whether it's possible to start over.

## **Sharon Grimshaw**

*Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com*



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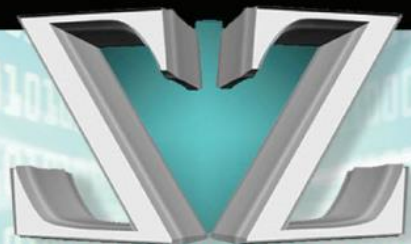
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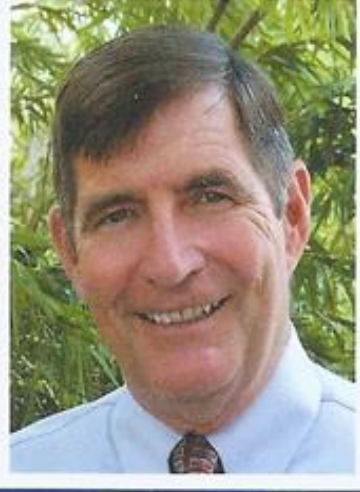
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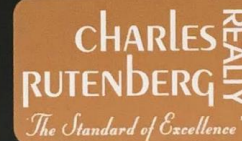
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