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Commodore Corner...

A big thank you to Vice Commodore Cindy Cole for filling in for me at the February General meeting and thank you to the Club for the beautiful flowers sent by Linda Fagan, our Sunshine chair. I had rotator cuff surgery on February 11, so unfortunately, I also had to miss the world shortest Mardi Gras parade, which was a huge success. I have started physical therapy and am on the road to recovery.

Also, a big thank you to Dan and Phyllis Mann for their 5 years of service leading the Ship's Store. You both did a fabulous job, which was very much appreciated by all. Our new Ship's Store leaders, Rob and Claudia Walker have very big shoes to fill. Welcome Walkers!

Finally, a big thank you to Chris Benson and Dan Zucker for organizing the Dunedin Boat Club Blood drive on March 2. All 15 slots were filled. Thanks to those members who gave the gift of life!

Spring has sprung! I have noticed more traffic in the area, so it is easy to tell that Spring Break and Spring Training are in town. The cool weather and gentle breezes are perfect for getting out on the water.

Our club is coming back to life. Get out there, have fun, and stay safe. See you soon.

Captain Sheryl Barnes, USCG Captain, USCG Auxiliary
Commodore, 203-554-1520, Dr.Sheryl.barnes@gmail.com



Vice Commodore...

Women's History Month is a celebration of women's contributions to history, culture and society. WHM has been observed annually in the month of March in the United States since 1987.

There is a member of the Dunedin Boat Club that is a true pioneer of women's sailboat racing. This DBC member broke the glass ceiling in women's sailing by starting her own sailing school dedicated to teach women the art of sailing. She also encouraged and trained women to be future racing champions and some of her students earned their Captains License.

This marvelous lady boldly took on this challenge and helped change the face of modern sailing.

The Dunedin Boat Club proudly welcomes our own Carol Elwood as special guest speaker at the DBC March General Membership Meeting. You can attend this in person at the DBC Clubhouse or you can watch this on DBC Zoom.



Cindy Cole, *Vice Commodore*

March Meeting...

DBC March General Meeting

March 15, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://jwmi.zoom.us/j/96219395881?pwd=WWRTbFJMd3VWRmtqN3Z4RGl6SUpQQT09>

Meeting ID: 962 1939 5881

Passcode: 705090



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Live at clubhouse



March 15th
7:30 pm

Social Committee...



SUNSET ITALIAN WINE TASTING

Tuesday March 23, 2021

6pm to 7:30pm

All outside with social distancing

Limited to 25 people

RSVP by March 16th

Tasting of 6 different wines

Complimentary 90th Anniversary Glass

\$25.00 per person



Renee Radalinsky, *Social Committee Chairperson*
727 631 6200, reneerad@yahoo.com

Social Committee...

Blessing of the Fleet

Pastor Durning
from Good Shepard Church
at the Boat Club
April 10, 2021, 9:30 am

Please email Renee if you would like your BOAT blessed that morning at reneerad@yahoo.com

Don't have to be present

NO BRUNCH will be held this year but we will VIDEO the event and put it on Facebook and the Website

Renee Radalinsky, *Social Committee Chairperson*
727 631 6200, reneerad@yahoo.com



Education Committee...

WOMEN AND BOATING PROGRAM PLAN (PART 1)

DATE: Wednesday, April 21st more to come...

VIRTUAL CLASSROOM (ONE HOUR)

- NAVIGATING ON THE INTERCOASTAL AND BACK BAYS
- SPEED ZONES
- WHO'S GOT RIGHT OF WAY
- RULES FOR MEETING HEAD-ON – PASSING – CROSSING
- HOW TO TAKE A WAKE
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Building Committee...



The renovation of ladies' bathroom is complete, thanks greatly, to the efforts of Randy Morgan and Pete Karoub.

The three storage doors have been replaced and are awaiting a final coat of paint.

Looking for 2 member applicants, to volunteer to do painting, to fulfil their "good for club" requirement. We need to paint 3 doors both sides

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Bob Arnold, *Building Committee*





All fifteen
appointments
were filled.

We have a giving
club!

Chris Benson



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From OneBlood About our 2021 Blood Drive March 2

On behalf of the OneBlood team, thank you to Dunedin Boat Club for recently hosting a blood drive. Your willingness to commit your time to this effort is truly appreciated by the blood recipients and their loved ones. Our goal is to provide the best experience for our chairpersons, donors and community.

Membership Committee...

Thank you for renewing your membership for 2021!

Please join me in welcoming new Dunedin Boat Club members Karen & Jim Lehrburger. The Lehrburgers live in Clearwater. They completed their "Good of the Club" activity by volunteering to help Dave Kresge with the Boat Club's tasks at the US Open Sailing event last month.

While I was in the Clubhouse recently, I noticed quite a few "first year" red name badges from 2017, 2018 & 2019 on the wall. If you have been a member for over one year and would like a black name badge, I'd be happy to provide you with one once we restart fully in-person meetings. Stop by the Membership desk prior to the meeting.

Steven Soso, *Membership Committee Chairperson*



From the Purser...

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO RENEW YOUR 2021 DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB MEMBERSHIP.

The Club depends on membership dues to operate. The rates are the same as they were last year:

Family Membership - \$101.65 Single Membership - \$80.25

Please pay by check, PayPal or money order. NO CASH PLEASE. Checks can be mailed to:
Dunedin Boat Club, P.O. Box 201, Dunedin, FL 34697

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If you pay by check, please email me at thedrakefl@gmail.com, to let me know that you have mailed the check.

Any renewal request received AFTER the Feb 15 General Meeting requires approval of the Dunedin Boat Club Board.

In following CDC guidelines, the Board has decided that the KEY EXCHANGE for 2021 will be postponed until later in the year when it is deemed safe.

Members who have renewed their memberships can receive new DBC membership card and a 2021 Reciprocal Courtesy Card from the Yachting Club of America, giving the holder access to over 600 other yacht and boat clubs nationwide and in the Virgin Islands. To request these cards, contact the Club Secretary, Sean Murphy Sean.Murphy@pmc-bac.com or at 727-947-2229.

Jack "key man" Mallard,
Purser

Continue



From the Purser... *Continued*

We will be publishing the 2021 Roster in March. If you have not paid your membership before March 1, 2021 you WILL NOT APPEAR in this years Roster. Please take some time to review that all of your names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses are correct on the website (dunedinboatclub.org). You can also update your photo if you would like to do so. Should you have any questions regarding the verification process, please contact George Schott (george@imbedded.com).

With the increased availability of COVID-19 vaccines, we hope to get the Club back in full force later this year. Until then, we are proceeding slowly with smaller group events, such as social events, the Book Club and Kayak Club, and hybrid Zoom General meetings.

Thanks in advance for your support of the Club for another year!

Jack “key man” Mallard,
Purser



Race Committee...

Gulf Series – Winter Regatta:

Race #2 for February 20th was cancelled due to lack of participants prior to race date. Eight boats registered – one was prepared to race. Cold weather was the factor. Race #3 in the series is April 17th.

Pass A Grille Run

New this year – co-sponsor between CYC and DBC. Race date was Saturday March 6th. It was a pursuit start. The Saint Pete Yacht Club Pass A Grill hosted the award ceremony. Carrol Ellwood has come up with Shells as Trophies.

US Olympic trials - 80% of the volunteers came from the boat club.

Of the 3 events that have happened so far, we have been recognized as the most organized and friendly club.

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



Kayaking Korner...



Kayaking in the Weedon Island Mangroves

Trip Date: TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021

Since we all had fun kayaking in the mangroves, we decided to go to Weedon Island and kayak the mangroves there. TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 2021 at the Weedon Island kayak docks at 1 PM. High tide is 3:30 PM, so we should do well.

The kayak dock is adjacent to the fishing pier at the end of Weedon Drive NE. There are kayak rentals nearby. Call the rental company at 727-570-4844 to reserve a rental. Be sure you have your rental kayak by the meeting time.

Bring snacks, drink, hat, sun screen and bug spray. Sign up at the DBC website or facebook group. If there are any questions or problems call me at (727) 644-0828.

I will call signed up people, if we need to postpone.

Peggy Schott, Kayaking Committee Chair
(727) 644-0828

Fishing Report...

DBC Silver Trout Tournament Wednesday March 17th 8 AM – 2 PM

We will have a fishing event for silver trout on Wednesday March 17th. The silver trout are located in the channel on the north side of the last bridge on the Dunedin Causeway. These fish can be caught from a boat or kayak with any type of small 1/4 oz jig. We will meet at the club house at 3pm to see who has caught the largest fish and the most fish over 12 inches. These are easy to filet and great to eat fresh! This event is open to all members. Please contact Howard Metts at 727-631-4191, or email: whmetts@yahoo.com, to participate.

Howard Metts, *Fishing Committee Chair*
whmetts@yahoo.com, 727-631-4191



Book Club...

The Book Club continues to experiment with small-group, socially-distanced outdoor meetings as COVID-19 restrictions permit. For more information contact Sharon Grimshaw.

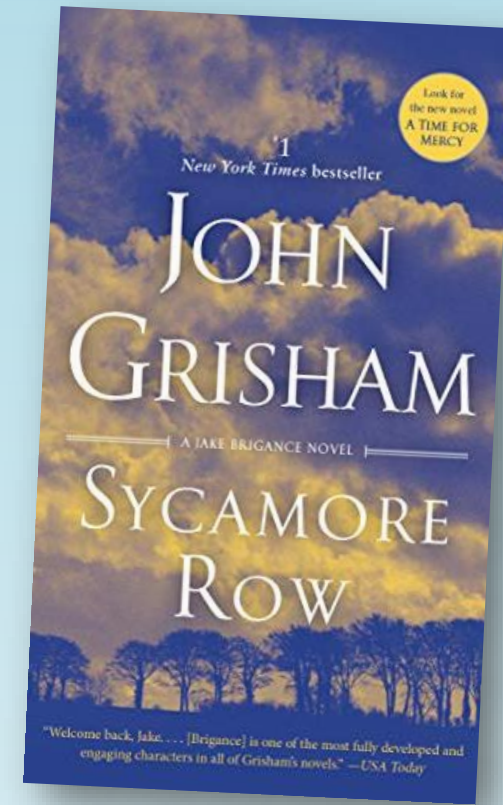
Here is our book selection for April

Sycamore Row, by John Grisham

The story brings us back to Ford County where Jake Brigance is embroiled in a trial that exposes a tortured history of racial tension. Seth Hubbard is a wealthy man dying of lung cancer. Before he hangs himself from a sycamore tree, he leaves a new handwritten will that drags his adult children, his black maid, and Jake into a riveting conflict. The new will raises many questions. Why would Hubbard leave nearly all of his fortune to his maid? Had chemotherapy and painkillers affected his ability to think clearly? And what does it all have to do with a piece of land once known as Sycamore Row?

Sharon Grimshaw

Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com



For more reading inspiration checkout our book list:

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

Insights...



Tom & Lili Kennedy

March Highlight
Tom Kennedy
Member since 2012

I'm Irish-American. As you may know, the Irish are known for their blarney and in what follows there may be some untruths. See if you can guess which ones.

My family were hard core sailors (would never take a tow from a "stink-pot"). My grandfather built and repaired his own boats including wooden scows, Flying Dutchman and others in his boat house. I learned wood working there and made my own toys, mostly ships and guns and nearly cut off my finger on the power saw.

Later when I was around 9 my father bought a Sailfish, took me out twice and on the third outing pushed me off and said have fun. I taught myself to sail and spent my early summers sailing on Lake Mendota in Madison, often lying on my belly, steering with my feet, sheet in my teeth and occasionally falling asleep as I sailed. I'd take my friends out and we would run downwind, nose the boat into the next wave and see if we could get the boat to do fore/aft 360s. Never made it but we had fun.

I worked from the time I was 14, first cleaning planes and hangars at the local airport for money and rides. I worked all through college, doing food service, truck driving, construction, carpentry, electronics, printing, lifeguarding, repairing sail boats for the University of Wisconsin Hoofers Club or anything that made some money. While at Hoofers I had full run of their fleet, the high point of which was sailing their Star.

After 4 years I moved to Milwaukee to get my architecture degree. There I also got a commercial real estate brokers license, managed an apartment building and got a job teaching sailing for the University of Wisconsin Sailing Club (a few years before Jeanine Metts). I was elected commodore.

Milwaukee was where I learned deep water sailing and racing, crewing on a newly designed and dominant Soveral 30 the first year and a running the crew on a Standfast 40 the next. I also was working as a marine rigger and a crane operator at a local marina which is where I had a great adventure.

A young friend in the marina asked me if I wanted to join him on his family's boat sailing across Lake Michigan in the Queens Cup, from Milwaukee east to Muskegon. (Yes, this is the same race your editor was in) The next day I rushed from the marina to the Yacht Club, ran down the pier and jumped on as the boat pushed back. The boat was a Q-boat called Lively Lady. I had never seen a Q-boat but sensed immediately that I had stepped onto history. A little under 50 feet in length and 9-foot beam she was stately and solid, massive sails and felt like she wanted to run. The crew, were all about 3 years younger than my mature 22 years, few had ever sailed and most could swim.



Insights... *Continued*



As we approached the start it was a beautiful night, but there was lightning in the southeast. We started clean and everyone was excited ... and decided to get more excited, imbibing in lots of beer and other things... I held back being a little apprehensive of my fellow crewmember's capabilities and I knew nothing about the boat.

To make a long story short, the lightning came up fast, we got hit hard with a blast that blew off the hatch cover which smashed the compass and then the lights went out. With an inexperienced crew, reefing was out of the question. After a short time the crew succumbed to the rising sea and alcohol, vomiting and diving below. Being the only somewhat sober one, I found myself on the tiller as she drove east on a starboard tack.

I had the time of my life. The rain stopped, the winds remained strong but manageable and the Lady was a magnificent sailor, strong, powerful and sliced through the waves with authority. I was ecstatic driving her all alone on deck, it was a spiritual experience.

But we didn't know where we were or where we were going. We had no lights, no power, no compass and no engine. After a couple of hours, the crew started to revolt and insist that we turn around and head back. I pointed out that if the winds had shifted, with a passing front, that going back would be sailing up Lake Michigan, about 400 miles. On the other hand if we held our course, we'd hit Michigan in 50 or Indiana in 100. They went below again.

After a couple of hours, I saw another sailboat below us. I fell off and slide underneath our neighbor, who was quite startled as our giant ghost ship appeared 30 feet below. I yelled "which way to Michigan" and he pointed straight ahead, so we pushed on. As the sky later began to lighten, I could see the outline of the trees ahead and yelled for crew to come up so we could tack south, guessing on the right direction.

It was a beautiful morning, but then the gusts started to rise and as we heeled over screams came from below. We were taking on water and there was fear of submerging, but we drove on, more delicately. If we sank at least we knew where shore was.

We did make it to Muskegon, one more tack up the channel, dropped sails and hard turned into a slip, almost stopping before crushing the dock. Later, it turned out that the crew had been doing work on the bilge pump and either did not reconnect the hose or wasn't clamped on tight. The starboard seacock was open so when we tacked onto port water started flowing in. If we had turned back during the mutiny, I might not be here to tell the tale and that beautiful Lady would be in 400 feet of very cold water ...

Lessons learned? 1) Never jump on an unknown boat with an unknown crew going across big water. 2) Never turn down the chance to get on a Q-boat.

OK, where are the untruths?

Ship Store...

Saturday, March 20th 10:00am to Noon

Featuring men's & women's clothing, hats, and boat accessories to include engaging swag items to flaunt on your boat, golf cart or just sailing around town.

****Covid-19 rules strictly enforced.*

Tuesday, March 23rd 6:00pm- 7:30pm

Featuring Dunedin Boat Club Logo'd items that are perfect for the Wine Tasting, upcoming Boat Club picnics or just a cocktail party with your friends.

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Claudia Walker & Rob, Ship Store Chairman

Sunshine...

Sheryl received her flowers and is recovering nicely.

***We have found a new Sunshine Committee Chair
for the 2021 season! Welcome Linda Fagan***

***Anyone who would like to get some sunshine,
please email me below before the first of the month.***

Linda Fagan, Sunshine committee chair, lfagan51@icloud.com



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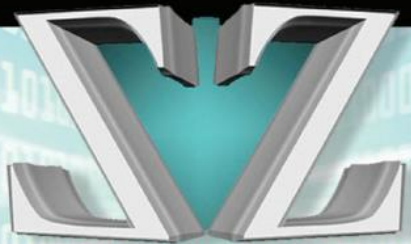
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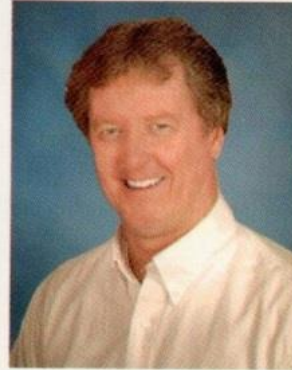
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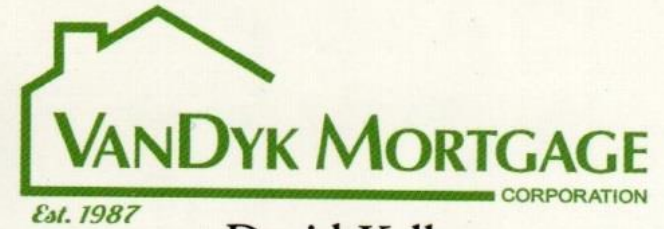
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