



# THE HARBOR CRIER

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# Commodore Corner...

## Ahoy Mates!

May is here and halfway through the month, and it is time to get out and go boating!

A good time was had by all who attended our first “Burn The Socks” event. Looks like this might be an annual party to add to our calendars in years to come. Our Kentucky Derby Night was again a success. Thank you to all those that helped make these events a success.

Our Gulf Series Regattas ended in April and Awards were handed out May 4<sup>th</sup>. Bay Summer Series starts this month and throughout the summer. Be sure to come out and watch at our clubhouse dock. Dates and times can be found in our online Racing Calendar.

## OPEN POSITION

- **Social Chair** – Renee Radalinsky has given us advance notice that she plans to retire from the Social Chair position at the end of this year. If you are interested, please reach out to Renee or any Board member to get more details. Again, If you would like to share the responsibility with someone, team up with a buddy as Co-Chairs.

## EMV (Every Member Volunteers)

### *Please volunteer early and often!*

As a reminder, we are a 100% volunteer organization!!

We have several upcoming volunteer opportunities. We have immediate needs for the following events in June:

- Island Party, June 10<sup>th</sup> at Compac Island

*How do you volunteer?* Simple! Send an email to Stacy at: [Volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org](mailto:Volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org)

**General  
Membership  
Meeting  
May 15<sup>th</sup>,  
7:00**



**Bill Goocher,**  
*Commodore,*  
[commodore@dunedinboatclub.org](mailto:commodore@dunedinboatclub.org)

# Vice Commodore...

**Laurie Ferguson** is going to be our guest speaker for this month's meeting. She is the harbormaster at Dunedin marina.

She is going to talk about hurricane preparedness for our boats, and give us an update on the pram shed.



**Craig Polito, Vice Commodore**



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  - Account number must be entered with a dash (ex: 1234-5678)
- Marina Advisory Committee**
- 3rd Monday of each month
  - Visit website for info <https://www.dunedingov.com/city-departments/government-calendar>
- Report Oil/Chemical Spills**
- **National Response Center** at 800-424-8802 and the Harbormaster.
  - **Spill kits** (bright yellow containers) are located on West Wall near Pram Shed and North Wall at Slip #3.

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# Marina Matters

May/June 2023

## Storm Season

Hurricane Season is quickly approaching, as well as increased thunderstorm activity. Many lessons were learned from last season, the most important of which is to never let your guard down. The one that we most fear is not necessarily the one that will cause the most damage.

Whether it is a hurricane or "just an afternoon thunderstorm", please be prepared and check your boat frequently.

- Conduct a thorough inspection of lines, chafing gear, etc. regularly.
- Order supplies ahead of the season while supply chains are still stocked.
- Keep boat trailers well maintained and ready for use in case a storm threatens our area.
- Assign an alternate person to be responsible for securing your vessel in the event that you are not available. Provide the Marina office with their contact information. Monitor all email communications from the Marina and the City, and add both to your safe sender list. If you change your email address, send us an email notification so our records are up-to-date.

## Pram Shed Replacement

The demolition and construction of the Pram Shed on the west side of the marina has been awarded to Qualis General Contractors. The project will begin next month. We will email the start date and further details as soon information becomes available.



## Buying A Boat?

**Selling your boat or buying a new one?**

Please be sure to contact the Marina office for information prior to making your purchase. The new boat must fit the requirements for the slip.



Staff is often asked if there are any boats for sale in the marina. If you would like us to pass the vessel information on to potential buyers, please send us an email with details.

## Marina Reminders

**Vessels must** be kept operable and in safe, seaworthy, well-maintained, and presentable condition at all times.

**No hazardous or flammable liquids** are permitted to be stored on any docks within the marina. Fuels carried upon the docks must be in DOT, UL or FM approved containers and the contents clearly marked.

**Maintenance** is ongoing throughout the year. Please report issues directly to the marina office to ensure that staff is aware and can respond to maintenance needs as quickly as possible.

**Cars without marina permits** that occupy "permit only" spaces can be reported to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office by calling the non-emergency line at 727-582-6200.

## Upcoming Events

- **City Hall Ribbon Cutting and Grand Opening**—Friday, May 19th 5:30 pm.
- **Sunset Music Series**—Every Friday in May from 7-9:30 at Weaver Park

# Social Committee...

Looking for an Individual or Group for the Social Chair position- I will be retiring as of December 31, 2023

If we want to continue having great events please volunteer to take this position - great way to meet the members! Contact me at 727 631 6200.

Kentucky Derby was a wonderful success, as always - Thank you Cindy Cole - Past Commodore for Hosting and all the volunteers that made this a huge fun event!

Thank you

**Renee Radalinsky, *Social Chair***



# Social Committee...

## ISLAND PARTY 2023

SATURDAY JUNE 10TH

11AM TO 3PM

This is THE ONE We Have Been Waiting For!

Boat over to Compac Island

Contests and Games!

Water Mellon Sailboat Race

Egg Toss & Cornhole Throw

Bring a Dish to Share

Captain Dave Becker's

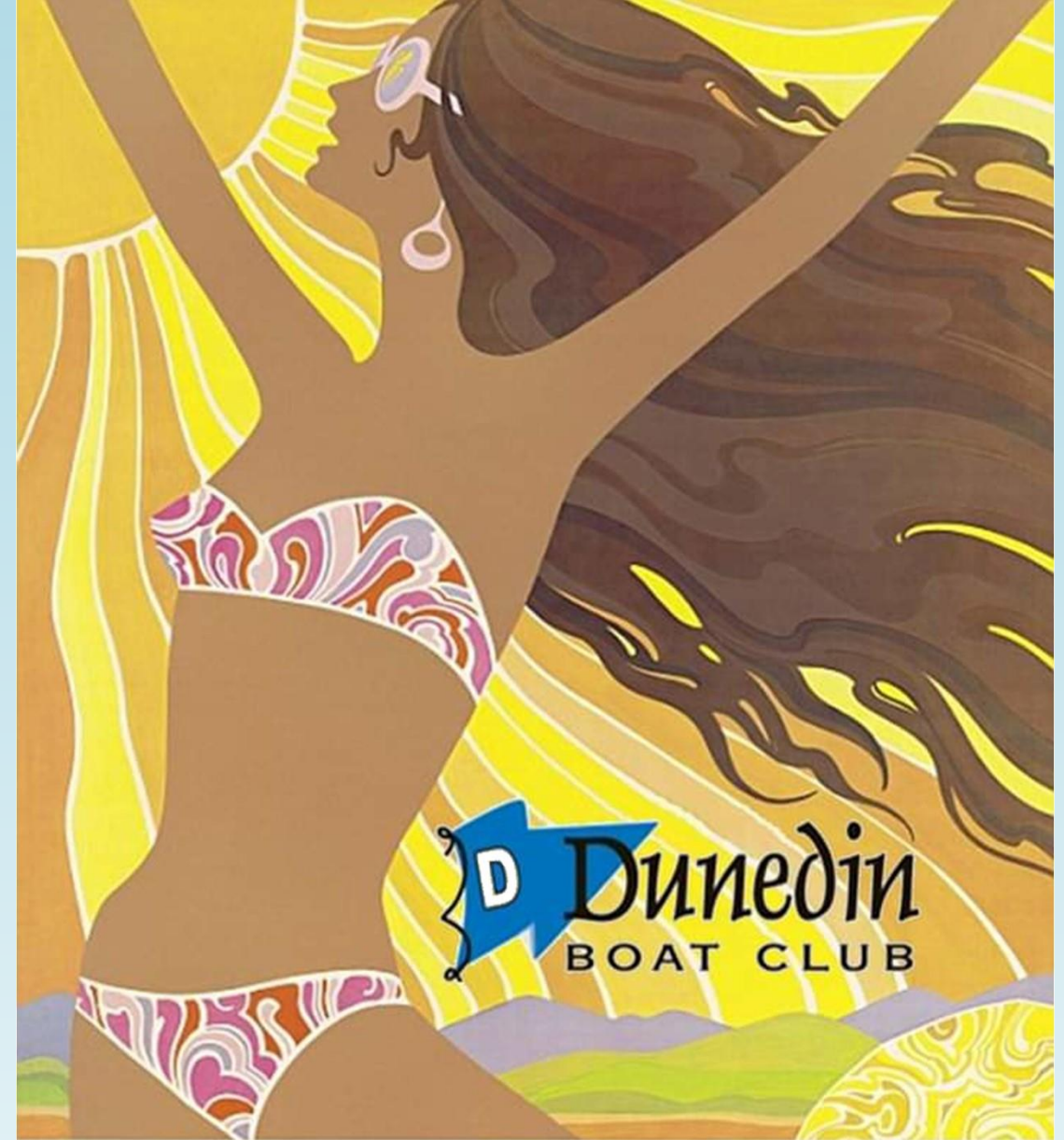
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[www.dunedinboatclub.org/event-5247362](http://www.dunedinboatclub.org/event-5247362)

**Renee Radalinsky**, *Social Chair*



**ISLAND PARTY**  
**SATURDAY JUNE 10TH 2023**



## **SHOT GLASSES, UMBRELLAS COOLER BAGS!**

We have had a great time meeting fellow members at our recent sales during the Kentucky Derby and Sunset get together.

We have added shot glasses, charcuterie boards, umbrellas and sandwich cooler bags to our inventory.

Our next sale will be at the general meeting on 6/19/23.

Come by and take a look!

**Jeri Elliston, Jeanne Blain and Irene Brandenberger, Ship Store Committee**

**Ship's Store!**  
**General Meeting**  
**May 15th**  
**6 pm – 7 pm**



# Cruising Corner...

## Cruising Group Meeting

A meeting of the club's Cruising Group was held on April 24 at the club house. The topic for the meeting was Anchoring. A big thank you to Captain Rob Cozen for providing his excellent insights. A copy of the presentation has been posted on the Club Cruising Forum.

## Upcoming Events

**May 15 to 25 – 5 to 10 day Cruise to Crystal River – Gary Shellenberger**

We presently have 3 boats and 10 members registered for this cruise, including 2 members that plan to drive up and meet up with the flotilla in King's Bay

**June 10 – Island Party at Compac Island – Craig Polito**

More information and registration is available on the website.



# Cruising Corner...

We have had about 70 members that have registered or attended Cruising Group activities so far this year. A good start on putting the “B” back in the DBC.

Some interesting information has been added to the Cruising Forum and Impromptu Cruising Forum pages including: On the water restaurants and how NOT to anchor. If you want to stay abreast of club boating activities, be sure to subscribe to the Cruising Forums under the Members Only area of the website.

## Upcoming Boating Activities:

- Crystal River 5 to 10 day Cruise – May 10 – 25th
- Annual Island Party on Compac Island – June 10
- Palm Pavilion Gathering and Cruise – Aug. 19
- Commodore’s Caladesi Thanksgiving Weekend Trip  
Day Cruise with Overnight Option – Nov. 24

As always, if you have any questions or suggestions, feel free to contact Carrie or me directly.

**Gary Shellenberger**

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Cruising Committee Co-Chair

**Carrie Grimwade**

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Cruising Committee Co-Chair

*Watermelon  
Race, Island  
Party 2021*





# Race Committee...

We completed the Gulf Series Race April 22nd. We had enough winds to race the long course, making it a great sailing day. First place went to Paul Guidi of “You Know Who”. The results were posted to the DBC Race Website. Many Thanks to our Signal Boat (Dream Ketcher) with Captain Chris and Tracy Gattos. And the race committee had a great day with a running another successful race. On board were: Stacy Muellers, Michelle Miller, Jude Zentmeyer, Larry O’Conner and Majid Abrari.

The DBC Race Committee held an Awards Ceremony on Friday May 4, hosted by Carol and Harold Elwood. Awards and recognition to all that make these races were presented.

The Next Regatta is the Bay Summer Series which began May 12, 2023 in St. Joseph Sound. Remaining dates are: May 26, June 9, and June 23.

Thank you to our DBC Advisory Committee, our RC Crew, our competitors, there Crew, our DBC Members and our CYC Teammates for a nice Race Committee celebration and recognition of our Spring Regatta Results.

**Amy Gau**, *Race Committee Chair*, [abgau@sbcglobal.net](mailto:abgau@sbcglobal.net), 262.227.6465

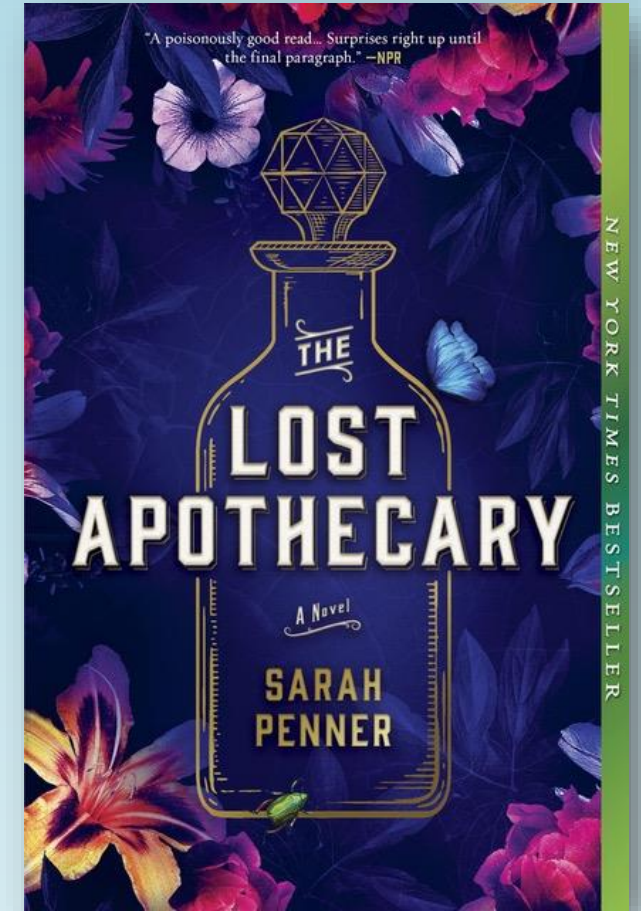


# Book Club...

The Book Club's next meeting is Wed., June 14, at 7pm. Sign up on the Event section of the Boat Club website.

The book selection is "**The Lost Apothecary: A Novel**," by *Sarah Penner*.

In eighteenth-century London, a secret apothecary shop caters to women across the city selling well-disguised poisons to use against the oppressive men in their lives. In present-day London, an aspiring historian spends her tenth wedding anniversary alone, running from her own demons. When she stumbles upon a clue to the unsolved apothecary murders that haunted London two hundred years ago, her life collides with the apothecary's—and not everyone will survive.



For more reading inspiration checkout our book list:  
<https://dunedinboatclub.org/bookclub>

**Sharon Grimshaw**, *Book Club Chairperson*, [sgrimshaw983@gmail.com](mailto:sgrimshaw983@gmail.com)

# Blood Drive...

**June 7th**

8:30 AM - 2:00 PM

Marina Parking Lot,

Across from

Olde Bay Cafe

As part of our ongoing commitment to our local community the Dunedin Boat Club is sponsoring a Blood Drive.

*Twenty seven pints of blood were collected during our blood drives in 2022 and eighty one lives were saved. Thank you all!*

Our dates for 2023 are listed below and are posted on the website. Links to register will be provided closer to the event.

**Next event - June 7, September 12, December 13**



# Volunteers...

Thank you to the many members and prospective members who volunteered to support the Kentucky Derby Party!

Our Volunteer Spotlight this month is on Eric Graves. Eric and his wife, Ruth, became members in 2022. They're active with the kayaking group. Eric was instrumental in his support of the Fishing Tournament last year as a runner on the day of the tournament. He also recently helped pressure wash the clubhouse during a workday and he served as a mark boat for the Dunedin Cup race last fall.

Anyone interested in volunteering please send an email to [volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org](mailto:volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org)



**Stacey Muellers**, *Volunteer Committee Chair*, 941-448-3423

# Insights...



## May Highlight

*Rosemary O'Hara*

*Since 2021*

### **In retirement, Rosemary O'Hara puts down pen and picks up paddle**

Before retiring to Dunedin two years ago, Rosemary Goudreau O'Hara was the editorial page editor of the South Florida Sun Sentinel in Fort Lauderdale, a position she held for eight years. Previously, she was editorial page editor of The Tampa Tribune. Over the course of her 44-year journalism career, she also worked at newspapers in Miami, Orlando, Cincinnati, Norfolk and Washington, D.C.

Rosemary has served on several state and national journalism boards. She has regularly appeared — and continues to appear — on television and radio roundtable shows. She has been inducted into the University of Florida College of Journalism's Hall of Fame. And Influence Magazine twice named her one of the 100 most influential people in Florida politics.



# Insights...

In 2019, Rosemary was a member of the Sun Sentinel team that won the Pulitzer Prize for Public Service for coverage of the many government breakdowns in and around the shooting rampage at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland.

In 2018, with colleagues from the Miami Herald and Palm Beach Post, she launched an editorial board collaborative — called The Invading Sea — that has helped raise awareness and engagement on the need for Florida to address climate change and sea-level rise. Her effort helped spur South Florida's business community to similarly form a three-county collaborative to demand state and federal action on resilience, a push that has seen some real success.

Rosemary is now enjoying retirement with her husband, Tom O'Hara, who similarly was a top newspaper editor. Tom was the managing editor of the Cleveland Plain Dealer and before that, the Palm Beach Post. He also taught full-time at The Ohio State University and Florida Atlantic University. He also served our country in Vietnam.

Rosemary grew up on the shores of Lake Superior, where historical markers commemorate her family's role in the development of the region's commercial fishing industry. Though not a boat owner, she enjoys boating with friends, kayaking, long walks on the beach, book discussions, tai chi, Zumba Gold, concerts and plays, Thirsty Thursdays at TD Ballpark, becoming rooted in Dunedin and making friends in the Dunedin Boat Club, where she currently serves as Membership Chair.





***If you hear of anyone from our  
Dunedin Boat Club family that needs  
a little sunshine, please call Deb to  
reach out and brighten their day!***

**Deb Tronvig**, *Sunshine committee chair, [datronvig@gmail.com](mailto:datronvig@gmail.com), 727-748-3743*

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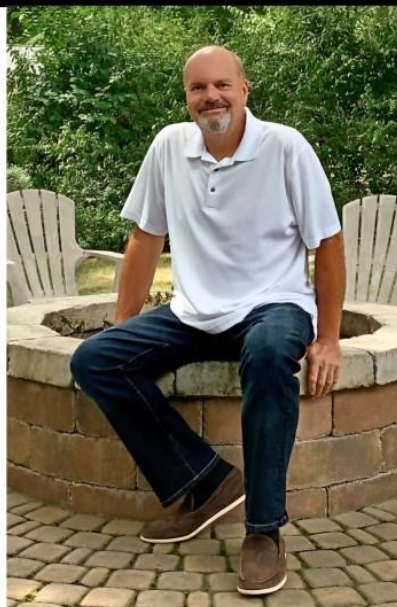
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