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Commodore Corner...

Ahoy Mates! With the temps dropping several degrees over the past week it is a great time to get on the water!

PUT THE “B” BACK IN DBC

- **Dunedin Cup Regatta and Dinner** – The Dunedin Cup 2023 and the Awards Dinner is in the record books. A big thank you to:
 - The Skippers and crews who participated in the race.
 - Amy Gau, Racing Chair, Chris Dolan, Race Officer, and all the many volunteers who helped make this year’s Dunedin Cup a success!
 - Renee Radalinsky, Social Chair, Michelle Miller, Chef Extraordinaire, and all the many volunteers who provided everyone with an outstanding dinner and awards event. The food was exceptional!
- **Fall Regatta Gulf Series** – There are two more scheduled regattas on the calendar for the Fall, October 21st and November 11th. If you are interested in participating as a skipper, crew or volunteer, contact Amy Gau, Racing Chair for details.
- **Commodore’s Annual Caladesi Thanksgiving Weekend Trip** – Forget “Black Friday” and hold the date for Friday, November 24. This is an annual DBC tradition we are reinstating this year. Harold and Lucindy Schomaker have volunteered to host the event and plan to stay overnight on Friday night. All members are welcome to attend for either a day trip or an overnight stay for those with cabin cruisers. If staying overnight, it is highly recommended you book your reservation via the “Caladesi Island State Park” website. It is always a fun day on Caladesi and a fun evening around the campfire on Friday night. I hope to see you there!



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

Commodore Corner... (continued)

EMV (EVERY MEMBER VOLUNTEERS) – Volunteer Early and Often!!

We are a 100% volunteer organization. EVERY MEMBER IS EXPECTED TO VOLUNTEER EACH YEAR! When was the last time you volunteered to help with an event at DBC, Chair a committee, work on a committee, help with a clubhouse cleanup, etc.?

We have several upcoming volunteer opportunities.

- **How do you volunteer? Two ways, and both are simple!**
 - Send an email to Stacy Mullers at: Volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org
 - Check out the available volunteer needs and self-register to volunteer via our NEW online volunteer registration and tracking system. The following is a link to our webpage where you can select from various event and self-register for specific volunteer positions. I have used the new system a few times and it works great!
<https://www.dunedinboatclub.org/volunteering>

OPEN COMMITTEE CHAIR POSITIONS FOR 2024

Continuing the spirit of EMV, we are actively looking for volunteers to Chair the following committees starting in 2024. If you are interested in volunteering for any of these positions, please reach out to me for more details. I hope to hear from you!

- Kayaking Chair
- Sunshine Chair
- Website Chair

Commodore Corner... (continued)

FLATS CLASSIC FISHING TOURNAMENT WITH DINNER GALA AND AUCTION

This Thursday and Friday is our annual fishing tournament fundraiser to support local charities. This is a joint fundraiser between the Dunedin Boat Club and the Dunedin Rotary (Downtown Chapter). The Dinner Gala and Auction is scheduled for October 12th and the Fishing Tournament is the following day on October 13th. If you know of anyone who might be interested in being a sponsor for the event, please reach out to Linda Christle or Harold Schomaker.

Details of the events can be found at the Flats Classic Tournament website:

<https://www.stjosephsoundflatsclassic.com/>

DUNEDIN CARES FOOD DRIVE – WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT:

As the holidays are fast approaching, DBC is sponsoring a food drive to support our local Dunedin Cares food pantry. Thank you to Happy Jordan, PC, for volunteering to coordinate DBC's participation in the food drive. Please support this important effort that helps so many in our local community. Additional details on how you can donate are in the newsletter below.

IMPORTANT NOTE: PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF / LEAVE FOOD ITEMS UNATTENDED AT THE CLUBHOUSE.

I hope to see you at the next DBC Event. Until then, may you have fair winds and following seas.

Bill Goocher, Commodore, commodore@dunedinboatclub.org



Vice Commodore...

Joy Sheets from Florida Women's Sailing Association (FWSA) will be our guest speaker for the October Meeting on Monday the 16th.

Joy Sheets is one of the few people you will meet who is an actual Florida native. She was born and raised in Pensacola, Florida. After working and raising three children, she settled in Dunedin and went full speed into sailing. She joined Windlasses in 2016 and has served as the Windlasses Race Chair three seasons. Joy is also a Day Sailer owner and member of the Day Sailer Association and has raced in national events in both the Sunfish and Day Sailor classes. She is currently the President of the Florida Women's Sailing Association (FWSA).



Craig Polito, *Vice Commodore*



Nomination Committee...

This is your opportunity to shape the direction of the Boat Club in the coming year. You can nominate other DBC Members or yourself for any of the open positions. Details will be included in the email that will let you know how to submit your completed form.

You can contact any Nominating Committee Member with any questions. Please return to me by email, in person, or by mail by October 31st, but the earlier, the better, please.

[DBC 2024 Nomination Form.pdf](#)



Cindy Cole, *Nominating Committee Chair*



Nominations for the 2024 DBC Bridge and Board

This time every year, the Dunedin Boat Club Members elect the incoming Board and Bridge Leadership. The DBC Board consists of 8 positions that determine the direction the DBC will take in the coming year. The Bridge positions are the Secretary, Purser, Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore and Commodore. These 5 positions work with the DBC Board on implementing the Bylaws and Rules of the Club.

Please write your nomination next to the positions listed below. Then sign and date the form. You can then email the form to Cindy Cole (butchandcindy@outlook.com) or bring your completed Nominations Form to the General Membership Meeting on September 18th, 2023 or October 16th 2023.

- Commodore _____ Vice-Commodore _____
- Rear Commodore _____ Purser (Treasurer) _____
- Secretary _____ Board Member _____

Print your name _____
Signature _____
Date _____

Nominations must be received by to November 3rd, 2023

Social Committee...

It's that time of the year again!

The world-famous "**Wheelbarrow of Cheer**" is to be auctioned off again at the St. Joseph Sound Flats Classic Gala and Auction at the Dunedin Golf Club on Thursday night October 12th.

The "**Wheelbarrow of Cheer**" is an old and honored Dunedin Boat Club fundraising tradition. However, there is one small problem...as you see the "**Wheelbarrow of Cheer**" is almost empty! (One lonely bottle is in it now, sniff!)

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Look into your liquor cabinet and grab that unopened bottle of scotch or bourbon your cousin brought down as a gift, that you will never drink! Or that bottle of wine you bought for a special night and never used! **NOTHING OPENED** or go to your local liquor store and pick up a bottle or 2!!!

HOW TO DONATE:

Terry Hopkins will coordinate with you to get your bottle into the "Wheelbarrow of Cheer". Cell number: 727-303-4703.



Social Committee...

October 12: St. Joseph Sound 2023 Flats Classic Fishing Tournament

Register online. More information in the Fishing Report



Renee Radalinsky
Social Chair

October 28: Halloween Party

Return of the scary Halloween Party. Bring a dish to share.
Register online.

Dunedin Boat Club is collecting food items for Dunedin Cares Food Pantry October 30 through December 22.

PLEASE NOTE: Dunedin Cares cannot accept any used or opened food items. All packages must be within expiration and factory-sealed. Please no clothing or household goods.

Here is a link to their current wish list! <https://www.dunedincares.org/wish-list/>

PLEASE BRING FOOD TO DBC EVENTS (we don't want our 4 legged furry friends to partake)

OR DROP OFF AT DUNEDIN CARES at 1630 Pinehurst Road and mention it's a donation from DBC so we get credit!



Happy Jordan,
Board Member, Food Drive Chair

Dunedin BOAT CLUB
Chicken Noodle SOUP
Glycerin JUICE

FOOD DRIVE

FOR THE DUNEDIN CARES FOOD PANTRY
BRING YOUR FOOD DONATIONS TO THE DBC GENERAL MEMBERS MEETING
MONDAY NOVEMBER 21ST

FOOD DRIVE

Holiday

Oct 30th - Dec 22nd

TO FEED ALL STARVING FAMILIES

Dunedin Cares Community Food Pantry
1630 Pinehurst Road Dunedin, FL 34698
www.DunedinCares.org



Cruising Corner...

Cruising Group Meeting

- We had a Cruising Group Meeting on Sep.25 at the club house. A big thank you to Carol Elwood who provided a short presentation on First Aid for Cruisers. We also reviewed the cruising tools available to members on the DBC website, and discussed possible cruises for this fall. Some possible cruises included Gulfport, Mandalay Channel, and Anclote Key. A copy of this presentation has been uploaded to the DBC Cruising Forum on our website. If you want to review the presentation, log in to the website, and click on [Dunedin Boat Club - Cruising Mtg Presentation 9/25/23 - First Aid.](#)
- We need volunteers to host some day cruise events this fall. If interested contact Gary Shellenberger or Carrie Grimwade.
- We are evaluating a group text messaging app to provide easier and faster communication between members interested in participating in Impromptu Cruising events.



Cruising Corner...

Upcoming Boating Activities:

- TBD? – The Heat is Gone time to go cruising. Stay tuned for upcoming announcements – contact Gary Shellenberger or Carrie Grimwade if you have suggestions
- Nov 3 – Tour of the Port of Tampa – Get an up-close view of the operations of the Port of Tampa aboard the Starship Yacht. Tours are free. Reservations should open in Mid-October. see [Port Tampa Bay Harbor Tours | Port Tampa Bay \(porttb.com\)](http://PortTampaBayHarborTours.com) or contact Gary Shellenberger
- Nov 4 – Join the Dolphin Cruising Club of Tampa Bay and the St. Pete Power Squadron for their Fall Kickoff Cruise at Emerson Point on the Manatee River. – Contact Gary Shellenberger if interested
- Nov. 24 - Commodore's Caladesi Thanksgiving Weekend Trip – Day Cruise with Overnight Option. If you plan to stay overnight you need to make reservations as soon as possible. The outer slips on the C Dock are already booked for that weekend – Contact Harold Schomaker

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

Gary Shellenberger Carrie Grimwade
Cruising Committee Co-Chair Cruising Committee Co-Chair



Race Committee...

Dunedin Boat Club's 39th Dunedin Cup, our Signature Event, was an enormous success! The Dunedin Boat Club was formed in 1929, 94 years ago. The charter was to promote sailing activities in the local waters near the City of Dunedin. Saturday night, we celebrated that original charter with this lovely dinner followed by awards.

We had great sailing weather for a course of 9 nautical miles. Winds started off at 7 mph and reached 10-11 at the end of the race. As the sailboats crossed the finish line, there were lots of smiling faces.



Race Committee...

Thank you to our Signal Boat Captain Reinhard Optiz from Clearwater Yacht Club. What a very special captain with so much knowledge and wisdom.

Thank you to our PRO, Professional Race Officer, Chris Dollin. Chris PRO's for clubs all around the Tampa area and brought so much experience and wisdom to the regatta.

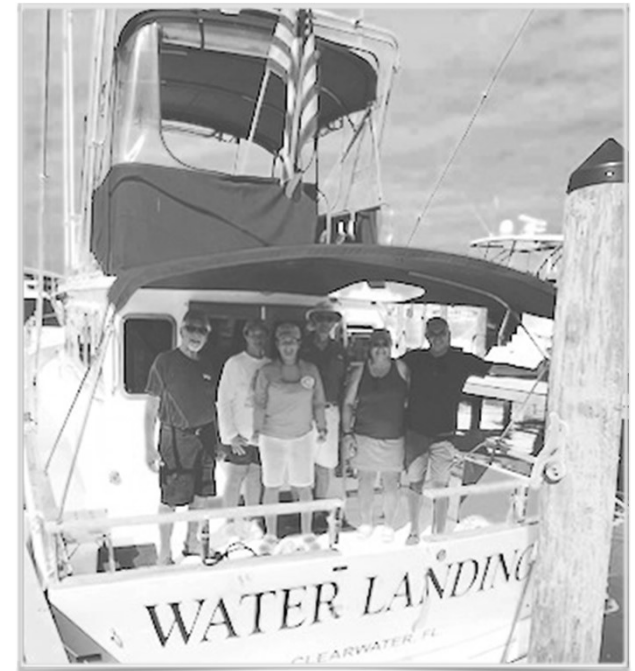
Pin and Mark Boats! Rob Cozen, Bill Goocher, Craig Polito and Rob Walker. Super big thanks to these guys for making sure that the course was setup and they were armed and ready to make any course changes if Mother Nature developed an attitude.

More thank you goes out to The Race Committee!

On the signal boat was Larry O'Conner, Jude Zentmeyer, Majid Abrari and myself.



Amy Gau
Race Committee Chair



Race Committee...

Finally, we had two Race Committee members, Michelle Miller and Renee Radalinsky stay on shore. They worked for days to plan, budget, shop, prepare and put on amazing Dunedin Cup dinner. They raised the bar Saturday night with an amazing Surf and Turf dinner which included a spectacular salad bar and chocolate mousse. Everyone raved about how fabulous the dinner was, I don't know how it can be topped for the 40th, 2024 Dunedin Cup!

39th DUNEDIN CUP RESULTS

Spinnaker Class:

1st Place You Know Who – Skipper Paul Guidi

2nd Place Mar Y Sol – Skipper Dave Kelly

Cruising Class:

1st Place Red Sky – Skipper Charles Mixon

2nd Island Hopper – Skipper Carol Elwood

3rd Riva – Skipper Tish Wold



Amy Gau
Race Committee Chair

Volunteers...

Upcoming volunteer opportunities include:

- **Halloween Party** - October 28 - Serve Food and Clean-up; 60–90 minute shifts
- **Chili Cook-Off** - November 10 - Clean-up
- **Holiday Party** - December 9 - Registration, Serve Food, Tend Bar, Clean-Up

To sign up, go to the link below and click on the event for which you're interested in volunteering.

<https://dunedinboatclub.org/volunteering>

Please send any inquiries about volunteering to volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org

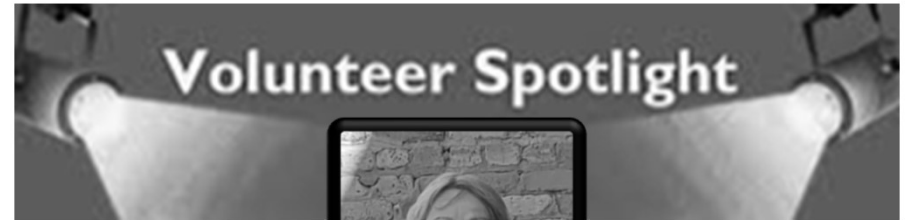


Stacey Muellers

Volunteer Committee Chair

941-448-3423

Please send any inquiries about volunteering to volunteer@dunedinboatclub.org



Our Volunteer Spotlight this month is on: **Jeanine Metts**

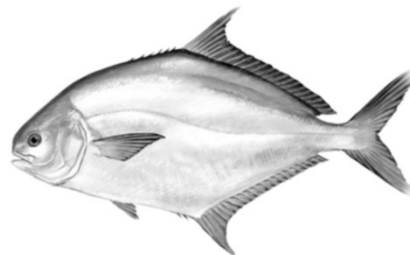
Our Volunteer Spotlight this month is on **Jeanine Metts**. Jeanine and her husband Howard became members in 2013. Jeanine has been a very active member and volunteer. She is the publisher of our monthly newsletter and is active in book club, kayaking, fishing and cruising. She acts as photographer for many of our events and organizes the photo archives on our website. She volunteers for many of our events including the Race Committee for 3 years, Dunedin Cup Awards Dinner and US Open Sailing Championship. She collected valuable auction items for the inaugural St. Joseph Sound Flats Classic and has participated in the racing in the past.

Fishing Report...

The water has cooled down and the bait fish have arrived in mass. Eric Graves and I spent a day about 2 miles off Clearwater Beach chasing the bait schools and casting gotcha lures, chrome jigs, and paddle tails. We ended up with 3 Spanish Mackerel in the boat and landed a dozen Bonita of which I kept 7 for my stone crab traps. We also landed several large ladyfish and had several cut offs from large mackerel.

Stone crab season opens on the 15th of this month and you are allowed to place your traps in the water 10 days in advance. I just finished the repairs to our traps and will place them in the water this weekend.

Inshore fishing has been good in the passes with pompano hitting banana jigs and trout and mackerel hitting paddle tails. Redfish are starting to school and can be found in the oyster beds . I received word today that the Belleair Causeway has schooling redfish that can be caught using both live and cut baits. Get out there and fish!



Howard Metts,
Fishing Committee Chair
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727-631-4191



Book Club...

The Book Club's next meeting is Wed., Nov. 8, at 7pm.

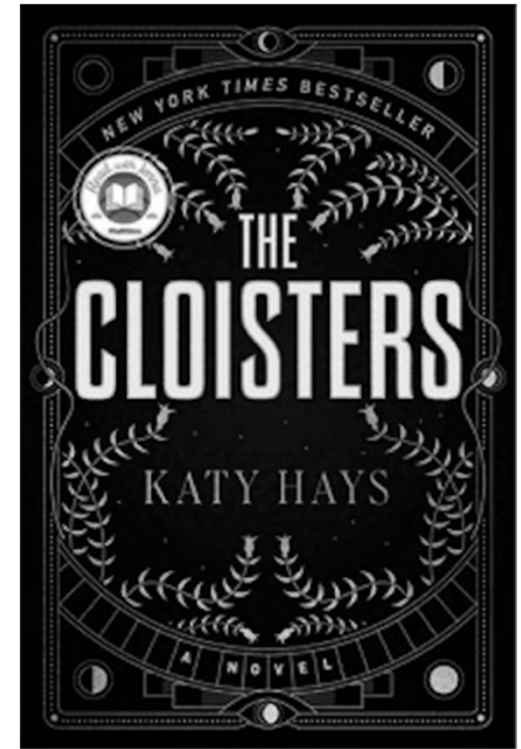
Sign up on the Event section of the Boat Club website.

The book selection is **"The Cloisters: A Novel,"** by **Katy Hays.**

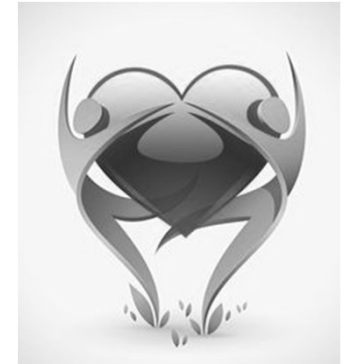
Arriving in New York City, Ann Stilwell expects to spend her summer working as an associate at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Instead, she's assigned to The Cloisters, a museum and gardens renowned for its medieval art collection and enigmatic researchers. Ann indulges their theories about the history of fortune telling. But what begins as academic curiosity quickly turns into obsession when she discovers an old deck of tarot cards that might hold the key to predicting the future.



Sharon Grimshaw,
Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com



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



Our thoughts and prayers go out to Kim Beaty, PC. Kim and Debby were on vacation in Italy when Kim had an episode with his heart. A few of scary days and a couple of stints later, Kim was discharged from the hospital and Kim, Debbie were finally able to fly home. Kim is resting and recovering at home.

The Sunshine position is open for 2024. Please contact Bill Goocher if you are interested.

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, 727-748-3743





Ship's Store is Open - Sunset Porch Sale

When: 10/20/2023 5:30 PM, EDT - 7:30 PM, EDT

We have some new wine totes, pillows, fanny packs, clutches and emergency kits for her and him! New company-new ideas 😊

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Jeri Elliston Jeanne Blain and Irene Brandenberger,
Ship Store Committee

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