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Commodore's Corner

by Dorothy Connor

Reflections on the Art of Travel



As many of you know, Clay and I took an anniversary trip to visit friends in eastern France. We went with our friends, both of whom are also retired teachers to the Daffodil Festival in Gerardmer, a ski resort in Lorraine where spring brings a

carpet of daffodils that cover the mountain meadows. Their parade is much like the rose parade except that the flowers are native wildflowers. The whole community enjoys building the floats- it reminded me a great deal of Mardi Gras evening last February. We then drove through the Jura mountains and the Alps to Provence for holiday.

We spent the days seeing the countryside from big cities such as Avignon to small villages like Gordes which hangs on the side of a gorge-spectacular. We took a wine tour where we enjoyed the wines of the Rhone valley, a lavender tour and went to the Carmague, an area of the coast at the Rhone River Delta where we saw the French cousins of our egrets and herons but in the company of storks and swans. By boat, we toured the estuaries,



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Upcoming Events At A Glance...

June 18

Island Party

June 20

General Membership Mtg.

July 5

Board Meeting

July 16

Annual Pig Roast

July 18

General Membership Mtg.

August 21

Fu Fu Party

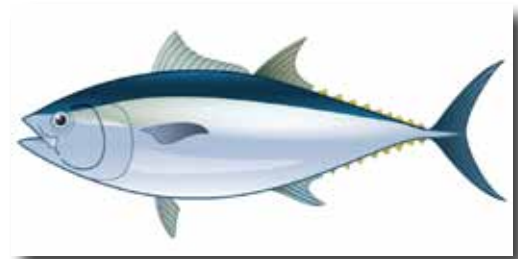


Vice Commodore *by Happy*



I want to thank Stewart Aames with Gone Fishing Charters for speaking at the April meeting – I know where to catch Red Fish now and will do so this month!! He's got some great charters – name your fish and he'll help you catch them 727-421-5291.

Hank Epstein spoke to us in May about his 'underwater' trip in the Polynesian Islands. The photos were beautiful and made me want to see what's out at Dunedin Reef. Thank you Hank!



If you missed the Fish Fry you missed a good time. Many, many thanks to all who came out and supported the Dunedin Scottish Highlander Band from Dunedin High School. They played around the marina, danced at the



dock, and serenaded us at sunset and we raised \$345 for their efforts! Thank you Pipers!

The June meeting will include a wine tasting before the meeting by Lion's Head winery which is located on SR580 and Belcher. Bring an appetizer to share. Peter Kolb will do a short talk about his recent sailboat race from Charleston to Bermuda.



The Board passed several new policies and procedures concerning Clubhouse use. The list is in the Policy and Procedure Manual on the bar. In particular is the Checklist that should be followed when leaving the Clubhouse. It is also posted on the 'fridge and by the East door to the porch! See page 5 in this Newsletter for the complete checklist.

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The Blessing of the Fleet was held May 21



Twenty-two boats were blessed by Pastor Becky Robbins Penniman from The Church of the Good Shepherd. Pastor Becky allocated our donation to the church's contingency fund which is used to help parishioners in need.

Thanks to Carol Cretella, Judy Ritchie, Peggy Schott, Mary Kolb, John Lowe and to all those that brought a dish to share for the luncheon.

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Rear Commodore

Peter Kolb

Bringing Up The Rear

Willing and active members were on deck for the Clubhouse Clean-up and Fix-up Day, Saturday, May 7. More than expected was accomplished.

Roger Harris cleaned the blinds. John & Dottie Grygiel cleaned the windows, inside and out, plus lubricated the hinges. Bernie Buird fixed the east door jam. Nancy Crane washed out the frig, cleaned up the stove and rest of the kitchen. Sage Piotrowski, Chris Gattas, Liz Graham, and Dennis Plath trimmed and weeded all around. Kim Beatty cleaned out behind the bar and hung many plaques and pictures. Victor Brunst cleaned fan blades and light fixtures. John Lowe came by to encourage everyone. Lee Ramsey moved all the tables & chairs, swept underneath and stowed everything in order. George and Peggy Schott came by. Sam McVicker and Jim Graham built a cabinet to protect the A/V equipment. I'm sure there were others I missed by the time this is written. Great Job Everyone – you exceeded our expectations.

Still on our list of projects are the east porch stringers and cleaning out the attic storage. Time will tell.

Everyone is asked to keep an eye out for small piles of saw dust or termite swarms. June and July are swarming months. We want to be sure we don't let anything get away from us which will cause further damage.

Help is also appreciated with set-up and clean-up for events. Next is the Island Party. Ferrying supplies and friends is a great way to meet new folks on the water. All hands on deck.

See you soon on the Island. Blessings and Smooth Sailing. From the Rear, Peter Kolb

BOOK CLUB MEETING

CLARIFICATION JUDY'S NUMBER IS THIS ONE IN RED

Because of the holiday, next month the Book Club will meet on the second Wednesday, July 13.

The host will be Judy Ritchie, 950 Emerson Drive, Dunedin.

The book will be any book by Carl Hiaasen. There are so many to choose from, most take place in one place or another in Florida so you know the places when they are mentioned.

Bought one at the book store over the weekend \$7.99, called Sick Puppy!!! hmmm

Please RSVP either to the DBC website (there is a BOOKS button), or to **Judy at 410-2463**.

ALSO BRING BATHING SUIT FOR A DIP IN THE HOT TUB AFTER THE MEETING

or firstmate28@tampabay.rr.com

The books for the next two months will be:

August - Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen

September - The Charm School by Nelson DeMille

Dunedin Boat Club Member Checklist

An informal gathering shall consist of no more than 8 persons per membership (single or family) including the member. Any type of gathering formal or informal with more than 10 attendees must have approval from the Board/Bridge.

Member must leave the clubhouse and grounds cleaner than it was found.

1. Kitchen –The kitchen must be left clean – dishes washed and put away, counter tops and stove wiped, refrigerator cleaned out, floors swept and spills wiped up. Leftovers must be removed from the building.
2. Bathrooms – Counter tops must be wiped down, sinks wiped out, floor swept, and trash taken out. Do not clean your feet in the sinks – there is a shower on the north side of the building.
3. Furniture may be moved around but must be put back where it belongs. Artwork may not be moved. All folding tables and chairs must be wiped down and put away.
4. Main Room – must be swept out, furniture put back in place, and all trash removed to the bins on the north side of the building. Fans and lights must be turned off and blinds lowered.
5. Doors and windows must be closed and locked and lights and ceiling fans tuned off.
6. SMOKING IS NOT PERMITTED IN THE BUILDING.
7. Small decorations such as rice, confetti, sequins, and glitter are not permitted. Freestanding decorations only are allowed: no tape, string, tacks, glue, or staples may be used to attach to walls.
8. Alcohol may be served; however, Dunedin Boat Club is not responsible for any injury or property damage caused by intoxication. Alcohol may not be sold. You must be of legal age to consume alcohol on the premises.



Dunedin Youth Sailing Association has just ended their second successful season and is getting ready for the fall session starting in September. We will again serve 24 student sailors some of whom will be returning for the 3rd season with us and will be getting in shape to race. The DYSA plans on entering 3 Regattas this next fall/spring season with our own Dunedin Cup being one of them in October. The Clearwater sailing program has been abandoned (temporarily only) I

hope. This is all the more reason for DYSA to reach out in our club and in the community for financial assistance to help bring quality sailing instruction to our youth in the community. It's our responsibility to promote boating and more importantly "sailing" in our youth. After all we wouldn't believe it was important if we didn't belong to this great boating organization called the Dunedin Boat Club. DYSA is charging \$165 for a 9 week session which is the most affordable in our area and maybe on the west central coast of Florida. So get on board and help with your heart, your time, your talents and your wallets. This may be one of the most important legacy's you can leave your community and our kids. At least come to the Regatta Ball in September for good food, good friends, and a good cause the DYSA.

Thanks.

Rod Collman, President
Dunedin Youth Sailing Association
Past Commodore Dunedin Boat Club



It's Island Party Time

Mon!

Saturday, June 18th. Compac Island across from the Marina

Fee is only \$10.00 per person and can be paid at the party on the island! RSVP by Wednesday June 15! or you don't eat!

One of our ALL time favorite parties, a Tropical Island Adventure! Rum Punch with a real PUNCH in it, from Captan Dave's secret recipe, and shrimp cooked only the way it tastes in the islands!

Games on the island include the WORLD FAMOUS watermelon race! This race is renowned throughout Florida and the northern edges of the Caribbean. Ask Captan Dave or other boat members for the rules.

-The Tropical Island Adventure will require you to BYOEVERYTHING- bring what you plan to drink during your stay, sunscreen, towels, chairs, whatever you need to survive on an island with NO BATHROOM! Plus bring a dish to share and any serving spoons required.

A sign up list is available for volunteers to, transport tents, tables and coolers and help set up Sat. morning. Help serve and cleanup food. Help plan and run games. Take down and transport tents, tables and coolers back to the clubhouse at end of day. Cleanup and put away tents, tables and coolers on Sunday

RSVP Helpers CAPTAN DAVE!

Party RSVP to CAPT. DAVE!

email: kdb1017@aol.com

or on the DBC Website



Racing *Paul Auman*

DBC Racers,

We are starting the DBC Wednesday Evening Summer Race Series on Wednesday June 8 at 18:45. There are a total of 6 evenings scheduled this summer and we will squeeze in as many races as weather and daylight permit. More details and the complete race schedule can be found at <http://www.dunedinboatclub.org/Racing/Racing.htm>

We are going to continue with the tradition of using the floating dock outside the DBC as a "Race Committee Dock" and set the starting pin near the dock. The dates have been scheduled with the tides in mind, so there should be plenty of water for all types of boats to participate. This is a perfect opportunity to get involved with our racing program, so come on out and have some fun with us Wednesday night.

For more information please call Paul Auman at 727-688-1631



TAMPA GULF COAST FISHING-REPORT

by Captain Alex Perrone of Dancin' Girl

UPDATED: June, 2011

The inshore wildlife are at full speed competing for food. Ospreys, egrets, pelicans, pink spoonbills, loons, frigates, and don't forget Flipper the Dolphin, to name a few, are hunting the shallows and shorelines. Some of

these birds and dolphins are feeding on the same bait and fish we are all seeking. The birds can see fish feeding on bait while flying and will dive on the baits being pushed up by the feeding fish, so it makes sense to look for birds diving into the water.

I would recommend using cast spoons, love lures, or pearl colored gulp baits. All of these baits have been known to get the job done. Although recent guests of the Captain's Quarters have had great success with the locally made love lures while they are trolling slowly behind the skiff. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vUXsiPCiiV4>-click for short video

Thanks Capt. Alex

Sailing on Someone Else's Boat

Here are a couple of opportunities to consider joining fellow DBC members on some exotic destinations!



October 13-17, 2011

Sailing from Tampa on the Carnival Inspiration to Cozumel. Signed up so far are the Clarks, Kolbs and Judy Ritchie getting packed for the trip. Cost is only \$339 for an Interior or \$399 for an Oceanview Cabin. All money will be due August 1st, so check your calendars and get signed up.



Idea #2

Not yet set in stone is the possibility of chartering boats in the Abacos or BVI in 2012. Several folks from the DBC have done this in the past. I would like to schedule a planning meeting about this, but need to know who of you might be interested. Please send me an email or give me a phone call to get on the list for the meeting: Contact Mary Kolb at 727-733-3498 or mkolb@gotravelorlando.com



DBC Veteran Sailor Finishes 3rd in BOTY

On the heels of being named the recipient of the Chris Papandreas Memorial Award presented by the Clearwater Yacht Club just recently, our own Carol Elwood has finished the 2010-2011 Suncoast Boat of the Year Racing Series with a 3rd place overall finish

in the Cruising Division. Carol has been an active participant in the BOTY series over the past many years and this year her commitment of time, her sailing expertise, and her perseverance have all resulted in a fantastic finish for both the skipper and crew of Island Hopper. There were over 33 boats that participated in 10 sanctioned BOTY events. Carol will be presented her trophy at the Annual West Florida PHRF Meeting to be held June 26, 2011 at 3:00 pm at Sarasota Yacht Club.

A long time competitor within the DBC racing program and previous winner of Boat of the Year for DBC racing, Carol has represented the Dunedin Boat Club well in her excellent record. Thanks Carol and a hearty congratulation from all of us at DBC!



NOW THAT I HAVE YOUR ATTENTION!

Hurricane Season is upon us...

Be Prepared and Have a Hurricane Plan in Place!



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admiring the horses that like the Lippazans, are born sorrel or bay and turn pure white as they mature. We met the black bulls with upturned horns that graze in the marshy pastures; unlike Spanish fighting bulls, these are not killed in the arena. From marshy rice country we went up Mount Ventoux to an alpine environment!

What made the trip so great was the company of our friends. I hope you will get to meet them when they visit our community in the fall. It was not the beautiful scenery

or the French countryside and culture that made our enduring memories but the company of friends with whom we shared the experiences. Although it was sad to say goodbye when our three weeks were over, we have many shared memories of good times and lively discussions.

As we flew home, I thought about friends at DBC and the fun that we have. Although we missed the Dock party and the Coastal Cleanup, we had the Laundry Race, the Blessing of the Fleet, and an interesting program in May with the June schedule promising to be just as busy. It is not just Fern Blossoms and our beautiful location but all the friends who are there to share the good times that make coming back home something to look forward to.

Traveling does make one appreciate what you have at home.



Social Committee

Liza & Terry Hopkins

Wine tasting Party before our June 20th meeting 6:30 to 7:30...

Come early for a little Social Time!

Great news, Dunedin Boat Club with Two Lions Winery will be hosting a FREE event for one and all. The Two Lions Winery of Dunedin will be providing the wine for tasting at 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Dunedin Boat club! That is correct! A wine tasting party right before our next regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, June 20th on our East porch! This is a great chance to sample some great locally made wines. Reds, White, Dessert wines and others all locally made here in Dunedin! (and it is free!) So bring a cheese, a dessert or crackers or whatever YOU like with wine and let's enjoy more of why we all live in Dunedin; Great weather, friends, Boats and now Dunedin's own wine company.

Come one come all!

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