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DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Commodores Corner...

October 19th 7:30 pm

Happy Fall everyone!

It's that time of year when the leaves change color and the weather gets crisp, AAAH FALL, oh wait! I am not in North Carolina any more...It is that time of year when the temperature drops 4 degrees and hurricanes start forming in the Gulf... It will get cooler soon though. We hope.

Anyway, on to business. Our upcoming October general meeting will be a hybrid meeting of live and Zoom. We will let people come to the clubhouse. Chairs will be 6ft apart unless it is a spouse and overflow will be on the porches and outer surrounding areas within range of the outdoor speakers. Masks are required for all participants. This is a baby step towards some level of normalcy. Those that would like to view via Zoom there will be a link for that as well. Watch your email for information on limited quantity anniversary burgees and glasses to be on sale that night! Grab a piece of Boat Club history.

It is that time of year to set next years leadership for Bridge and Board! We have a few openings that need filling... Contact Commodore Terry Hopkins to put your name on the slate. GET INVOLVED!

We are also excited to announce we will still be having our annual auction. The auction will be hybrid as well, similar to the upcoming meeting. We did eliminate the chili cook-off due to concerns of protecting everyone from buffet style foods. If anyone has suggestions to a safe alternative give me a call. I look forward to your ideas. Please bring your donated items to the club at any time. No furniture, beds, broken vehicles or smelly crab traps(clean or new ones are okay!). Think nautical... decorative, fun and useful! Whoever has the Billy fish, he needs to come home for a new residence for the year!

Sign up for the Boat Parade! Registration is now online. Also, membership renewals will be opening up soon as well. Our Purser will be sending out more information on that soon. Hope to see many of you at the general meeting.

Below is the Zoom information for Monday's meeting, October 19th. https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81636412114?pwd=dXU3T0hZMCtKeVIwYW44YnBXdUF5QT09

Meeting ID: 816 3641 2114 Passcode: 709477

Hope to see you all there!





Vice Commodore...



Kristi Mackey, the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Commander for the Dunedin Flotilla, will be our speaker for the October General Meeting Program. Kristi will share with us the many programs that the US Coast Guard Auxiliary provides to the boating public and how they assist the Coast Guard.

Kristi joined the US Coast Guard Auxiliary in 2011 because of her love of boating. She became certified as Boat Crew, Search and Rescue (SAR), Instructor, Fingerprint Technician, and a Citizenship Verifier. Over the past ten years, she has held many staff officer positions at both the Flotilla and Division Level. Some include Public Education, Public Affairs, Human Resources, Operations, elected Flotilla Vice Commander and for the past two years she has been the elected Flotilla Commander for 11-10 Dunedin.

Kristi will join us on Zoom. We look forward to welcoming this honored guest to the Dunedin Boat Club!



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





Last month we reported that September was going to be a busy month and that it was for preparing!

Due to weather our two races in September did not occur. The September 12th Fall Regatta, race #1 of our Gulf Series, was canceled at 6:15 AM race day due to Tropical Storm Sandy. Then the most important race of the year, our 36th Annual Dunedin Cup, was challenged with no wind or not enough when we needed it to complete the race for the West Florida PHRF Both of the Year contribution. After postponing the start for 2 hours and then attempting a start at 12:30 and then a second time, the lack of wind caused the Official Dunedin Cup Race to be cancelled. The good news is that tenacity of the DBC Competitors stayed around after Race Committee pulled their equipment and were headed to Port. The competitors pulled ten of the remaining competitors on the water and rallied a short, two-leg race under the leadership of Paul Auman who worked out the details with George Schott to drop a mark and they held an unofficial Dunedin Cup race. It was a great day after all.

The unofficial **Dunedin Cup Race** with ten competitors went on to find some wind, rallied the team and completed a two-leg race. The Winners are: **Spinnaker 1st** - Paul Guidi, *You Know Who*, **Cruising 1st** - John Gardner, *After You*, **Cruising 2nd** - Steve Baumann, *18 degrees North*, **Cruising 3rd** - Paul Auman, *Fixation*. Race chair thanks the Race Committee and Support Vessels for their tremendous help: Fairlie Brinkley - PRO; Herb Larrabee - Judge; Mike and Cathy Ressa - *Aqua Pazza* Signal Boat; George Schott - *ReBoot*, Mark Boat; Dan Johnson, Carol Elwood, Sheryl Barnes, Commodore Dan Zucker.

October 24th is Gulf Series - Fall Regatta Race #2. Registration is open at www.yachtscoring.com



Membership Committee...





Hello Members,

Please give a big welcome to new members

Jen and Tom Henriksen. The Henriksen's live in Palm Harbor and own a Sunfish. I look forward to introducing them to the membership at our first in-person meeting.

Even during the pandemic we have prospective members looking forward to enjoying our camaraderie and, in the near future, sharing in activities. If you know someone who might make a great addition to our club please give them my name and cell, bring them to our Zoom meeting or send their info to me.

The Membership Committee needs help!

We need volunteer opportunities for prospective members to meet the "Good of the Club" requirement. Without the ability to perform a "Good of the Club" activity prospective members will not be able to join our club.

Thank you for your help!

Get out on the water!



Steven Soso, Membership Committee Chairperson

From the Purser...

IT IS RENEWAL TIME FOR YOUR 2021 DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB MEMBERSHIP.

The rates are the same as they were last year: Family Membership - \$101.65 Single Membership - \$80.25

The KEY EXCHANGE for 2021 will begin at the February 15, 2021 General Meeting. Bring your old key and get the 2021 key. Lost keys can be purchased for \$3.

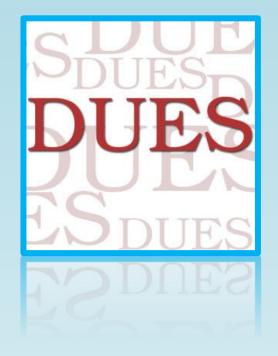
The new key will operate ONLY the east (marina side) door. When you lock the building, lock the west door from the INSIDE and lock the east door with the KEY.

Please verify that all of your names, addresses, phone numbers, and email addresses are correct on the website (dunedinboatclub.org). Should you have any questions regarding the verification process, please contact George Schott (george@imbedded.com).

Also, at the February General Meeting, members who have renewed their memberships at, or prior to, the meeting will be given a 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.

Any renewal request received AFTER the Feb 15 General Meeting requires approved by the DBC Board. If you have not successfully renewed prior to the April 1 Board Meeting, your name WILL NOT appear in the printed version of the 2021 Membership Roster.

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



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

Jack "key man" Mallard, Purser

Insights...

I am adding a new section to the DBC Newsletter called "Insights." On this page we will highlight a seasoned member of our club or a new member of our club. This way we can get to know each other a little bit better. Please contact me if you have someone in mind. Thank you to David Kresge for the idea.

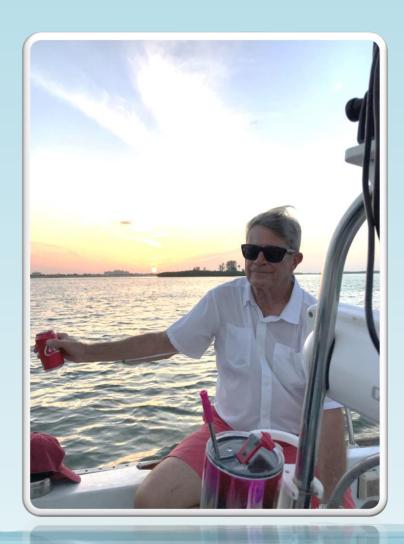
October Highlight Fairlie Brinkley

Member since 2009

I first laid eyes on a sailboat (a Clark Mills Opti) when I arrived at a sailing camp in North Carolina six months after my eighth birthday. Little did I know that sailing would become not only a passion, but something I would still be doing as I approach my seventy-fifth birthday. I returned to camp each summer for the next decade, progressing from racing Optis to Sailfish, then Sunfish, Blue Jays and finally Lightnings, and eventually becoming an instructor.

I loved racing one design boats but one day I was invited to sail aboard a family friend's boat on the Chesapeake Bay. She wasn't much to write home about, but she had a couple of bunks, a head and a cook stove, none of which was on the boats I had previously sailed. You could actually go somewhere and spend the night! The owner was pleased with my ability to coax more speed from his boat and so began my graduation from one design to big boat racing. After college, my young family and the need to earn a living took me away from the water for several years; however, in my early thirties, I purchased my first big boat, a brand new IOR speedster, and soon it became our weekend home and family racer. After a couple of years, my former wife who had no prior sailing experience, was spending much of the summer aboard with the children while I commuted for long weekends. We raced frequently and cruised between the Chesapeake Bay and Martha's Vineyard.

Insights... (continued)



The Chairman of the of the Edgartown Yacht Club Race Committee purchased the home next to ours and over cocktails one evening asked me what I was doing to pay back the sport of sailing. With a blank stare, I told him "nothing". He made an impassioned and convincing argument that I did indeed owe a debt to any person, place or thing that was of major significance in improving my life. He suggested I become proficient in either judging or race committee work and offered to mentor me at Edgartown the next summer. Once more, little did I know that I would still be serving as a race officer forty years later. Today I am a certified National Race Officer and travel the country running major championship regattas.

My commitment to give back, or in contemporary language, pay it forward extends far beyond racing. I serve on the boards of a half-dozen charities involved with sailing, mental health and both American and Florida history. museums.

In return for the many friendships and hours of fun given me by Dunedin Boat Club, I repaid the favor by serving as Membership Chairman, Vice Commodore and Commodore. I enjoyed nearly every minute of my tenure and looking back at what we accomplished, three things stand out: first and foremost, I appointed Cindy Cole as Social Chair; with the help of Paul Auman and Kim Beaty, the Dunedin Cup Regatta was accepted as a Boat of the Year event, and thanks to the work of Gary Shellenberger, we established our reserve fund to protect the club's assets from frivolous spending.

Hope we can see each other around the club house soon.

DBC Kayaking...

Tuesday, October 27, 2020 4:30 PM

We will meet on the Dunedin Causeway, just past the kayak rental concession. This will be a trip to Caladesi Island and walk on the beach, culminating with our return trip, just prior to sunset. Because visibility might be a problem, each participant must bring a bright flashlight to shine at approaching boats if visibility is a problem.

This trip is limited to 12 people. The first 12 people who sign up or email me will be included. Social distancing will be expected. Bring a mask to protect members of the group, if indicated.



Peggy Schott, *Kayaking Committee Chair* 727-644-0828, peggyas@imbedded.com

Fishing Report...

The water temperatures are slowly coming down and the stone crab traps are finally in the water. The stone crab traps when baited are like chum pots for fish, slow trolling ladyfish and blue runners along the trapline will produce kingfish this month. On calm days you may also find some triple tails around the trap buoys.

As the water cools you can find sheepshead and black drum by the bridges using shrimp or fiddler crabs for bait. Silver trout will be schooled up in front of the last Dunedin Causeway bridge in deep water, use your depth finder and any small jig to find them. 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. You will also find white grunts and seabass with the grouper.

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 <u>whmetts@yahoo.com</u>, 727-631-4191





Book Club...

The Book Club is on hiatus but we are still reading! Here are some recommendations from Book Club members.

The Giver of Stars, Jojo Moyes

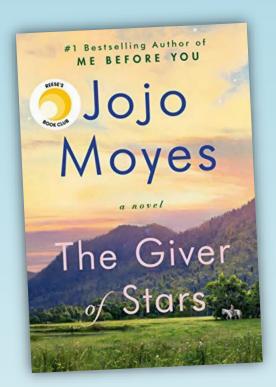
Set in the Depression, this is a breathtaking story of five extraordinary women and their journey through the mountains of Kentucky and beyond. These heroic women refuse to be cowed by men or by convention. Although they face many dangers in a landscape that is both beautiful and brutal, they're committed to bringing books to people who have never had any, arming them with facts that will change their lives.

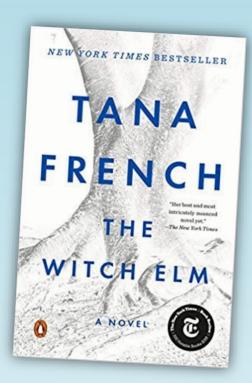
The Witch Elm: A Novel, Tana French

Toby is a successful charmer who's out with friends when he surprises two burglars who beat him and leave him for dead. Struggling to recover from his injuries, he realizes he might never be the same again. He takes refuge at his family's ancestral home to care for his dying uncle Hugo. Then a skull is found in the trunk of an elm tree in the garden—and as detectives close in, Toby is must face the possibility that his past may not be what he has always believed.

Sharon Grimshaw

Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com





For more reading inspiration checkout our book list:

https://dunedinboatclub.org/book-list



Ship Store...

New items just received at the *Ship's Store*

Facemasks w/DBC logo - \$7

Hats in Assorted colors - \$15

Stainless, Insulated Tumbler - \$15

and many other items...

Come & check out our great items,

October Sale at the Ship's Store,

Wednesday Oct 21 on the Back Porch of the
Club House, 4 - 7 PM

Dan & Phyllis Mann, Ship Store Chairman





Hoping everyone well!

On July 14th, 2020 Dorothy Connor (long time member) married Roger Caple in front of Old Faithful Geyser in Yellowstone Park. Honeymooning out west.

Randy McClure's brother passed. Please hold Randy & his family in your thoughts and prayers.

Cindy Cole's father Charlie Clay, at age 92, pasted peacefully in Scottsdale AZ on September 13, 2020. The celebration of life will be April 21, 2021. Cindy is planting a memorial garden in her back yard.

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

Renee Radalinsky, Sunshine committee chair, reneerad@yahoo.com

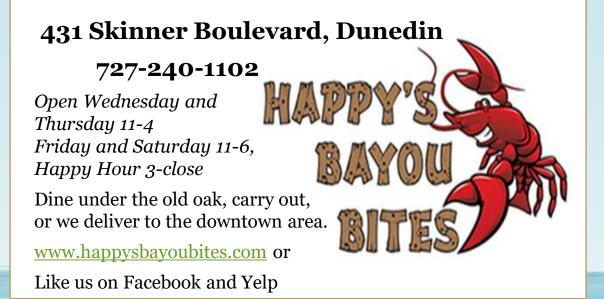
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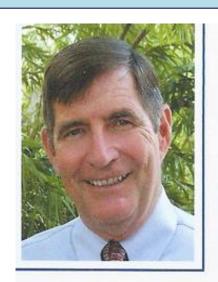
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