

# THE HARBOR CRIER

#### DUNEDIN BOAT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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### **Commodores Farwell...**

Happy New Year Everyone!

Let's hope a for a year filled with friends, fellowship, and good health.

I am please to tell you that thanks you to all for your continued support, we finished out the year in a stable financial picture. This was an amazing feat with very little fundraising and virtually (no pun intended) no events. We did not incur as many expenses either so we balanced out well. AWESOME!

A huge thank you to my Bridge and Board! You guys ROCK! You Zoomed with me through some long meetings and almost never complained. Just kidding.... You complained a lot.... haha (again kidding). You guys kept smiling and working through this very tough year and I have the utmost respect for you all.

To our membership, thank you for continuing to support our club. We know we had a year lacking our normal activities and it was not very exciting. We will make it up very soon! :)

To the New Bridge and Board, I hope you can have some normalcy this year and we can all PARTY! I am confident they will carry us into a great 2021!

Well folks, Covid Commodore signing off. See you at the next Zoom/Change of Watch.

Dan Zucker, Commodore Dunedin Boat Club, 727-251-3292, dan@zuckerandzucker.com

### 2021 Commodore...

Hello everyone, I miss seeing everyone in person so much and I know that you do too. Coronavirus has challenged us all this past year and will continue to do so for some time yet to come. I know of several members who have had the virus and they say that it is no fun. My heart goes out to all of you who have lost a loved one from this scourge. Many thanks to our club members who are on the front lines.

I sincerely hope that one day soon we will all be able to gather together for our fun DBC social events and outings. Until then, we will continue to hold Zoom meetings and also give people the option to attend the meetings in person. At the Clubhouse, we adhere to social distancing guidelines and all must wear masks. I know that when we can, we are going to have a huge party to welcome everyone back.

I would like to start my term by thanking our outgoing Commodore, Dan Zucker, for leading us in 2020. I also extend my thanks to the 2020 Board and Committee members who made the Dunedin Boat Club run. I look forward to working together with the 2021 team to keep the DBC spirit alive and well.

There are a few Committee Chair positions that need filling. I encourage both new and old members to volunteer for one of these. We need a new chair for Cruising (plans day and overnight cruises for club members) and Sunshine (sends cards or flowers to ill or bereaved members). We also need someone to take over the Webmaster position. If any of you are interested in serving the club in these capacities, please give me a call. Thank you!

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

## The Change of the Watch 2021...





Due to COVID-19 concerns, the in person 2021 Change of Watch Dinner/Dance and has been moved to zoom. We will be installing the new Bridge and Board on Jan 18 at 7:30 pm via Zoom.

Jack will MC the event which will be followed immediately by the regular General Membership meeting. Mary Jean and I will be formally dressed for this event and invite Board and Bridge to do the same if you choose. Have your champagne or wine glass ready to toast to the 2021 Board and Bridge.

We plan on having the usual Change of Watch Dinner, program and dancing gala in January 2022 as we have done all these years.

Thank you all for your interest in this event. Stay safe and healthy in 2021.

# January 18th 7:30 pm

# **Dunedin Boat Club Change of Watch and General Meeting**

Time: Jan 18, 2021 07:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting
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Meeting ID: 816 8179 1020

Passcode: 506330

Jack & Mary Jean
Change of Watch Coordinators

#### 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.

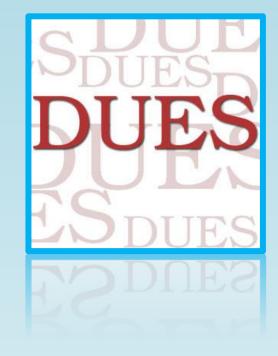
The new key will operate ONLY the east (marina side) door. When you lock the building, lock the west door from the INSIDE and lock the east door with the KEY.

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

### **Membership Committee...**



#### 2020 and 2021 New Members

Your name badges (normally included in the New Member Packets) will soon be located with all member's badges in the Clubhouse.

Also, when in-person membership meetings begin again new members can stop by the New Member desk to pick up a DBC key float which is part of the New Member packet.



**Steven Soso,** *Membership Committee Chairperson* 



The first race in the DBC Gulf Series – Winter Regatta to be held on January 23rd is open for registration. Already registered are Island Hopper/Carol Elwood and Kanaloa/Dave Austin. Thanks, you two! This Regatta has 3 race dates and further details can be located are our DBC site here: https://dunedinboatclub.org/racing-2/201-racing-schedule Competitors, please register early. We have not secured the Signal Boat as of this writing.

DBC is a Sponsor in the Olympic Class Racing Series which has their Clearwater Regatta schedule for February next month. We will need volunteers to join David Kresge as "Beach Ambassadors" to assist the Fleet of Lasers, 49ers and 29ers in getting their boats into and out of the water from their storage spaces along the water. Please email David Kresge at dckoffsu@gmail.com today to volunteer to help out.

Needed are teams of 4 in two slots for Thursday – Sunday February 4, 5, 6 and 7th. The time slots will be 8AM – 12PM (noon) and 12PM – 4PM each day. The role will be to assist the Olympic competitor crews wheel their boats (on dollies) to the water's edge, for them to leave and sail out in the Gulf to race and then to be there when they return to have their dolly ready as they come back to beach. This will all occur at the Clearwater Community Sailing Center – North Beach. See the diagram.

Information needed on volunteers:

Name:

Cell Phone:

**Email Address:** 

Dates of Availability: Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Hours of Availability (8-12) (12-1)

### Race Committee...

Olympic Class Racing Here in 2021... Volunteers needed!



Please send David Kresge, DBC Race Committee, an email demonstrating your interest and he will contact you. dckoffsu@gmail.com. If you snooze, you lose!



### **Kayaking Korner...**



Due to popular request, we are rerunning our trip to Fort Desoto. It was a beautiful paddle. Unfortunately, we can't accurately predict weather. So, we will have an alternate date in case of cold or inclement weather.

#### **Trip Date: Tuesday, January 19**

Meet in Fort Desoto at Kayak Rental Concession at 10AM. Anyone wanting to rent a kayak should have their kayak by 10AM (Kayak Rental phone number: (727) 864-1991). It costs \$5 to enter Fort DeSoto Park and \$1 for the Bayway. Bring snacks and drinks and lunch, if you desire. We can have lunch on the kayaks or get together at a picnic area for lunch. Sign up at the events section of the members only portion of the DBC website. Limit is 12 people.

If there are any questions or problems call me at (727)644-0828. Inclement weather date will be *Wednesday*, *January 27 at 10AM*.

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

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

### Fishing Report...

Winter is here and so are sheepshead and silver trout! The silver trout can be found in the channel on the north side of the last bridge on the Dunedin Causeway. In 25-30 feet of water you will see a cloud of fish just off the bottom with your fish finder. Any small lead head jig will produce this tasty fish. They don't freeze well so only take what you need for a meal.



Sheepshead or convicts as some folks call them can be found around all bridges and docks. Barnacle and oyster encrusted pilings attract these tasty fish. Fiddler and mud crabs are their favorite foods, however small pieces of shrimp will also work. Use a heavy #1 hook with enough wait to keep it in the strike zone near the pilings. They must be 12 inches to keep and have a mouthful of human like teeth so strong sharp hooks are a must.

Go out on the water, be safe and have fun!





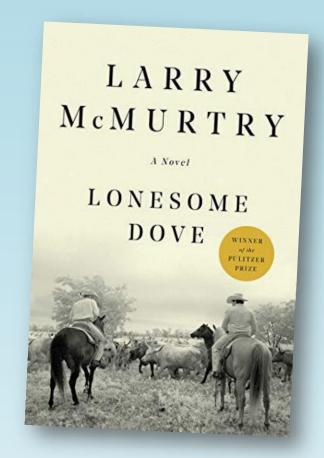
### **Book Club...**

The Book Club is holding small-group meetings and Zoom sessions.

Here is a recommendation from one of our Book Club members.

Lonesome Dove: A Novel, Larry McMurtry

A classic novel about the American West that follows two aging Texas Rangers embarking on one last adventure. Journey to the dusty little Texas town of Lonesome Dove and meet an unforgettable assortment of heroes and outlaws, whores and ladies, Indians and settlers. Richly authentic, beautifully written, considered by some to be the grandest novel about the last defiant wilderness of America.



**Sharon Grimshaw** 

Book Club Chairperson, sgrimshaw983@gmail.com

For more reading inspiration checkout our book list:

https://dunedinboatclub.org/book-list

## Insights...

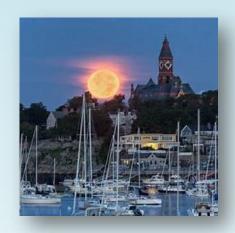


January Highlight
Commodore
Captain
Sheryl Barnes
Member since 2015

Sheryl retired from IBM after 30 years in 2016 and now teaches Marketing at the Jack Welch Management Institute, the online executive MBA program of Strayer University. She lives in Dunedin with her daughter Jenna and their two dogs, Sailor and Lexi. She has a passion for being on the water that goes back 40 years.

Sheryl's first boat was a 27' Wellcraft Nova on Lake Travis outside of Austin, TX. She and her ex-husband waterskied and spent many weekends anchored in the coves that lined the coastline.

Her job with Lotus Development Corporation took her to Massachusetts in 1991. She first moved to Marblehead, a quaint town of 20,000 that is a boating mecca with four yacht clubs. She took her first sailing lessons there from an old salt named Captain Bert on his Pearson 303. The thing she remembers the most was that Captain Bert would not let them motor into Marblehead Harbor, which was full of luxury yachts, and instead they had to sail in. She reminisces that this built an enormous amount of confidence.



When she moved into the city, she became a member of Courageous Sailing Center. She furthered her knowledge sailing their Rhodes 19s and J24s around Boston Harbor. Through the Boston Sailing Center, she took her first advanced sailing class, sailing through the night around Cape Anne and returning to Boston in a thunderstorm.

When IBM bought Lotus, Sheryl moved to Stamford, CT to work at IBM headquarters in nearby New York. She bought a condo in a

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marina and a 30' Catalina that she cruised around Long Island Sound. She later sold her boat to pay for her daughter's tuition and joined the Single Sailors Club. There she participated in day sails and weekend cruises. It was in Stamford that she learned how to race. She raced out of Stamford Yacht Club, Halloween Yacht Club, and Cedar Creek Yacht Club on a J39, Tartan 28, and an XYacht 35, respectively over a ten year period.



The sailing season is New England is only six months, so Sheryl enjoyed her other passion in the winter, skiing in Killington, VT where she had a condo on the mountain.

Sheryl has been on sailboat charters in the British Virgin Islands, the Greek Islands, the Balearic Islands of Spain, and the Orcas Islands of British Columbia. She has attained the American Sailing Association Basic Keelboat, Basic Cruising, Bareboat Charter, and Navigation Certifications. She has also earned her US Coast Guard Captains and Master's Certifications from Sea School.

Sheryl moved to Dunedin five years ago and promptly joined the Dunedin Boat Club where she has served as Club Secretary, Rear Commodore, Vice-Commodore, and Assistant Parade Master. She is a member of the Racing Committee and the Book Club.

Sheryl crewed on Carol Elwood's boat, Island Hopper, joined the Windlasses, and raced out of Davis Island Yacht Club. She partnered with Dorothy Connor on Fern Blossom, a Catalina 309. They just sold their sailboat last month, so she is looking to go out on other member's boats and Freedom Boat Club boats. Please give her a call.

"Insights" will highlight a member in our club or a new member of our club. Please contact Jeanine if you have someone in mind. Let's share our experiences and get to know one another.

# **Ship Store...**

**2020** was an unprecedented year and hopefully never to be experienced again. We want to thank everyone for your support of the Ship's Store during those trying times.

**2021** is now upon us with the hope of a return to normalcy and resumption of the Club activities which have been so sorely missed. With this in mind, the Ship's Store will be closed during the month of January so we can prepare for this New Year.

The Ship's Store will re-open in February with NEW MERCHANDISE and SUPER SALE PRICING of selected inventory. Watch for future announcements. You must prepare for this New Year as well. Wear your face mask, practice social distancing, and above all Get Vaccinated.

Until then, if there is an item you would like for the inventory, call me at 813-245-4344.

Happy New Year to everyone!!





Hoping everyone well!

Bernie Buird's (long time member) Father, Bernard passed away on December 19th 2020 due to complications from two strokes.

He loved fishing, boating and was on 2 leagues for Bowling until his stroke - very active man!! Please pray for Bernie and his family during this rough time.

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

We are looking for a new Sunshine Committee Chair for the 2021 season!

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

# DBC Business Marketplace...

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Double Business 4x7 or 7x4 \$50

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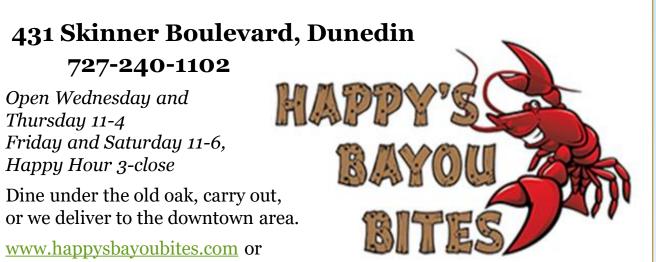
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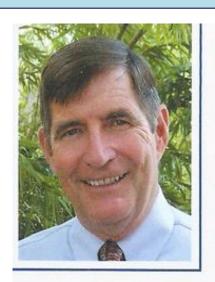
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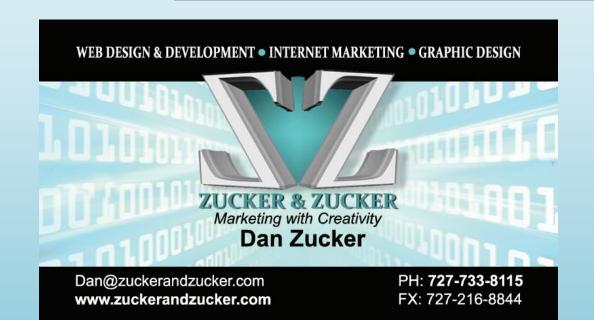
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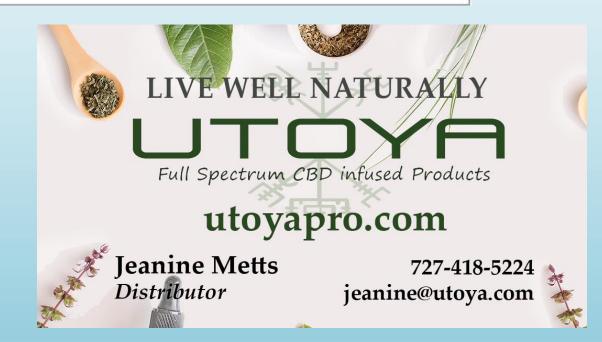


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