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Next General Membership Meeting

Wednesday, March 14, 2018
@ 7pm



**“First Aid for
Cruisers”**



Presented by Dr. Floyd Bryan

Satellite Beach Civic Center, 565 Cassia Blvd
Latitude 28° 09' North, Longitude 80° 36' West

MARCH Calendar of Local Sailing Events

11	MYC	Rum Race Winter #5
17-18	ECSA	St. Patty's Day—Melbourne Harbor
25	MYC	Rum Race Winter #6

APRIL Calendar of Local Sailing Events

6	MYC	Rum Race Spring #1
14-15	MYC	Spring Boat Regatta
20	MYC	Rum Race Spring #2
21-22	ECSA	Boy Scout Island Cruise
21-22	MYC	Spring Small Boat Regatta

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THOUGHTS FROM YOUR COMMODORE

Pat Fletcher



VIEW FROM THE VICE COMMODORE

Diana Cox

Spring is in the air...



With Daylight savings time approaching us, I'm looking forward to some extra time after work to get Little Attitudes ready for an exciting 2018. So, "where are we going and what are we doing?" We have so many events planned this year and I'm really hoping to get more participation from everyone, wouldn't it be fun to make new memories with all our sailing friends?

With the boat show behind us, I'm sure everyone who went had a fantastic time making plans on improving our boats, attending some seminars and learning from others. I can't wait to hear about your day and the bus trip, I'm wondering what movie took the place of Captain Ron?

I know everyone is excited about this year, some of us have plans for the Bahamas, there is talk about a St. Augustine Trip and even a trip up the Chesapeake. If there are any more adventures to add I would love to hear about them. So let's clean off our boats and get out on the water!! And please remember - everyone in this club is very helpful, so if anyone needs help with anything at all, just make a call. We have a wonderful group of people with so much knowledge.

I would like to invite everyone to "Happy Hour With The Commodore" On March 8, time 5 to ? The Location will be Long Doggers in Satellite Beach. They are one of our sponsors and it will be fun to show our appreciation to them and get together to socialize and make some plans for the upcoming sailing season.

Also, the doors for our meetings will be open at 6:30 so everyone is welcome to bring their favorite cocktail and enjoy the company of our ECSA family before the meeting.

Let's take some time to get to know each other, talk to someone different at the meeting... **Let's get out of our comfort zone!!**

Pat

Hello and good day to all,

This past weekend I was happy to attend the 2018 Miami Boat show. This year, the show had the sailboats in the same area as the other boats. There were less catamarans than last year but still enough sailboats to keep us dreaming. What we did find out is that on the end of one dock there was a class offered for beginning sailors. This course included mooring, anchoring and basic sailing techniques along with some actual sailing time. I thought this was clever to offer at the show. This basic introduction can peak curiosity and have fears about sailing thwarted while having access to an experienced crew of people to guide you. This experience will perhaps encourage a new inexperienced family to engage in sailing together.

We had plenty of food and drink on the trip both down and back from the show. The videos that we had a choice of were entertaining. We watched Lost at Sea, The Bounty and Master and Commander. Even though we did not have a full bus I feel that the participants had a good time at the show and on the bus. Tom and Maryanne won the prize for the most amount of money spent. I believe they bought merchandise for their upcoming adventure, we hope they have a safe journey.

Another interesting part of the show was the large number of fishing vessels that were on display. If you asked some of us they were more like fishing boats decked out as party boats. The sound systems were very impressive. They are very fast, the engines quiet and the decks roomy. I then saw on a TV show that these boats were used in drug trafficking in Miami. I don't know if there is a connection, I will leave that to the police to figure out.

All joking aside, I enjoyed the different boats, looking at all the different products available for further reference and the company of other sailors and boaters. We look forward to seeing more people next year and have some changes in mind for the future.

Diana Cox, VC





Secretary's Report

**East Coast Sailing Association
General Membership Meeting**
February 15, 2018

Call to order: 7:09 p.m. by Commodore Pat Fletcher

Commodore's Opening Remarks:

Pat introduced the board members and stated going forward there will be poster boards with the BOG and our sponsors names on them so we can skip the introductions. This is being done to provide more time for programs. She also gave a big thanks to Nancy Knobbs and crew for their hard work on putting together the awards banquet.

Introduction of the Board:

Commodore – Pat Fletcher (P)
Vice Commodore – Diana Cox (P)
Rear Commodore – Rob Lauren (P)
Treasurer – Grover Gregory (P)
Secretary – Joe Cloidt (P)
Elected Governor – Steven Lambert (P)
Elected Governor – Don Theriault (P)
Elected Governor – John Geraci (P)
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Thank you to our Sponsors:

CopperCoat USA Antifouling paint
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Harbor Town Marina

Welcome New Members:

We welcome Tom Eskridge (not present); sails Epic, a Jeanneau 40 DS out of MYC. Dave & Debbie Lane own Galatea, a Brewer 44 they keep at Eau Gallie Yacht Basin. Will Lilienthal also became a member and his boat and hailing port will be listed next month.

Approve Minutes: Approved unanimously.

Approve Treasurer Report: Approved unanimously.

50/50 drawing:

Jennifer Clendenin was awarded \$24.

New Business:

Lynda Geraci discussed cruises. All cruises have been planned for the year. Boy Scout Island was added for April 21/22 and will need a host. John & Lynda Geraci are hosting the Marker 21 cruise on February 24/25. She also suggested those going to the Bahamas may want to get together for a planning and information exchange.

Tom O'Shea talked about the St. Patrick's Day cruise to Melbourne Harbor March 17/18. There will parking and limited dockage at MYC. Melbourne Harbor Marina should have slips available but call early. The plan is to meet at The Mansion at 5:00pm for dinner on the 17th. We can either meet upstairs or ask for a private room but it was noted The Mansion would like to see \$500 worth of business for the private room. The sign-up list was on the desk.

Page Proffitt has some ideas for new programs. He will hold a First Aid seminar for those going to the Bahamas this spring. This is intended to be an overview and not actual training. However, Health First is sponsoring a "Save a Life Day" at the Melbourne Auditorium on Saturday, March 3rd from 8:00am to 11:00am. Activities include free CPR lessons and "Stop the Bleed". Visit HF.org/savealife for more information.

He will also present a talk on sailing and navigation apps for your cell phones in addition to using a different SIM card while in the islands. Jennifer Clendenin will do a program on marinas, contacting, checking in and general marina info.

Joe and Karen Coleman and Don & Joanne Theriault are headed to St. Augustine on April 28/29. He also mentioned if you have a dripless prop shaft seal, don't forget to have it periodically serviced. He went 18 years without a problem until his boat was put back in the water after a recent bottom job and the seal starting leaking badly causing a bit of excitement for Joe.

Claude Auger mentioned he and Del Wiese put together a spread sheet with all the opening bridges from Jupiter to Ft. Lauderdale. The tables give you the cruising speed that will hopefully let you catch the bridge openings. Most of the bridges further south open on the hour and half-hour. Contact them if you would like a copy.

Mather's Bridge is changing it's opening hours. Details on this and the Port Canaveral 401 bridge will be in a separate article.

Around the Board

Commodore: Pat Fletcher

We will start having a Happy Hour before the meeting. Doors open at 6:30pm. This is BYOB and don't forget

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Grover Gregory

SECRETARY'S REPORT

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to drink responsibly! We will also start having "A drink with the Commodore" at a local bar/restaurant. Since Long Doggers is one of our sponsors, we will start there. Stay tuned for when and where.

Rear Commodore: Rob Lauren

Rob is asking for input from members for ideas on what they would like to see for programs or social gatherings. He brought index cards and pens for members to jot down their ideas.

Vice Commodore: Diana Cox

Talked about the upcoming Miami Boat Show trip. We have 37 signed up but would like to fill the bus with 50. Page said he had alerted MYC. The bus pick-up points are Harbor Town Marina on Merritt Island and Publix in Satellite Beach. Diana said she would be the telephone contact and asked members that are going to let her know which location they will be picked up at so she can keep track of everyone. Secretary Joe volunteered to send out an email with her phone number and a request for members pick-up location.

Treasurer: Grover Gregory

Encouraged folks to sign up for the boat show and that they can invite friends and family. The question was raised to what happens if we don't fill the bus as far as costs go. This will be discussed at the next BOG meeting.

Meeting adjourned: 7:53p.m. by Commodore Pat Fletcher

Tonight's Program:

Joe Coleman gave a wonderful presentation on his family's cruise to Croatia. The chartered a 50' sailboat with a captain who proved to be a great resource with his local knowledge. They visited many scenic little towns and harbors all with great food, drink and friendly locals. One of the highlights was an inland visit to Krka National Park with it's long winding rivers and waterfalls. Some of his pictures of the waterfalls looked like scenes from the movie Avatar.

Respectfully Submitted
Joe Cloidt
Secretary

Income Statement	Report Month	Year to Date
	Jan '18	Jan '18 - Jan '18
Revenue		
50/50	\$0.00	\$0.00
Advertising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Banquet	\$927.19	\$927.19
Bus Trip	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Donations	\$0.00	\$0.00
Member Dues	\$715.00	\$715.00
Merchandise	\$72.00	\$72.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Revenue	\$2,714.19	\$2,714.19
Expenses		
Awards	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bank Svc	\$105.06	\$105.06
Banquet	\$1,995.09	\$1,995.09
Bus Trip	\$625.00	\$625.00
Cruising	\$0.00	\$0.00
Insurance	\$0.00	\$0.00
Meeting & Ofc Sup	\$133.40	\$133.40
Merchandise	\$0.00	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$0.00
Postage	\$86.00	\$86.00
Printing	\$160.47	\$160.47
Rent	\$378.00	\$378.00
Sales Tax	\$72.48	\$72.48
Sunshine	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$3,555.50	\$3,555.50
Bank Balance		\$9,934.85
Bank Balance This Time Last Year		\$9,799.02



Cruising News



Marker 21 Cruise

February 24-25
John and Lynda Geraci

Back to the Island!

Let's get the boats ready for an easy, relaxing cruise to Marker 21. Bring your favorite grilling food, a side to share and chairs to the spoil island, Marker 21.

The plans are no plans - get to the island by Saturday, Feb 24, where we will start the cocktail around 4 and we will have the grill hot to cook by 5. Paper plates, plasticware and cups are supplied. Just add your favorite beverage, sample the sides, unfold your chair and kick back with the camaraderie of our sailing group. **Interested?** Sign up by emailing your Fleet Admiral Lynda Geraci at: slgeraci@att.net

St Augustine Cruise

April 21-29
Joe and Karen Coleman



Take a spring trip with us to St Augustine. We will be leaving from the Cocoa Village area on Saturday April 21st and returning on April 29th. Itinerary is as follows: Saturday night we will be at the City Marina in New Smyrna, Sunday night at the Marine Land Marina and on Monday noon be in St Augustine. Plan on staying in St Augustine until Friday when we will leave for Daytona, then Titusville and finally back home. If you would like to join us please contact me (Joe Coleman @ 321 223 6871) for more details.

St. Patrick's Day Cruise

March 17-18
Tom and MaryAnn O'Shea



Arrive early on Saturday, by boat or car, and enjoy the parade, which begins at 11 a.m. in downtown Melbourne, then enjoy the zany Irish festivities at Meg O'Malley's.

Anchor off Front Street Park and dinghy into Melbourne Harbor, or call Melbourne Harbor Marina for a reservation (321-725-9054). Melbourne Yacht Club will allow ECSA to use their dinghy docks, and there is room for two boats on the T-dock, first come first served. Call Tom O'Shea for the gate code.

ECSA activities will begin at 5 p.m. in "The Mansion" downstairs courtyard, just a short walk over Crane Creek from MYC or from downtown Front Street. Lots of parking available at the Mansion – but remember you get extra points for coming by boat!

Enjoy Blarney, Irish Humor, Irish music and a get-to-know-St. Patrick (even if you're not Irish) contest, complete with prizes and perhaps a visit by ECSA's very own Leprechaun. Wear your GREEN and join us for some magical fun!



The Mansion (<http://thebigmansion.com/> 321-345-5800) has good food at reasonable prices, including sandwiches, burgers and entrees, and most of all, a great variety of beer and wines.

Stick around or come back to join us Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. for a potluck breakfast in Front Street Park.

We would like to have a good estimate for the number of people coming to the Mansion, so would appreciate a phone call if you plan to be there.

For more information or to sign up, call Tom O'Shea at 321-986-8772 or 919-423-1508. Or send email to teo-shea@bellsouth.net

Hope to see you there!

Tom and MaryAnn O'Shea

2018 CFFW Marine Flea Market

- Harbortown Marina along with Citizens for Florida's Waterways are hosting the 21st Annual CFFW Marine Flea Market on March 24th and 25th. The gates are open from 8AM to 4PM daily. There is free admission and parking. You'll find a little bit of everything there. Vendors will have new and used equipment for both sail and power boats. For further information check out their web site: <http://cffw.org/flea-market/>

Local Bridge Opening Time Update

There have been changes made to the opening schedules for Mathers Bridge and the 401 Bridge at Port Canaveral. The Mathers Bridge change was requested due concerns about too much wear and tear from frequent openings, especially on weekends. This affects sailors traveling the Banana River. The 401 Bridge schedule was changed to avoid traffic backups during peak cruise ship hours. This affects those going to the Memorial Day cruise at the port. If you get stuck on the west side of the bridge you will not be allowed to tie up inside the Barge Canal Lock or the pylons along the north side, so plan carefully. The following excerpts are from the Federal Register.

Mathers Bridge

Under this test deviation, in effect from 6 a.m. on February 5, 2018 to 6 a.m. on August 4, 2018, the bridge shall open for vessels requesting passage on the hour and half hour, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday through Thursday. On Friday, Saturday and all Federal holidays, 24 hours a day, the bridge shall open for vessels on the hour and half hour. At all other times, the bridge shall open on signal if at least two hours' notice is given. Vessels able to pass through the bridge in the closed position may do so at any time. The bridge will be able to open for emergencies and there is no immediate alternate route for vessels to pass through the bridge in closed position. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/02/20/2018-03347/drawbridge-operation-regulation-banana-river-indian-harbour-beach-fl>

401 Bridge

This rule is effective March 2, 2018 until further notice.

b) The drawspans of the SR401 Drawbridges, mile 5.5 at Port Canaveral, must open on signal; except that, from 6:30 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Monday through Friday except Federal holidays and from **11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays**, the drawspans need not be opened for the passage of vessels. From 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., the drawspans must open on signal if at least three hours' notice is given. The drawspans must open as soon as possible for the passage of public vessels of the United States and tugs with tows. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/01/31/2018-01913/drawbridge-operation-regulation-canaveral-barge-canal-canaveral-fl>

Don't miss our next meeting:

Our guest speaker of the "First Aid for Cruisers", Dr. Floyd Bryan, will address how extensive a med kit should be and some of the medical issues that may occur during a cruise on March 14th at 7:00pm., at the ECSA Membership Meeting at the Satellite Beach Civic Center.



Welcome New Members!

Tom Eskridge
Dave and Debbie Lane
Will Lilienthal

Hospitality



Thank you to Eileen Kiesel and Simon Kimoujian for refreshments at the March general membership meeting.



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2018 PROPOSED ECSA Events Calendar

Date	Event [Contact]	Date	Event [Contact]
Mar 14	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>	Aug 8	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>
Mar 17-18	St. Patrick's Day - Melbourne Harbor {O'Shea}**	Aug 25-26	Capt. Katanna's {Boyd}**
Mar 24-25	CAPTF Squid Lips & Air Show {Coleman}**	Sept 1-4	Labor Day Cruise - Ft Pierce {Camp}**
April 11	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>	Sept 12	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>
April 21-22	<i>Boy Scout Island {Temple}**</i>	Oct 10	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>
May 9	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>	Oct 20-21	Sebastian or Capt. Hiram's {Fletcher}**
May 26-28	Memorial Day Cruise - Port Canaveral {Cox/Lauren}**	Nov 14	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>
Jun 13	<i>General Membership Meeting</i>	Nov 17-18	Rotary Park - {BOG}
June 23-24	<i>Summer Sailstice - Grills {Proffitt}**</i>	Dec 12	<i>General Membership Meeting—Potluck</i>
July 4	Cocoa Village {Wiley}**	TBD	Boat Parade - {Hutson}**
July 11	<i>General Membership Meeting—Potluck</i>		

** ECSA Sponsored Cruise

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