Results of 2020 MYC Charity Drive

THANK YOU, MYC! Heartfelt gratitude to all the MYC members who donated to the 2020 Charity Drive. Once again, MYC has displayed its generosity. We raised $1950 in contributions! Given that our social time together—when most of the fundraising takes place—was so limited, we had a very successful drive. Much appreciation to an unnamed donor who gave an extraordinarily generous gift! This year’s recipients of contributions were planned to be the Haven for
Children and Space Coast Sailing Education Foundation, split 50/50. In the spirit of holiday goodwill, Space Coast Sailing decided their allocation should go to the Haven!

The Haven expressed their sincere appreciation for the gift they received. They will post it on their Facebook page to recognize MYC.

Thank you, MYC Board of Directors, for supporting the Charity Drive. Thanks are also due to 2020 Committee members Amy Lacy and Jacki Leahy for all their hard work.

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**Commodore's Report**

I have been questioned by a number of members “why would you want to be Commodore another year”? Maybe it is because I would like to be at the helm when we are able to experience the fun and true camaraderie of Melbourne Yacht Club. Also there are number of projects and goals that have not been achieved due to the challenge of the Pandemic.

2020 was mostly about distancing ourselves and I am hoping that 2021 we are able to gather about and encourage each other to go sailing. Our 2020 activities were of the competitive nature, regattas and only regattas speckled our calendar, but there is so much more we should be planning. Of course for the next few months we should be encouraging outside activities, cookouts, movies, cornhole tournaments, our sailing education programs.

Soon we will be able to offer parties and seminars. Page Proffitt is biting at the bit to get things underway with the presentation from “Cruise Abaco” on Friday Feb 5, and later this month, February 21 a program on cruising Florida. These are very informative and anyone with a notion to go cruising will certainly benefit, but please play it safe and wear your mask and respect other’s space. Fleet Director Chuck Tanner has ideas, Cruises as well as regattas will embody the calendar.

A few years ago the LRPC and Board of Directors suggested new streams of revenue were required. In response the Junior sailing programs developed. Now it is time to promote clubhouse use, with our new Entertainment Director Frank Hujber along with our skilled Bar & Kitchen Director Tim Williams. MYC will venture forward to opening the club a couple of evenings during the week. But it will be necessary for the membership to make it successful. Once we have a plan in place we welcome your participation.

Gail Martin has already introduced two new members to MYC. However the list of resignations is growing. It was somewhat expected but ALL OF US have to make an effort to keep Gail, our Membership Director busy. Please convince your crew, your neighbors, your coworkers to give MYC a try. A good way to start is promote the sailing education programs. Corey Small should be publishing the schedule soon.

Vice Commodore Robert Scott who is now our Dock Master has relinquished the House duties to Rear Commodore Paul Henderson and each will have goals of their own and each will need help accomplishing them. All of the Directors will be looking for help, it is your duty as a member to aid them to make this club a better organization than it was previously. JOIN A COMMITTEE.
Though we did not have a Commodore’s Ball this year, it is important we recognize those members who demonstrated exceptional character or performance on the race course, as well as around the club grounds. The 2020 annual awards will be presented, the date is to be determined, I promise to give you enough warning.

Too often lately the clubhouse doors, the clubhouse windows and the annex have been left open after hours. Lucky enough the Leahys find these on their nightly walk through – so thank them. BUT it is not their responsibility to LOCK UP. IT IS YOURS! If you are walking through the club and you notice something out of place and no one else around PLEASE attend to it. If you think it warrants a call, please do.

There are two large projects that I would like to see done at MYC. A redesign / reconfiguration of the Trophy display and perimeter fence of the Tire Store lot. Please email if you would like to be involved with either of the projects.

Dave Noble
MYC Commodore

Vice Commodore, Director - Docks

Here we are in 2021 with a new board and hopeful for a good year at MYC. After two years as House Director, I am now seeing to the Docks. Paul Henderson will be overseeing House as the director. I was hoping I could ease into the new position without much change, but it has not yet been a week and I understand we will have some boats leaving and some slips opening up for reassignment. Guess I’d better read up on the procedures and processes. Seriously, I have been reading, and …

To qualify for a slip you must be a Resident or Emeritus member in good standing and be on the active Dock Slip Request List (DSRL). To get on the waiting list you must first complete the application and pay the nonrefundable $15 application fee. Members must be on the vessel title and registered in their name. Members cannot dock a friend’s or relative’s boat to preserve the spot; it must be registered and insured in the member’s name. Proof of ownership and liability insurance of at least $300,000 must be provided. Once the vessels that are leaving are formal and confirmed those members on the short list will be contacted. Stay tuned.

One final note on House issues. I want to thank Dean Butler, Art Crocker, Gary Briand, Michelle Jennings, Pat Stadt, Clyde Barry, Jim Todd, Valarie Taylor and Marybeth Scott for helping to finish painting the back deck. It looks a thousand times better.

A shout out and thanks to Karen Vander Meyden for donating a 50” TV to the club. We installed it in the bar area and will use the older 32” TV for education in the Annex. Thanks to Dean Butler for helping me install the new TV.

Until next time, keep safe.

Robert Scott
Vice Commodore, Director
Docks
Rear Commodore, Director - House

As we start a New Year with a new Board at MYC, I am excited to serve this year as your House Director. I would like to thank the continued dedication of the house committee and welcome Kevin Villa to the house committee.

Please watch for an announcement in the Tell Tale for our upcoming Spring Clean–Up at the club. We continue to have some great sailing – see you out on the water.

Paul Henderson
Rear Commodore, Director
House

Grog Locker (aka Bar)

The bar will continue to be open on Friday evening and Sunday afternoon. Please remember that masks are required in the clubhouse, unless members are seated. There is no seating at the bar – please wear your masks when ordering drinks, and keep them on until you get to your table.

Please consider joining the bar committee. I will plan to have a meeting soon to go over procedures for opening and closing the bar, so let me know before then if you are interested in joining.

As always, if anyone has any suggestions, questions, or comments (especially about ways to encourage social distancing), please contact me, either at the club or by phone or e-mail. My e-mail is timothywilliams@cfl.rr.com, my cell phone is (321) 794-7040.

Tim Williams, Director
Bar & Kitchen

Membership

A new Board of Directors is in place for 2021 and I am taking over the Membership position. I am in training and learning all the procedures. We are looking for committee members and solicit your suggestions to enhance our membership. We are all Ambassadors of MYC so please spread the word about our great sailing opportunities, friendliness and our
good times at the club.

As of Feb. 4, 2021 we have 2 new Resident Members, Shawn & Jennifer Campbell and Bob Wiedenhaefer. Welcome!

Jerry & Rachele Ross and Grant & Debra Ball have achieved Emeritus Class as they have at least 45 years of membership with MYC.

4 Resignations and 4 Changes of Class; 2 of which are from Resident to Emeritus.

Resident = 130, Non Resident = 16, Corinthian = 2, Emeritus = 5, Junior Resident = 5, Provisional = 0, Extended Provisional = 0, Honorary = 7

Entertainment

Greetings fellow members! I’m looking forward to presenting some new or perhaps resurrected entertainment events along with longtime favorites. The new ones include…

- Cornhole tournament
- Industry Demo Day
- New Member/Recruitment Party
- Pirate Regatta
- Awards Ceremony (in lieu of this year’s Commodore’s Ball)

We’re also looking at presenting boating seminars in cooperation with Sailing Education. These may include the opportunity for certifications from the various sailing organizations such as the American Sailing Association, The United States Sailing Association, or the Coast Guard Auxiliary. The full Entertainment calendar will be published in the March Tell Tale.

Crucial elements of our success will be support from the membership by volunteering to present these events AND by your participation in attending. As we emerge from the fog of the pandemic, I hope to design events that are resistant to cancellation. As always, we are each stewards of our own health and welfare. But I’m also hoping, as we all are, that the storm has passed and that brighter days are ahead. So if you are able to help in any role, large or small, please join us at a meeting on Wednesday, February 24, 2021 from 6:30 to 8:00.

Fair winds…

Frank Hujber, Director
Entertainment
Greetings. My name is Chuck Tanner and I'm your new Fleet chair. Please let me know if you ever have any concerns or questions about racing, cruising or the club's power boats just email or text.

January was a beautiful weather, although we did run out of wind last week, for a good start to Rum racing in 2021. Thanks to Pat and Larry for keeping things organized and running smoothly. Any of you that have not paid your fees for the series please put them in the fleet mail box or me directly.

The Small Boat Sunday's also off to a good start thanks to Art, Karen S. and Karen V. We had Sunfish and Laser fleets for both races. By the way there are club boats available to use for both of those fleets or a 420. Please use the QR code to report use and any issues.

Full Moon series was a gorgeous evening with five boats participating including the top three finishers Hillbilly, Epic and Alivio. The next race is Saturday the 28th. No rum race that weekend so come on out!

I believe the next WOW (women's racing series) is on Saturday February 20th. We may need additional boats based on the Mermaid participation last year. Please let Suzanne Dunphy know if you have a boat, interested in sailing or have questions.

We had a great turnout for Mark and Patti Gonsalves, from Cruise Abaco. They gave some great information on what's open and where to go. Thanks Page for getting the word out. BTW Page is presenting another cruising seminar for Florida on 2-5pm Sunday the 21st. I'm going to be setting up multiple MYC cruise opportunities for the year, I would like to hear your ideas and suggestions.

MYC Power boat update. Thanks to Dean Buttler the new motor is on order to get all the power boats up and running. Due to Covid there is a delay in getting the motor somewhere between 2 and 4 months. We may need some assistance in cleaning and repairing the Key Largo while it is out of the water.

I'm sure I have left some important detail out or not thanked the correct person. I apologize. Please let me know and I will correct it in the future. Please let me know if you see something that fleet should be doing and isn't. I'm new to this and could use help and suggestions. I also need people to work on committees, especially as the Spring Regatta is just around the corner for both small and big boats. Del Wiese has stepped down as chairman of the PHRF committee which interfaces with the other clubs. I would like to coordinate with Del to make this a smooth transition, please let me know if you are interested and thanks Del for all you have done for the club.

Finally a special thanks to Peter Fischel who is the outgoing Fleet chairman for helping me transition to this position and Valerie for taking on the task of getting this Tell Tale out to everyone.

Chuck Tanner, Director
Fleet
Sailing Education

Sailing Education at MYC needs your help for 2021! We have several openings for staff, both as instructors and camp counselors:

- **US Sailing Level 1 Instructors - Basic Small Boat Sailing Class.** Part-time position. Work with adults to establish basic sailing skills using US Sailing curriculum. Instructor will conduct classroom, land-based drills, and water-based drills during a 16 hour course. Class is held at MYC facility. Classes are scheduled year-round for two weekdays from 6:30-8:30pm, then three weekend days from 9:00 am to 1:00pm. Sailing vessels are a combination of vanguard 420 and/or laser sailing dinghies. Instructors will utilize motorized coach vessel for water based drills. Active US Sailing Level 1 Instructor credentials required.

- **US Sailing Level 1 Instructors - Kids Camp Sailing Counselor.** Full-time position during summer camp season. Work with children ages 8 - 13 to establish basic sailing skills. Counselors provide a fun and engaging environment for children to foster an appreciation for the sport of sailing. Counselors are expected to work together to generate fun activities both on the water and on land for approximately 8-12 children. Optimist, club 420s, and lasers are available for on-water activities. A classroom is available for on-land activities. Active US Sailing Level 1 Instructor credentials desired. Camps are weekdays 9 am to 3 pm, starting Monday June 7, 2021 and ending August 6, 2021. There will also be a stand-alone Spring Break camp during March 15-19.

- **Kids Camp Manager.** Full-time position during summer camp season. Manage up to two camp counselors and 8-12 children during summer camp. The camp manager is the primary point of contact for parents of camp children, helping address questions and managing pickup and dropoff of children. Other responsibilities include generating parent engagement through social media and email. Camps are weekdays 9 am to 3 pm, starting Monday June 7, 2021 and ending August 6, 2021. There will also be a stand-alone Spring Break camp during March 15-19. Prior experience with summer camps desired.

- **US Sailing Level 2 Instructors - Intermediate Small Boat Sailing.** Part-time position. Introduce sailors to sailboat racing, including the rules of racing, starts, and tactics. Introduce additional sail trim techniques. Use current US Sailing curriculum. Conduct classroom, land-based drills, and water-based drills during a 16-hour course. Classes are scheduled year-round for two weekdays from 6:30-8:30pm, then three weekend days from 9:00 am to 1:00pm. Sailing vessels are a combination of vanguard 420 and/or laser sailing dinghies. Instructors will utilize motorized coach vessel for water based drills. Active US Sailing Level 2 Instructor credentials required.

- **Keelboat Instructor - Basic Keelboating Class.** Part-time position. Establish basic sailing and docking skills utilizing a 19-27' keelboat. Instructors will need to design course curriculum and utilize existing keelboat curricula. Class will be held at MYC, and the schedule is TBD. ASA or US Sailing keelboat Instructor accreditation required, USCG OUPV Limited or Coastal License desired.

Please submit applications to the MYC Sailing Education Director, Corey Small, at coreysmall3@gmail.com.

Are you new to MYC, or maybe don't know many people in the club? Volunteering is a great way to get to know other club members, and volunteers are needed at every experience level and age range. Last year's volunteers were invaluable to Instructors in the small boat classes and camp counselors in the summer camps. If you would like to be a volunteer in 2021, please contact Corey Small at coreysmall3@gmail.com to be placed on the Sailing Ed committee email chain.
Space Coast Youth Sailing

Sailing conditions have generally been good with a few exceptions so most practices have been run and when the weather is bad, a make-up day is scheduled. The hard work of the coaches is paying off. Eighteen sailors attended our most recent regatta in Jensen Beach. We are proud of all of our sailors but a special shout out to David Vinogradov and Justin Tribou who won the 16-boat 420 fleet. Our next regatta is Feb 14 in Palm Beach followed by one at Melbourne YC on March 6.

Check us out on Instagram at spacecoastsailing for the latest team news. There are some really good pictures and videos of our sailors in action.

None of this would be possible without all who support to our program including EGYC and MYC as well as Southern Pine Lumber, Ciao Bella, Porsche, Audi and Mercedes Benz of Melbourne, Longdoggers, Flavin, Nooney and Person, Intracoastal Brewing, FPL, Keron LLC, Sleighride, Goin’ Deep, Ginny II, Mamook, Vanderveer Properties, Phantom, the Heinen and Braselton families, Firm Options, Santarella, Ferguson’s Automotive and Marine, Coppercoat USA, Noble Awards and Craig Rastello, CPA

Phil Spletter
Space Coast Sailing

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Calendar

February
Feb 1 - MYC Board meeting
Feb 3 - MYC General meeting
   Feb 7 - Rum Race
Feb 13 - Dragon Point Winter # 2
   Feb 14 - Small Boat Sunday
Feb 20 - Women on Water
   Feb 21 - IRYC Sunday Winter Race # 2
   Feb 21 - Rum Race
Feb 26 - Full Moon Series # 2
   Feb - 28 Small Boat Sunday

March
Mar 7 - IRYC Sunday Winter Race # 3
   Mar 7 - Rum Race
Mar 13 - Dragon point Winter # 3
   ** Mar 14 - Daylight Saving (Start)
   Mar 14 - Small Boat Sunday
   Mar 17 - St. Patrick's Day
   ** Mar 19 - Rum Race ** Friday 6pm start
   Mar 20 - Women on Water
Mar 21 - Space Coast Sailing Youth Regatta
   Mar 27 - Full Moon Series # 3

Bulletin Board

INVOICE REMINDER
Please remember to use (and print clearly) the PRIMARY MEMBER’S LAST NAME and membership number on all purchases; Bar Checks, House Checks, Bosun Locker Checks, etc. Also, please include your membership number on personal checks.

US Sailing Number
MYC is a cooperating group member with Boat US. The Group ID Number is GA80782Y and can be used to sign up for half-price Boat US Memberships.

Warning
Fuel storage is never allowed in the Annex!
Not even a little!!

ARTS-N-CRAFT CREW
First and third Tuesday morning of each month at 10:00 AM.

MYC Book Club
The MYC Book Club meets the last Thursday of the month at 10:30am at the yacht club. We welcome new members both men and women.
Susan Kiser is taking over the co-ordinating from Amy Lacey. Contact Sue Kiser at susankiser551@yahoo.com for more information about the current month's selection.

Tabs
Please remember to deposit your tabs from your beer and soda cans in the plastic container located near the door to the back deck. The tabs go the Ronald McDonald House collection site.

For Sale
If you have something boat related that you want to sell, please give a short description with price and maybe a small picture, and your contact information. Please send your submission to MYC-newsletter@melbournemyachtclub.com by the end of the first weekend of each month to be included in that month’s Tell-Tale.