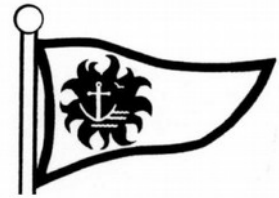


The Semaphore

Fairfield Harbour Yacht Club



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Boat Bash was successful this year with eight yacht club boats hosting 38 New Neighbors. Boats were seen cruising the Inner Harbour, Northwest and Upper Broad Creeks, and the Neuse River. Although skies threatened rain, several boats were able to do some sailing without getting wet. At dinner, hosted by New Neighbors, we had the opportunity to meet people new to the community. Thanks to Darlene Cleveland, Karen Buglovsky, and George Stateham for coordinating the event.

What a turnout for the Fireworks Cruise. Twenty-eight boats signed up and all came, the last arriving as the afternoon storm on the 4th subsided. Land yachts brought more members and guests for each splash and the dinner. Weather was the highlight of the cruise. First the heat! People sought shade, air conditioning, and the pool to keep cool. Mother Nature stepped up with rain, lots of it. What a storm Monday afternoon! And then lightning and thunder to compete with the fireworks provided by several communities. Fortunately light rain did not dampen the New Bern fireworks.

The Full Moon for July is sometimes called the Full Thunder Moon because thunder is more frequent during this time of year. However, there was no thunder or rain for the Full Moon Raft-up, just minimal interest. Only two boats signed up so land yachts converged at the West's home instead.

The July Yacht Club dinner was held at a new restaurant in Oriental called The O'Town Restaurant. With reservations full and seating planned on the veranda, hopefully the weather cooperated.

As of the General meeting, the Cape Lookout Cruise was iffy. Surgery and conflicting schedules prevented the leaders from going. Only two or three boats were signed up to go. Thunderstorms and HOT weather continue to plague all summer events this year and may well have been a deterrent for what is normally a favorite destination.



There are only three waypoints to consider in August. Some boaters have already chosen the Three Dinner Cruise. It is now fully booked with its six boat limitation. The third day of their cruise, these boaters will join Shrimparoo in Oriental.

Remember that the date has changed for Shrimparoo. It will be on August 20 because of a calendar conflict at their facility. I hope many of you will come for a great meal which includes a bucket of shrimp. It is a great activity for land yachters as well as those coming by boat.

The Full Sturgeon Moon is scheduled in August. It is also called the Full Red Moon, which attendees of the Raft-up may see as the moon begins to rise. Raft-ups are always a fun way to spend an evening sharing food and company.

Keep cool and enjoy the rest of your summer.

*Louise Knight
Commodore*

What's Happening

August	Tu	2	Race: Fun Racing.....	
	Tu	9	Board Meeting (ac).....	0900
	Tu	9	Race: Fun Racing.....	
	Th	11	Yacht Club General Meeting (cc).....	1930
	Mo	15	Full Moon Raft-up.....	1800
	Tu	16	Race: Fun Racing.....	
	Th-Su	18-21	Three Dinner Cruise.....	
	Sa	20	Shrimparoo.....	
	Tu	23	Race: Fun Racing.....	
	Tu	30	Race: Fun Racing.....	

(cc) = Community Center (ac) = Activity Center

Deadline for the next issue is noon on Monday, August 15

Delivery is Saturday, August 27

General Meeting July 14, 2016

Commodore Louise Knight called the meeting to order at 1930 and led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Introduction of Guests: Jessie Verbel, granddaughter of the Commodore, at ETYSA sailing camp this week, by Don Knight; Peter and Suzanne Budzynkiewicz by Georgie Jackson; Pam and Rick Miller by Jackie and Dennis Howard; Fred and Ellen Lacey by Kathie King. Rose Litke introduced David and Lisa Reeves, host and hostess of the Yacht Tortuga tour.

Induction of New and Reinstated Members: Olwen Jarvis, on behalf of Lynn Stateham, introduced new members Norm and Yvonne Meissner (sponsored by the Gagnons and Frysiek/Wheaton). They were welcomed and presented with their burgee by Commodore Knight.

Minutes: A motion was made and carried to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the June 9, 2016, General Meeting (Fortenbaugh/Knight).

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Deadline

Deadline is 1200 the Monday following the Yacht Club Meeting. Please e-mail articles to the address listed below:
fhycsemaphore@gmail.com

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report for June 2016 has been approved by the Board and is available for review.

Program: Elliot Alterman introduced Bud Ellis, who had served as Dockmaster at Northwest Creek Marina for 17 years, to speak about hurricane preparedness.

Presentation: The POA proposal to acquire the amenities was presented by Paul Hill.

Rear Commodore's Report

Education: Bob Fortenbaugh stated that the Committee is in summer break mode. The Rules of the Road presentation in June was the last program. On September 9, Kathie King will present a program on medical preparation for cruising and use of first aid kits. Ruthie Levin will provide another navigation course if there is interest. Club members interested in taking the navigation course should contact Ruthie directly.

Hospitality: Jenny and Steve Dark and Rose and Henry Litke were hosts.

Maintenance: The marker should be replaced soon in Spring Creek. The pole has been placed.

Program: There will be a program in August, although the topic is not known at this time.

Youth Programs: Due to a lack of interest, the Youth Picnic was canceled.

Vice Commodore's Report

Semaphore: Articles should be submitted by noon on Monday.

Storekeeper: There are sale items available. See the storekeeper for details.

Commodore's Report

The Board has been working on revisions to the Policies and Guidelines. The revised document will be completed by the end of the month and posted on the Website. An email will be sent to members when it is available.

Cruise Planning: Paul Eckenroth reported for George Stateham. Thanks were extended to the Boat Bash participants. There has been one cancellation for the Three Dinner Cruise so there is an opening. Contact George Stateham if you are interested in participating. Mark West announced that a Full Moon Raft-up is scheduled for Sunday at 1800 in the Inner Harbour. Three boats are signed up. Contact Mark to register. Marc Bergmeuller is in charge of the Shrimparoo on August 20. Note that the date in Yearbook is incorrect. Shrimparoo is tied into the Three Dinner Cruise. Brian Giersch spoke on Cape Lookout Cruise. The skippers meeting is Monday at 1000 in the Activity Center. The cruise is leaving Thursday of next week. Only two power boats have expressed interest. One sailboat will join if weather permits. Don Knight thanked everyone who participated in July 4 event, which drew 125 members and guests.

Yacht Club Dinners: Bev Myrseth reported that this month's dinner will be held at The O'Town Restaurant in Oriental—formerly the Waterfront Street Grill and now owned by Silo owners. Seating will be on the veranda. A sign-up sheet is available tonight. Directions will be emailed. There will be no Yacht Club Dinner in August.

Racing: Mark Hallquist announced that the NOR for the 33rd Oar Race is available online at Regatta Networks.

Announcements: Two items were left at Fireworks event, a bowl and a pot holder. See the Commodore if they are yours.

A motion was made and carried to adjourn the meeting (Fortenbaugh/Curry). The meeting adjourned at 2025.

Respectfully submitted,
Jan Green
Secretary

Full Moon Raft-up

The next Full Moon Raft-up is scheduled for Monday, August 15, beginning at 1800 in the Inner Harbour. The Full Moon Raft-ups provide a great opportunity to introduce friends and prospective members to the yacht club. Remember to bring an appetizer to share and the beverage of your choice.

If you plan on attending the raft-up, please send an email to Mark West at:
mark@ontheboat.us

Everyone who registers for the raft-up will be informed of any last minute changes should weather be a problem.

Notice of Race

John Walsh Memorial

Oar Race

Saturday

September 3, 2016

Visit the FHYC Website

fhy.com

for Details



Fall Appreciation Dinner Save the Date!

The date for the Fall Appreciation Dinner has been changed. Please take note and mark your calendars accordingly.

Fall Appreciation Dinner Thursday, October 20 Taberna Country Club

Look for the flyer in the September *Semaphore*.



Make New Friends! Become a Sponsor!



Have you sponsored a new member lately? It's a good way to meet new folks joining FHYC and getting into the swing of all the fun activities.

Our prospective members are enthusiastic, friendly, interested in FHYC and might just be your neighbor down the street or up the dock.

Call Lynn Stateham, Membership, if interested. 672-9171



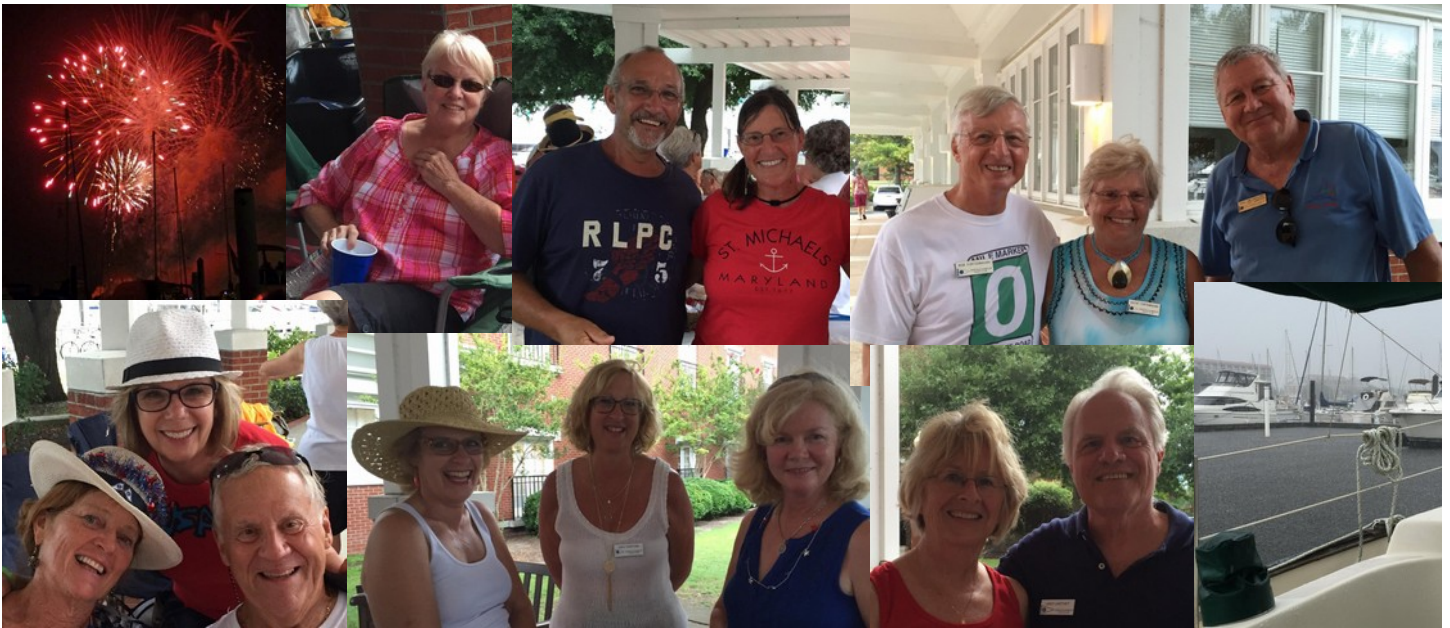
Welcome Our New Members

Norman and Yvonne Meissner were approved for membership at the July Board Meeting. They have a Hallberg Rassy 35' sailboat named MacGuyver's Ride. They are sponsored by Carol Frysiek and Rick Wheaton and Ed and Sue Gagnon.

Norman and Yvonne relocated here from Punta Gorda, Florida, where they were members of the Punta Gorda Sailing Club. Norman has owned many boats and is a graduate of the Maine Maritime Academy. Yvonne is looking forward to the many social events of FHYC.

Please join me in extending a warm welcome to these new members, and introduce yourself at the next meeting or event.

*Lynn Stateham
Membership*



Fourth of July Cruise

What a great event in spite of the rain. On Sunday there were some 25 boats at the marina, so the people there took advantage of the weather for a splash. It was decided to use the gazebo outside the dock master's office to make sure we stayed somewhat dry. That was a good decision as the rain came down and we stayed dry. There were about 40 people there and the appetizers provided were of course delicious. A poll was taken and it was decided to hold the next night's festivities at the same gazebo.

At about 1500 on July 4 not only did the rain come but so did the lightening and the wind. It was clocked at 57 mph at the dock. The thought was here goes the splash, dinner, and maybe even the fireworks. About 1630 the rain went away and the last boat arrived for a total of 28 and the splash started on time. As dinner started at 1800 there were about 125 people at the event. The food was outstanding and when we finished eating there wasn't much left. The rain started again at 2000. Some fireworks from the surrounding communities started so we watched them, not knowing if the New Bern one's would go. It was still raining lightly, but by 2130 the New Bern fireworks started and as usual they were spectacular. The audience cheered and clapped as the fireworks went on for about 20 minutes.

Fun was had by all. Since the cruise was such a success, we have asked the dock master to reserve space for us for 2017.

Don & Louise Knight

