





Commodore Kiki Rohr

Commodore's Log

Happy June, fellow members! It's hard to believe that 2022 is almost half over, but the absence of a lot of our seasonal members and the opportunity to welcome our summer members is a pretty good indication that time is marching on.

First and foremost this month, I'd like to make a special request: please pay attention to where you park. We want to be a good neighbor to the City Marina

next door and parking in our allotted spots is a great way to start. Our front parking lot, obviously, is first choice; if there are no spaces there, please use the East lot directly across the street. If that lot, too, is filled, then park in the Marina spaces closest to Rio Vista Boulevard and the

spaces that abut our driveway. Please DO NOT park in the Marina spaces that are close to the dock, as those are reserved for boaters. If we can adhere to this parking guidance, everyone will be happy and I thank you for helping us out.

As I mentioned earlier, we welcome our summer members, of which there are almost 60 this year. We are so happy to have you join us and get a taste of the hospitality, great cuisine and fabulous service we offer. As you know, you also have access to our summer reciprocals, so go ahead and dive in...the water's fine here!

At the board meeting on May 17, your board of directors voted to have Bob Scofield take the seat vacated when we lost our dear friend and colleague John Piecuch. Bob is our dockmaster; he also has been instrumental in helping manage the complicated South Patio project. Bob's seat on the Nominating Committee will be filled by Gary Kinasewitz. Heartfelt thanks to both Bob and Gary for stepping in to support the club.

Speaking of the South Patio project, we are crossing our fingers for a mid- to late July grand opening. There literally are changes to the site every day, so step outside and help chart our progress.

Wishing you fair winds always, Kiki

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FLORIDA COUNCIL OF YACHT CLUBS (FCYC)



The May 2022 FCYC Council meeting convened at Marco Island Yacht Club, a beautiful setting a few miles south of Naples. The club is very friendly and offers outstanding services; it is easily accessed by water and dockage is first class floating docks. If traveling in the area a visit is highly recommended; please remember to always call ahead.

P/C Rey Neville, Director FCYC

This was the first meeting chaired by our new Commodore, John Timmel, who set the tone of the meeting with a set of goals and objectives for the coming year that included:

- The creation of an ambassador program for clubs that would like an in-depth view of the mission and accomplishments of the Council;
- Include biennial Past Commodores' meetings during the general meeting to gain insights for the bridge on past issues and good ideas that may never have quite materialized;
- Develop a standardized, attractive set of one-page club profiles for use by member clubs to place in club publications, etc.
- Provide training to new directors;
- Entertain some friendly inter-club competitions, such as sailing dinghies, golf, tennis, pickle ball, etc.
- Work to define reciprocity standards. Clubs have different rules, especially since COVID. (NOTE: All members are reminded that reservations are a must before dropping by a FCYC member club, even for cocktails.)

Group Insurance – docks: 19 clubs initially expressed interest in the project; of those, 10 remain after interviews and evaluations. Coverage will start on June 1 and will be individualized for each club.

Commodore's Cruise: After a 2-year hiatus, the annual FCYC Commodore's Cruise is restored. This year's trip is a paddlewheel riverboat cruise up the Mississippi from St. Louis to Minneapolis aboard the American Queen. It is a 9-day itinerary – October 16-24, 2022. Please see page 13 for more information. For additional details and to make reservations:

- 1. Go to https://floridacouncilofyachtclubs.com
- 2. See "what's new"
- 3. Click on "click here for commodore's cruise information"

Or Contact Patricia Kelley to reserve your space at: pak2travel@hotmail.com.

The next meeting is at Isles Yacht Club, Punta Gorda, FL, July 8-10. YBYC members are always welcome to attend FCYC functions. Please contact Shawn or me for more information.



Winners of the FCYC Founders Awards. VBYC Yachtsmen were the only ones on the east coast to earn this prestigious award.

CHEF RODNEY SMITH



What a difference a year makes. Rodney Smith, our executive chef, has made VBYC a club where members and their guests can now enjoy a delicious casual meal by the water or have a beautifully plated, fine dining evening meal in the main dining room.

Karen Donofrio, Publicity and Publications Committee chair, and Sue Burton sat down with Chef Rodney to chat with him and celebrate his first year at VBCY. An interesting conversation ensued.

Chef loves balancing formal with informal cuisine, serving fried green tomatoes with lump crab, deviled eggs topped with bacon jam, and duck breast with fresh creamed corn. When asked where he gets his ideas, he laughed and said he has a "cookbook addiction." When eating out, he said a simple garnish may inspire him to create a recipe around it.



The chef really shines at the club's wine pairing dinners. He develops his menus based either on his own experiences or from notes about the wines chosen. His preference, though, is to develop a menu and then have the wines paired to the food.

Chef Rodney noted that he was surprised how much the members love fresh seafood. Some of the most popular items on his menus have been fish, crab cakes and lo mein dishes. He shared that members won't often see eggplant, zucchini and squash served because he personally doesn't care for them. The chef did say that he never uses frozen vegetables, except green peas. He likes to use local ingredients but it is harder to find them during the summer months as it's too hot to grow vegetables. Chef Rodney doesn't like to waste food and loves being creative with leftovers.



While Chef Rodney enjoys serving Caribbean and Southern Florida cuisine at the club, he likes ethnic cuisines when dining out. He favors Chinese and Mexican, but seafood is his favorite. He suggests if you are preparing your own fish to keep it simple: Do not overcook the fish and serve it with a lemon and butter pan sauce.

Chef Rodney has brought many wonderful changes to the VBYC kitchen and the food served. He is quick to credit his team in the kitchen: Dan, Tommy, Alexis, Beau, Forest, Max, Antwawn, and Jerry.

The chef said that his goal for the coming year is to dress up the buffets with nicer serving pieces. He loves ceramics and was so happy when he was able to order some new plates and bowls as they help with the presentation of the food.

To end the interview, Chef Rodney said he would like to thank the VBYC membership for the wonderful welcome they have given him.



WINEAUX



Spring Into Summer with Light, Bright Wines

The Spiring Into Summer wine dinner on April 27 brought about 40 VBYC members and guests together for an event whose theme was light wines, combined with light dishes, appropriate for warmer weather. Stephan, our wine guru from Antares Wine Distributors, and Chef Rodney collaborated for an outstanding presentation.

Top wine honors went to the Provence Rose from the French vineyard, Auguste Antonin. Including the unusual addition of Cinsault grapes, this

is a wonderful summer sipper that went beautifully with the Pan Seared Foie Gras. A wonderful Italian white made from rare Verdeca grapes grown in the Puglia region of Italy proved to be the second favorite of the evening.

From the first course of King Crab with Black Caviar, paired with a white Picpoul grape varietal from the French winemaker Langaran, to the fabulous Lamb Ribeye with House-Made Lamb Sausage served with Mushroom goat Cheese Croquette and finishing with desert, a luscious Chocolate Mousse Bombe, paired with a lightly effervescent red from the northern Italy region of Emilia-Romagna, the dishes and wines certainly accomplished the goal of keeping the evening's offerings light, summery, and delicious.

If you missed the dinner and want to try some of the wines, please ask your server what is available.



SHIPMATES



SHIP STORE SALE - FRIDAY, JUNE 10: 4:30 – 6:00 PM

For those of you who were unable to attend the Shipmates meeting on Friday, May 13, you missed an excellent seminar on "Aging with Grace and Dignity" presented by Dr. Deepti Sadhwani.

I was impressed with the depth of Dr. Sadhwani's knowledge and the passion she displayed while citing her very personal reasons for practicing medicine and treating her patients in the manner she does. She explained in-depth signs of aging as well as signs of dementia and possible preventive steps for that very common condition. Everyone agreed that Dr. Sadhwani would be welcome to expand on her presentation during a repeat visit in the fall.



Shipmates Faye Estes and Brenda Lloyd created a beautiful Kentucky Derby-themed gift basket valued at over \$165 that was raffled off during the club's Kentucky Derby party. The winner of the basket was Bobby LeBeau - photo finish, Bobby!

Mary Wohlstein, president, and Janet Leh, vice president, will be retiring at the end of the year. Volunteers are needed to fill these positions; if you are interested, please contact either Mary Wohlstein (<u>m_wohlstein@yahoo.com</u>) or Janet Leh (<u>pjleh1@gmail.com</u>).



This meeting of the Shipmates was the last for the season; we hope to see you when we resume on Friday, September 9 at 11 a.m.

For those of you who are leaving us, I wish you fair winds and following seas. For those of you who are year-round members, I hope to see you at the club.



Mary

TRITON SUBMARINE MANUFACTURING PLANT TOUR



ON THE WATERFRONT



KAYAK OUTING — Blue Cypress Lake: Saturday June 4 at 9 a.m. Kayak through this idyllic cypress tree forest. Never kayaked before? We will teach you! Contact Toby Jarman at <u>jotoby@moonriveriii.com</u> if you plan to attend. For kayak rentals, email Maddy of Adventure Kayaking at <u>madelynrussell12@gmail.com</u>.

BRUNCH and RAFT UP — Sunday June 5 at 1 p.m.

After your world famous VBYC brunch, head out to "Hole in the Wall" (west of ICW green marker 111) to tie up with your fellow boaters in this 7' deep protected anchorage. Can't make the brunch? No problem! Just come and join in the fun. We will monitor VHF channel 72. Contact Dave Malek at <u>Soleprovider67@aol.com</u>.





SUNSET CRUISE — Wednesday June 8 (sun sets at 8:16 p.m.) Fill your boat with friends and enjoy a beautiful cruise at your own pace and departure time before or after dinner at the club. Attention non-boat owners: after Tuesday's June 7 Bucks Drawing, there will be special drawings for free rides on "Friendship" for this event (you must be present to win). Contact Toby Jarman at <u>jotoby@moonriveriii.com</u>.

SPOIL ISLAND CLEANUP - Saturday June 18th, 2022.- 10 a.m. – 12 noon. Interested members should email Connie Dominianni by Monday June 20th, 2022, at conid@aol.com to participate in the quarterly cleanup of our spoil island. Captains, crew, old, new and summer members – all are welcome!



MAY 1, 2022 RAFT UP / AIR SHOW



THE FRIENDSHIP

Congratulations

Congratulations to all VBYC members on the purchase of your brand new, beautiful Friendship! A big thank you to all members who made it possible with your pre-paid rental purchases.

The new Friendship is a Sylvan party/fish tritoon (meaning she has three pontoons), providing outstanding stability with seating for 11 passengers. She has a 115 Yamaha engine, a privacy changing enclosure and a bait well for those who love to fish. The new Friendship will be ready for use June 1. You must complete a training session prior to use.

The layout of the new Friendship



ROLLING STONES TRIBUTE



APRIL 2022 WINNERS



9DINE Bill O'Neal Madesta Stevens Susan Donovan Jim Donovan

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KENTUCKY DERBY PHOTOS



Check the photo album on the VBYC website for more photos. <u>https://verobeachyachtclub.com/photos</u>

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH



MEMBER MIXER AND DJ DANCE



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BRUNCH AT THE CLUB

JOIN US FOR OUR WORLD FAMOUS BREAKFAST BUFFE

SUNDAYS, 10:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Featuring ...

Jerry Van Keulen, VBYC's Waffle King

Jerry, a fixture on Sundays as he prepares his signature Eggs Benedict (with house-made Hollandaise) and legendary waffles, has been living in Vero Beach since 1970. He was chef at Riomar Bay for 18 years, then moved to VBYC until his retirement in 2004. Now, our members are fortunate that he helps make our Sunday Brunches legendary in their own right.



SUMMER RECIPROCALS





brings you an unforgettable evening of entertainment. No other single musical act can deliver such amazing re-creation of so many legendary performers. You will be astounded by what you hear. Kearns' act includes vocal impersonations from artist who were popular from the 1920's through the 1970's. Hear the hit songs as they were originally recorded by famous singers like: Sinatra, Elvis, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, Dean Martin, Johnnie Mathis and many more!! A fantastic show to see!!



THURSDAY, JUNE 9 SHOW - \$20.00 REGULAR DINNER MENU



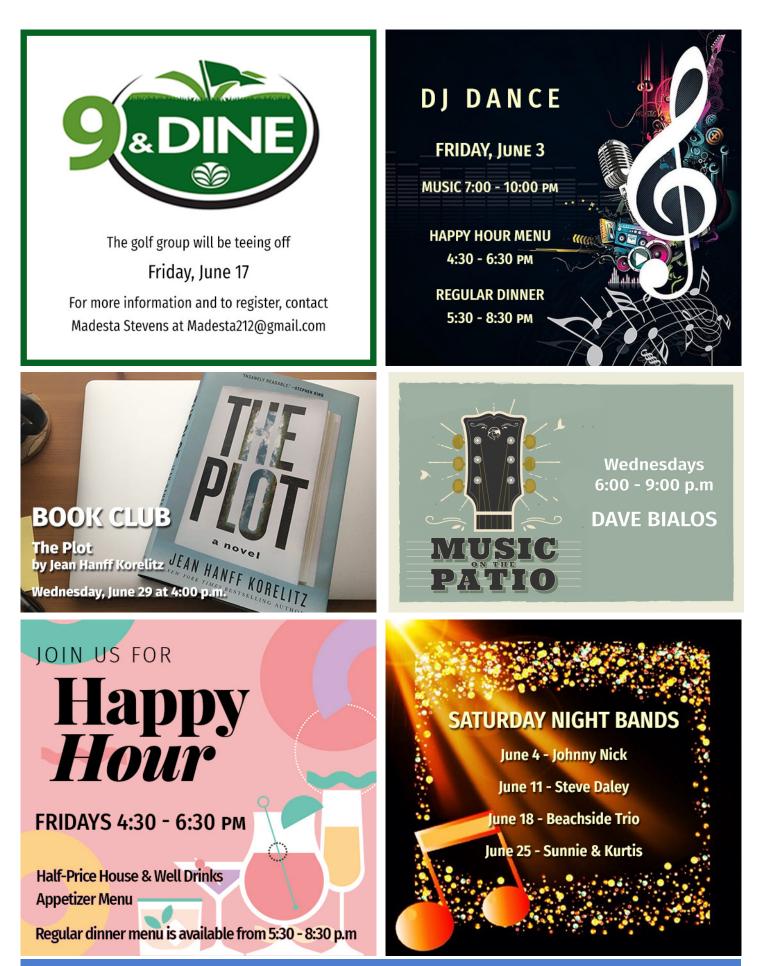
FATHER'S DAY BRUNCH

SUNDAY, JUNE 19 10:00 - 1:30 pm

A SPECIAL DAY TO HONOR ALL DADS

Expanded Brunch with Carving Item \$30.00++





FLORIDA COUNCIL OF YACHT CLUBS (FCYC)











The Florida Council Of Yacht Clubs' Commodore's Cruise October 16 – 24, 2022

Register Today for an Elegant Paddlewheel Riverboat Cruise on The Historic Mississippi River from Minneapolis to St. Louis!

- Join Our FCYC Group While Cruising In Style On Mark Twain's Mississippi River Aboard The Largest And Grandest Paddlewheel-Steamboat Ever Built – The Mighty "American Queen" Flagship Of The American Queen Voyages Collection (Aqvoyages.com)
- This Unique 9-Day Itinerary Starts On October 16th With A Complimentary Stay At The Radisson Blu At The Amazing Mall Of America And Concludes In St. Louis
- Highlights Include Visiting Mark Twain's Childhood Home And Museum In Hannibal, Missouri
- · Enjoy The Peak Of The Mississippi River's Fall Foliage Color Season
- Explore 8 Great American Towns & Cities With Complimentary Shore Excursions In classically decorated and intimate social and public spaces
- · Cuisine showcasing the nation's finest culinary influences
- · Entertaining shows every night

FCYC Commodore John And Marguerite Timmel would be honored to have you as their shipmates on this enjoyable and memorable journey!

Please register soon as space is limited and this is a cruise you won't want to miss!

Don't Miss The Boat!

For more information and to make your reservations, please:

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Be sure to ask for a free libation during your birthday month.

JUNE 2022

Reservations Required ~ 772-231-2211

Lunch: Wednesday through Friday: 11:00 a.m. ~ 1:30 p.m. Sunday Buffet Brunch: 10:00 a.m. ~ 1:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Music on the Patio: 6:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m. Dinner: Tuesday Through Saturday: 5:30 p.m. ~ 8:30 p.m. Saturday: Jackets optional in main dining room Saturday Music: 6:30 ~ 9:30 p.m. (main dining room)

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5 Pickleball Brunch Brunch & Raft Up	6 Club Closed	7 BRIDGE Friendship Drawing VBYC Bucks	8 Lunch Sunset Cruise	9 Lunch MAHJONG	10 Lunch ERIDGE SHIPSTORE BLUE GAVEL	11		
12	13	Drawing Dinner 14	Music on the Patio Dinner 15	Dinner 16	Happy Hour Dinner 17	Steve Daley Dinner 18		
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26 Pickleball Brunch	27 Club Closed	28 BRIDGE VBYC Bucks Drawing Dinner	29 Lunch Belab K Music on the Patio Dinner	30 Lunch MAHJONG				
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