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Commodore's Corner — Jim Kelly
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Welcome to this month's edition of Relative Bearings. As usual, we have a lot of club information in our newsletter so please make sure you read all the newsletter.

The Election committee has been hard at work looking for a 2025 board. As stated in the Bylaws, we will publish the proposed slate for the 2025 board in the September newsletter. At the October meeting we will take any nominations from the floor and at the November meeting we will vote to accept the new Board of Directors. If you have any questions or would like to understand the process, please refer to the Bylaws or ask a member of the board. Without further ado, here is the proposed Board of Directors for 2025

- Commodore - Nick Ward
- Vice Commodore - Ilyse Pinette
- Rear Commodore - Jim Russo
- Fleet Captain - Bob Solms
- Treasurer - Doris Houslander
- Secretary - Ruthie Russo
- Director - Diane Doner
- Director/Past Commodore - Jim Kelly

Please plan on attending the November meeting to vote the new board in. We must have at least 25% of voting member in attendance to vote the new board in.

Next up is the Commodores Ball. I will be meeting with the IA club in the next couple of weeks to finalize the menu and pricing. I will send a blast out with all the information as soon as it is available. The Theme this year is White Christmas. This year the event will be Formal Attire.



Vice Commodore — Michelle Kelly**Vice-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com**

September!! Who is ready for sweater weather? Me for sure! I'm ready for a break from this heat and some cool fall evenings!

The rain couldn't keep us away! Our Oceanside outing was a huge success even though Mother Nature had other plans. Thank you, Fred & Sherry Ciaburri, we had a great time. Thankfully the restaurant accommodated us and placed some of our members downstairs to eat and stay dry from the downpour. Some of us braved the wind and rain. It didn't last that long.



Vice Commodore

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There wasn't a meeting in August, so we will just have to make up for lost time and enjoy Mary Ann and her co-lead Quinn's patriotic celebration in September. I can't wait to see what goodies they have for us.

Our big social this month is at The Black Molly in St. Augustine. Summer Perry is the lead for this event. Happy hour starts at 4pm and I am looking forward to trying somewhere new. Be sure to sign up and join us. It will be a blast, I'm sure!

[Click here to sign up for the Black Molly Social](#)

As Flagler Beach and Flagler County continue to grow, finding places for socials can become difficult. Signing up for the events helps us with working with the local establishments to set up these events. So please use the links in the newsletter to sign up. You can also see all the events that have been scheduled in the Website calendar and use the link there to sign up.

We also still need a lead for the October Meeting. A lot of the seasoned members will be on a 3 weeklong trip and unable to help with the meeting. And the meeting has been moved to the 4th Thursday for this month (October 24th).

For all the newer members, and a reminder for members that have been in for a while. All these events happen because of the leads, co-leads and everyone that helps with putting everything together. If you see an event that interests you and you would like to help or possibly become the lead for it next year, reach out to the lead and see if they need help. It is a great way to see how these events are scheduled and put together. This club is a wonderful fun club because all of our members working together.

**Vice Commodore****Vice-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com****SAVE THE DATES:**

September Social:

- Location: Black Molly
- Lead: Summer Perry
- Date: Tuesday September 10th
- Time: 4 pm happy hour and full menu
- Address: 265 E Marina Cove Dr. St Augustine Fl 32080
- [Click here to sign up for the Black Molly Social](#)

September General Meeting:

- Location: Santa Maria Del Mar Catholic Church Rectory
 - ◊ 915 N Central Ave Flagler Beach
- Date: September 19th
- Time:
 - ◊ 6pm Social
 - ◊ 7pm general meeting
- Theme: Red, White and Blue
- Leads: Maryann Simard and Quinn Bui
- [Click here to sign up for the September general meeting](#)

October General Meeting

- Location: Santa Maria Del Mar Catholic Church Rectory
 - ◊ 915 N Central Ave Flagler Beach
- Date: October 24th
- Time:
 - ◊ 6pm Social
 - ◊ 7pm general meeting
- [Click here to sign up for the October general meeting](#)

October Social

- Location: Loopers Par & Grill
 - ◊ 100 Cooper Ln, Palm Coast 32137
- Date: October 27th
- Time: 5:30 pm
- Full menu available
 - ◊ Special: Lobster dinner for 2. \$40
- [Click here for October Social event](#)



Rear Commodore — Rich Van Dort**Rear-Commodore@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com**

As we all had August off to vacation, all was quiet on the membership.

Couples that just need their maritime events to be inducted are Steve and Maureen Moller, Jon and Peggy Lessig and Stan and Yara Ivanov.

Hopefully, we can accomplish this in September.

Remember, the new member award program for all current members. Bring in a new member and once they fill out the application and pay the \$100 fee, the member will receive \$10 off their Commodore ball fee. No limit on the members you can bring in. Hopefully, if everyone participates we can get

back to our membership goal.

Hopefully everyone took their share of the new Trifold brochures. I have plenty more if you need some.

Andy and Nancy Germain brought guests to the Oceanside event. Dedem and John Burke and the Wards also have invited guests. This is a great start, keep it up.

Remember we are having an informal membership drive at Herschal park on September 2nd, labor day. We will be manning a tent with our brochures.



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Ahoy! FBYC Boaters



Hello again from your 2024 Fleet Captain

On Saturday August 24th our hardy FBYC group traveled up the ICW inlet to Mantanzas Inlet for some beach up fun AND LOTS OF FOOD! 12 Boats participated (Kudos to you Captains!) and Randy Meyer won the captains' prize. Woo-Hoo Randy! Thanks to the Donors for leading (and for kindly taking it all off my plate) You guys are awesome!

I just have to say, **thanks once again to all that lead, co-lead and help out.** You all are super, and the outings have all been great successes. You all are what makes the club what it is. If you are able, please consider assisting those that are leading and co-leading an event. They can always use folks to lend a hand. If you have any questions on any event, please contact the lead folks directly or myself at Fleet-Captain@flaglerbeachyachtclub.com



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Please contact me with any questions or if you would like more information.

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***Fleet Captain — Steven Plump*****Fleet-Captain@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com****Following is a snapshot of Maritime outings to come in 2024:**

September 7th Canal Clean Up Bob Solms and Jim Kelly are leads. Plan is to pick up garbage on your own time then meet at Hershel King Park at 2:00 PM (Bring your garbage and the crew will figure who's has the most to win a prize). A picnic also starts at 2:00 which is bring a dish to share and your own drink.

September 22nd Caribbean Jacks/Lunch by Boat Bob Solms and Phillip Rahner are leads. Meet at PC Marina at 9:45 and travel down the Caribbean Jacks. The goal is to arrive at 11:00 at Caribbean Jacks.

October 19th TBD Treasure/Scavenger Hunt and Beaches St. Augustine lunch Linda and Al Rosa and Daisy and Tom Lucci are leads. Details to follow.

November 16th Cassen Park Ormond By Boat and Lunch at the Grind Bob and Cindy Fazzone and Linda and Al Rosa are leads. Details to follow.

December 14th Caroling On the Canals followed by Club Picnic Jim Kelly, Rich Van Dort and Phillip Raynor are leads. Details to follow.

January 2025 St. Augustine Night of Lights by Boat Bob Solms and Nick Ward are leads. Details to follow.

Upcoming Public Boating Events:

Daytona boat show- September 6, 7, 8!! Daytona Ocean Center

October

FORT LAUDERDALE INTERNATIONAL BOAT SHOW — Held in late Oct. through early Nov., encompassing over three million square-feet of exhibits at seven waterfront locations. The boats include everything from 100-foot mega-yachts to flats fishing skiffs, but there's more. Products, accessories, special events and seminars highlight the show, and over 100 food vendors promise a diverse, delicious way to refuel.

TAMPA BAY BOAT SHOW — Yachts! Cruisers! Kayaks! Paddle-boards! Boating and fishing supplies! Held at the Florida State Fairgrounds in Tampa, this free admission event spans three days. Fishing and boating seminars round out the fun.

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FORT MYERS BOAT SHOW — This popular four-day event is in downtown Ft. Myers on the Caloosahatchee River, with boats displayed in-water as well as on land, in addition to an indoor venue with accessories.

December

ST. PETERSBURG POWER AND SAILBOAT SHOW — Most likely one of the largest power and sailboat shows on the Gulf Coast, this four-day event includes events like kids fishing clinics and sailing seminars.



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Understanding Tides: What Every Boater Should Know



Because of the sun and moon's gravitational pull, oceans, rivers, and lakes are in constant motion. Therefore, it's not uncommon for boaters to navigate various water levels in a single boating adventure!

Understanding tides is something every boater should know, as it's necessary for a safe and enjoyable experience on the water. If you aren't sure where to begin, we're covering everything you need to know about tides for boating down below.

Types of Tides

Tides refer to the rising and falling of sea levels according to the sun and moon's gravitational pull. Here's a quick overview of the most common types of tides:

1. High Tides

As the name suggests, high tides occur when the water level is at its highest. Boating during high tide is always fun, as there's plenty of water to navigate within, and it's easy to avoid obstacles.

2. Low Tides

The opposite of high tides, low tides mean the water is at its lowest. It's important to be extra careful when boating during low tide, as the water is shallower. Therefore, it's easier to hit obstacles lurking beneath the surface.

3. Incoming Tides

An incoming tide means the tide is approaching the shoreline – moving from low to high tide.

4. Outgoing Tides

Opposite of incoming tides, outgoing tides describe the water moving away from the shoreline – transitioning from high to low tide.

5. Slack Tides

Slack tides refer to the short period between incoming and outgoing tides. At this point, the current is at its weakest.

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**Fleet Captain — Steven Plump****Fleet-Captain@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com****6. Neap Tides**

Neap tides occur during the first and third quarters of the moon's phases. During these phases, the sun and moon become perpendicular to one another, weakening their gravitational pull. Therefore, the difference between high and low tide is less dramatic.

7. Spring Tides

Unlike the name, spring tides have nothing to do with the spring season. Instead, they happen during the full and new moon phases. At this time, during the moon's cycle, the Earth, sun, and moon all align on the same plane. This phenomenon creates a stronger gravitational pull, causing the difference between high and low tides to become exceptionally large.

Understanding Tidal Currents

Tidal currents occur alongside the rising and falling of the tides. Essentially, the vertical motion of the tides causes the water to move horizontally and create currents. When a tidal current moves toward the land, it is said to "flood." And when the current moves toward the sea, it "ebbs."

Like tides, tidal currents are affected by the moon's different phases. When the moon is full or new, tidal currents are strong (called "spring currents"). And when the moon is in the first or third quarter phase, the currents are weaker (called "neap currents").

How Tides Affect Boat Handling

Most coastal areas experience two high tides over 24 hours. They occur 12 hours and 25 minutes apart – taking approximately six hours for the water to transition from high to low tide (or vice versa).

Here's how the changing tides and currents affect boat handling:

Docking

When you prepare to dock your boat, you need to keep the tides in mind. Docking is easiest during slack tide, as the minimal water movement is ideal (as long as the wind isn't strong).

Docking during high tide minimizes the risk of running aground, as you have more water to work with. However, the increased water level can make some boat docks more challenging to access.

On the other hand, docking during low tide increases the risk of hitting underwater obstacles. Additionally, your boat's draft (the distance between the waterline and the deepest point of your vessel) might pose an additional challenge.

***Fleet Captain — Steven Plump*****Fleet-Captain@FlaglerBeachYachtClub.com****Beaching**

Beaching your boat for a family picnic at a local island or sandbar? Make sure to check the tide conditions beforehand! As you can imagine, it is easiest to reach the shore during high tide. But if you stay too long, you risk getting stuck during low tide.

Launching

We always recommend planning your boating arrivals and departures around the tides. Try to enter and leave the marina during high tide, as it generally offers the smoothest sailing and docking opportunities.

Cruising

The greater the separation between low and high tides, the faster the current will be. Keep a reliable tide app or chart handy to ensure smooth sailing!

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Hi Everyone,

Hope everyone is having a great summer. See you at the September meeting!

As always, just a reminder that any checks for the club should be made out to FBYC and you can always send money through Zelle using my club email. Many of you have used this option throughout the summer J. I look forward to seeing you at the maritime and social events!

Feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions at all (treasurer@flaglerbeachyachtclub.com).

Thanks everyone!

Lori



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Hoist a Tankard of Grog to This Month's Birthday Pirates

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September Birthdays

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| Joe McSherry | 10-Sep |
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FBYC Ship Store



Well I can't believe summer is almost over! Stop by the Ship Store next month for help selecting the perfect item. We have had a terrific influx of orders for tees and tanks, a very popular hat (SPA 50+) and much more! We have some new items which came in, which include the previously introduced long-sleeved swim shirts, as well as short-sleeved ones, both which are very popular. We have some cute tank tops for the ladies too! And don't forget to hydrate with the 32 oz water bottle that came in, which is awesome, and has the full FBYC logo on it. They are \$35.00 each.

Perfect for a day on the boat to put your favorite beverage in ☐ Please let me know if you are interested,

and we can order one (or more) for you and that special someone. The samples come in Royal Blue, but there are other colors as well. We have had an influx of orders and have another large order coming in the

next month! It's been very busy ☐!!

You can also drop by U Name It with your own items. They have many samples there to help you find the right fit, weight and style. Embroidering your own items generally costs \$12. Joe and Tammie know FBYC and will help you make the best choice for your needs. We had a member stop by there and try on jackets. After deciding on the size (they ran small), she had us order them for her. It's a great way to see what they have. Visit them or view their web-site at:

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If you have questions or would like to place an order at any time, please contact us at:

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