



# FOUR Seasons Yacht Club

## Newsletter



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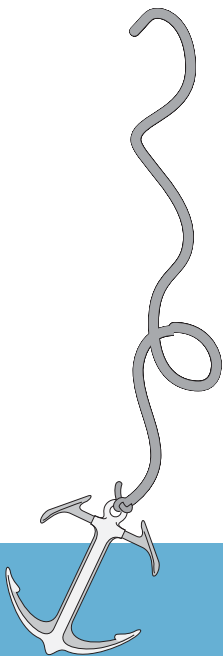
### We Need Your Help!



**T**he club would like to thank Captain Tom Aultz, Membership Committee Chairman along with his wife Linda for the many, many years of dedicated service they have provided to our club. Many of you know that Tom had also served on the Club's Bridge, elected to positions up to and including the rank of Commodore. It is difficult to quantify what Tom & Linda have brought to the Membership Committee, but you can bet it is certainly far more organized than it was prior to their efforts. Captain Tom is looking for someone that would like to transition into taking over the duties of Chairperson of the Membership Committee. Yes, our beloved old Sea Dog, now back to work in the civilian sector, has a bit more on his plate and would love to spend a little more of his free time just boating. Although, you can bet that neither Tom nor Linda will ever be very far from operations of the club. We wouldn't have it any other way! Tom is willing to fulfill his duties for the '09' season but would like to (during the season) get someone up to speed for next year. Chairperson of the Membership Committee is not an elected Bridge position and has no minimum (or maximum) time required to serve. So, if you are interested or would like a little more information regarding the duties, please stop by Tom & Linda's slip (A034 – Serendipity). Or, if you know of someone that you think would fit into the position, please contact a Bridge Officer or Dock Captain.

Just as unfortunate, our current Treasurer, Captain Marianne Mabry will not be seeking another term after the '09' season. Marianne has done outstanding work in her position as Treasurer for the past 2 years, but with her living in Urbana (I think Toledo would be closer) it has been somewhat difficult at times to respond to issues here in town the way she would like. The Office of Treasurer is an elected Bridge position. A Selection Committee will be formed later this summer to post nominations for all of the Bridge positions for the "Change of the Watch" which will be early next year. If you, or a member you know, would be interested in providing service to the club as Treasurer, starting in 2010, please contact a Bridge Officer or Dock Captain.

**VC, Capt. Rich**



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## From Your Commodore



**H**ello fellow boaters;

Weather is getting better, and of course the river will need to co-operate, and as soon as it does, it will be great to be boating again. At this early start of the new boating season, Barb and I are already looking forward to seeing everybody at the marina once again. As we all know, like all the mid-western cities, Cincinnati got hit hard with bad weather this past winter. I hope everyone got through it okay. As most of you know, Barb and I were in the sunny south and we had a great time. I would like to thank everyone that helped take care of things in our absence, especially Vice Commodore Captain Rich Mowery for running the monthly meetings.

If you haven't looked at our new web site yet, please do. Rear Commodore Bob Pattison has done a fantastic job (fourseasonsyachtclub.com). The site is for you, our members; therefore we welcome comments and suggestions, good or bad. Feel free to send them to any of the Bridge or your Dock Captains. We also have hard copies of the schedule and the news letter in the club house if needed. I want to remind everybody, when you see the FSYC sign on the roof lit up, the door is open and you are welcome to hang out and socialize, just keep it clean. Captain Rich Mowery has repaired the walls, painted them, redesigned the burgees and it all looks great. Thanks Rich and Heidie for a great design.

If you haven't heard, the Spaghetti Dinner this past January was a great success. Having it at the Radisson in Covington was a hit. We understand it's not the most convenient location for everybody, but then what is. The dining room overlooked the Ohio River and it made a beautiful setting and of course having rooms to stay overnight made it very convenient and practical. For those of you following our Chris Craft Commander project, I am well under way with having the bilge mostly gutted out and next is the task of cleaning and painting it. As always, thank you all for making the club fun and I wish everyone well, be careful and be safe.

**Commodore, Captain Glenn Feilhauer**

## 2009 FSYC Bridge Officers

<b>Commodore</b> . . . . .	Captain Glenn Feilhauer
<b>Vice Commodore</b> . . . . .	Captain Rich Mowery
<b>Rear Commodore</b> . . . . .	Bob Pattison
<b>Fleet Captain</b> . . . . .	Bob Ware
<b>Past Commodore</b> . . . . .	Jim Messmer
<b>Secretary</b> . . . . .	Mary Alice Koch
<b>Treasurer</b> . . . . .	Captain Marianne Mabry
<b>Quarter Master</b> . . . . .	Brenda Adams

## Dock Captains

<b>A-Dock</b> . . . . .	Tom Adams
<b>B-Dock</b> . . . . .	Jerry Williams, Jim Sutliff & Phil Mayleben
<b>C-Dock</b> . . . . .	Captain Joe Frankenhoff, Captain David Stanford & Captain Tim Koch
<b>D-Dock</b> . . . . .	Captain Mike Scherer, Captain Tom Dalton, Jeff Eiford, Mark Dawes

## Safety Tip

*NAVIGATION RULES, SUBPART II, RULE 15 (b)*  
*Notwithstanding paragraph (a), on the Great Lakes, Western Rivers, or waters specified by the Secretary, a power-driven vessel crossing a river shall keep out of the way of a power-driven vessel ascending or descending the river.*  
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## 2009 FSYC Upcoming Events

**Saturday, April 18, 2:00 pm**  
End of Hibernation Party-Clubhouse

**Saturday, May 2, 4:00pm**  
Kentucky Derby & Hello Party  
FSYC Clubhouse

**Thursday, May 7, 7:30 pm**  
FSYC Meeting-Clubhouse

**Saturday, May 9, Time TBD**  
8 Hour Boating Safety Course  
FSYC Clubhouse

**Saturday, May 16, 10:30 - Noon**  
Mini Course – Rules of the Road  
FSYC Clubhouse

**Saturday, May 30**  
Boat Inspection/Fire Ext. Service

**Thursday, June 4, 7:30 pm**  
FSYC Meeting-Clubhouse

**Saturday June 6, 10:00 am**  
Blessing of the Fleet  
Meet FSYC Clubhouse  
Boat Open House, 1:00 – 5:00

**Saturday, June 13**  
Overnight to Smugglers Cove  
and Bush Races & Beltara  
Mini Course, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon  
Locking-Docking-Spring Lines  
FSYC Clubhouse

**Friday, June 19, 7:00 pm**  
TGIF hosted by D Dock-Clubhouse

**Saturday, June 20, 10:00 am**  
River Sweep - Meet in Clubhouse

**Saturday, June 27, 10:00 am**  
Women in Boating Education

**Saturday, June 27, Early am**  
Paddle Fest on the River at Coney  
Dingy's provide Containment & Refreshments

**Thursday, July 2, 7:30 pm.**  
FSYC meeting-Clubhouse

**Friday, July 3 – 5**  
City Dock Overnight – July 4th

**Saturday, July 11, Noon – 3:00 pm**  
Four Seasons Marina Boater Appreciation Day  
Pirates Cove  
Wine Tasting & Bid-n-Buy  
3:00 pm – 7:00 pm  
FSYC Clubhouse

**Friday, July 17, 7:00 pm**  
TGIF hosted by C Dock-Clubhouse

**Saturday, July 18**  
City Dock Overnight  
Cincinnati Reds-v-Milwaukee Brewers

**Saturday, July 25, 10:30 - Noon**  
Mini Course – Tying the Knot

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## Ship Store Ownership Change

**T**he Ship's Store was recently purchased by Jim and Liz Wilkes of Cincinnati from Steve and Erin Stanfield. The Wilkes's will be bringing their 31' SeaRay to Four Seasons and look forward to joining the Four Seasons boating community when the 2009 season starts. Store hours and offerings will remain the same at this time. The sale also included The Ship's Store at Manhattan Harbour in Dayton, KY. Drop by and introduce yourself to Jim and Liz soon!

## News from the Vice Commodore



**S**pring has sprung and the river is still down. At least at the time this article was written. It's time to get back in the water. We did a little house cleaning in the clubhouse over the winter and are looking forward to opening it up for another season of summer fun. We still have a little more work that the Bridge needs to complete, specifically updating the club bylaws and a few of our guidelines. We sincerely hope that the raising of the club dues will not keep any of our past members from renewing their membership for 2009. Our annual dues are still probably less than what you would pay for one night out to dinner. The schedule of events planned for this season has once again surpassed last year's list. We're also hoping that with the price of gas lower that we can all spend a little more time on the water as well. Our Rear Commodore and Fleet Captain have worked very hard in the off season to get a special rate on over night stays at the City Dock. Along with a few events currently planned for this summer, any member of FSYC can do an overnight on the dock at \$.50 per foot, or half the regular price. Ok, back to waxing. WHEW! See you on the water...

**Vice Commodore Captain Rich Mowery**



## From the Rear Commodore



**S**pring is here! Time to get your boat ready for a great season at the Marina and the Yacht Club. 2009 Events are posted on our website in a number of useful formats. We have pages for Upcoming Events, A one page summary for the entire year, and a month by month calendar, with a detailed description of events including host contact information. Thanks again to all event hosts and volunteers! Upcoming Events include: our 10th Annual End of Hibernation party on Saturday April 18th at the clubhouse, Kentucky Derby & Hello Party on Saturday May 2nd at the clubhouse. Please invite potential members to this event and encourage them to join. 8 Hour-Safe Boating course on Saturday May 9th at the clubhouse. Rules of the Road mini-course Saturday May 16th at the clubhouse. Boat Safety and Fire Extinguisher Inspections on Saturday May 30th. Boat Open House on Saturday June 6th after the Blessing of the Fleet ceremony downtown. D Dock's TGIF Party on Friday June 19th at the clubhouse. River Sweep on Saturday June 20th on the river bank adjacent to the marina. Women in Boating on Saturday June 27th which includes locking thru the Meldahl Dam. WOW...that's a lot! And of course don't forget, Saturday Coffee and Donuts begin on May 16th, 8:00 am – 10:00 am, at the Clubhouse. See You on the Docks!

**Rear Commodore Bob Pattison**

## From the Treasurer



**A** GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone that has renewed their memberships and to new members as well. That has certainly helped the yacht club coffers. We now have been able to pay for a new water heater and water system in the clubhouse and the balance is growing for our wonderful upcoming events for the 2009 season. Hope everyone avails themselves of the events.

**Treasurer, Captain Marianne Mabry**

## News from the Fleet Captain



**T**ime to tune up, tune in, and have some fun. That is our message for 2009. Just look at our schedule and you can easily see we are a party club with a boating habit. This year will prove to be a fantastic line up of on-water events. Starting with sat. May 23, 2009, Reds -v- Indians at the Great American Ballpark. River conditions permitting, we are planning to over night at The City Dock. That weekend is also “Taste of Cincinnati”. Go enjoy different foods and your favorite beverage, and then enjoy a good ole ballgame. Saturday June 6, 2009 will be our annual Blessing of the Fleet. For more information for on water events see the 2009 calendar of events and 2009 Pirate events on our website ([fourseasonsyachtclub.com](http://fourseasonsyachtclub.com)). Well I know most of you will be jealous to hear that April 2, 2009 was my first on water event. The sunny 75 degree day was perfect for a trip downtown and back. A great day to get rid of all your cabin fever and get back to what we all love, the outdoors and boating. However I urge everyone to inspect your vessel for all safety issues before leaving the harbor. A safety boating course will be available on May 9, 2009 and boat inspections will be May 30, 2009. Think safety and have fun. Mark your calendars and join our Yacht Club ASAP.

### Fleet Captain Bob Ware

## Spaghetti Dinner



**T**he 2009 Spaghetti Dinner was held January 24th at the Radisson Hotel in Covington and was attended by over 90 members and friends. Many members took advantage of the half off Cincinnati Boat & Travel Show tickets, free parking and free hotel shuttle to and from the show earlier in the day. The Club reserved the entire 13th floor banquet facility for this “Gourmet Italian Dinner” which included breath taking views of the Cincinnati skyline. Door prizes also added to the fun. A BYOB “After Party-Party” was held and was well attended also. Nearly 50 attendees spent the night at the hotel and enjoyed brunch Sunday morning in the revolving “360” restaurant at the top of the hotel. Next year we will of course be having the Commodores Ball and Change of the Watch, possibly using the larger more elegant banquet room at the Radisson; More on that later in the year.

### Rear Commodore Bob Pattison

## Think About Donations

**O**ur annual Wine Tasting & Bid-N-Buy Auction is coming up July 11th 3-7 PM @ FSYC Clubhouse. This is a great fund raiser for the Club. This year our designated charitable group is the Wounded Warrior Project. This is a live and silent auction. Delicious Hors D’oeuvres will be provided. Members are encouraged to donate items of value to the Club to auction off. Bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share and one to auction. Please ask your favorite restaurant or establishment to donate a gift card for the event. They will be listed as a donor on our website, [fourseasonsyachtclub.com](http://fourseasonsyachtclub.com). If you have any questions or ideas for this event please contact Bob Pattison, Bob Ware, or Tom Adams.

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## Special Thanks



**T**he club would like to thank Captain Ron Getter for the article that he wrote last summer about our club for Heartland

Magazine. The article was extremely well written and included a wonderful picture of our clubhouse. A copy of the article is posted in the clubhouse and in many of the bulletin boards around the marina. Please take a few minutes to read the article. Most of you know Captain Getter spent many years with the club as our Fleet Captain. He along with his wife Captain Cathy-Jo have since retired from bridge duties but remain very much involved with the club in many ways. Ron and Captain Dick Devoe created “True Course” for those aspiring to be USCG Captain’s. Cathy-Jo along with Marsha Herzog also started our “Women in Boating” class which is now an annual event helping members with a broad spectrum of boating knowledge and skills. This years Women in Boating will be held in the clubhouse, Saturday, June 27th, 10:00 am following coffee & doughnuts. Signup sheets will be available in the clubhouse early in May.

## The Bridge

### Newly Appointed Captains



**A** report from ‘True Course’; I am pleased to report the following Harbor or Club Members have passed the test for Operator of Uninspected

Passenger Vessels (OUPV) USCG Captains License.

- Captain Bill Baehr (C Dock)
- Captain Jim Wilkes (B Dock/Ships Store Owner)
- Captain Nora Buckney (C Dock)
- Captain Joey Selme (C Dock)
- Captain Jeff Starver (C Dock)
- Captain Betsy Awadalla (new member)

Congratulations to our newest Captains! There were 14 students in this year’s class. That makes 144 Captains commissioned within the Cincinnati basin.

## March Madness



**F**or those of you who wanted a little preview of what the season has in store, the March Madness party was a little piece of the pie! Thanks Captain Bill & Jo Baehr for hosting this first ever event. It really was a fun time. Everyone who joined in on the fun brought



great appetizers. For those who missed the event we had a little of everything...shrimp, subs, chicken wings, and of course plenty of beer & wine. Bill & Jo had the place looking like spring. And even though the network changed the time of the first game to later in the afternoon, don’t you know, in FSYC spirit and fashion, we were still able to keep ourselves entertained. Once the games started, the TV’s were tuned in and it was “Game On”. The cold weather didn’t seem to bother anyone either! Our commodore was the winner of the hoop throwing game. (gee do ya think they let him win?) The women seemed to have a better throwing record and gave the men a real run for the hoops. Adding new and different events to the schedule is what the club is all about. This was a suggested add on to the schedule and it seemed like a great time was had by all. Keep those suggestions coming about new events and you might even see it on the schedule for next year!

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## From the Galley



### Margarita Shrimp Cocktail

- 5 tablespoons olive oil
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- ½ cup minced green onion
- 2 large garlic cloves
- ¼ cup tequila
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 1 teaspoon Margarita salt
- 2 small limes, cut into wedges
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice

**At Home Preparation:** Peel and de-vein shrimp and place in a container. Mince the green onion, including some of the green tops and place in container with shrimp. Mince the garlic and add to container with shrimp and green onion.

**On Board Preparation:** Cut limes into wedges (for garnish) and set aside. Heat the olive oil in a skillet over medium-high heat. Add the container of shrimp, green onion and garlic, cooking 1 minute stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add the tequila. Return to heat. Bring to boil, scraping up any browned bits in the pan. Remove from heat. Toss with 2 tbs fresh lime juice and Margarita salt. If serving cold, refrigerate about 1 hour or until chilled. For garnish, dip the rims of six Margarita glasses or serving bowls in the additional lime juice then into Margarita salt (if desired). Divide the shrimp mixture evenly among the glasses and garnish with a lime wedge.

Serves:6

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## A-Dock News

**S**pring is here and all begins to turn green, very nice if I do say so myself. Winter went well for the Adams Family. Brenda and I went on a cruise last month to The Panama Canal. We had a great time. The canal is amazing; however I was amazed how small the locks themselves actually are. They even use rowboats to pass lines from ship to shore. Spoke with Mark at the harbor the other day. He thought most of “A” dock was returning this year. Hopefully fuel will not be as bad as last year. I noticed last weekend while walking the dock, that some of our neighbors do a poor clean-up of their slips. I will be asking for all to help get “A” dock cleaner. There is some garbage on the decking itself. Fishing bait, old rugs, chairs etc. all of which need to be thrown out. It is not the management of FSM that will clean up after us. Please inform me if you see anything that needs attention. I am still looking for an assistant dock captain. Surely someone can spare a little time. Remember to go to the website for other information and this year’s schedule of events. Saturday March 28th was a March Madness party. All had a good time. Next event will be on April 18th for the End of Hibernation Party. I may be in the water by then. That’s all for now, good luck with your spring commissioning.

**Tom Adams, “A” Dock Captain**



## B-Dock News

**T**here is no news at B dock. Most of the boats are gone, they were either pulled from the water or they sunk after being overloaded with goose poop. I have read that due to the poor economy there has been a significant up tick in the number of boats that are being abandoned. This has led to many issues along the coast with pollution and navigation hazards. If you or any of your boating friends are considering abandoning boats let this dock captain know before you pull the plug. Maybe we can work out a swap and instead abandon mine. This winter rather than drive my wife crazy (which is really fun) we decided to take a cruise. We badgered other B dockers to come along. After several weeks we wore down Gary and Lois Bolte (inSPAration). They agreed to come along if I moved my boat at least 10 slips away from theirs before summer. Our crew of four had a great time aboard the big cruise ship. On the first day there were over 1000 kids on board due to the spring break. They were a nuisance in the dining room climbing on chairs and screaming while the piano player was trying to entertain us with Mozart. Being adults properly trained in basic hygiene we successfully avoided the Norovirus that invaded the gut of many less experienced cruisers. As the week wore on we noticed pink hazardous material bags piling up in the hallways of the ship as well as quarantine stickers and duct tape on many cabin doors. We also noticed that the dining room got noticeably quieter; even the food tasted better. We all returned safely with a fresh dose of sunburn and a big credit card bill. Boaters need water all year. Hopefully next year the global warming thing will kick in, the polar ice caps will melt, Kentucky will become a coastal state, and we won't have to waste \$3000 on another winter boat ride.

**Phil Mayleben, B Dock Captain**

## C-Dock News

**P**lease Welcome New C Dockers: Michael Gould @ C-83 in a 34' Sea Ray, Danny McKee @ C-19 in a 40' Sea Ray, a "Baseball Player to be named later" @ C-28 in a 48' Sea Ray, and Loretta Riley C-20 relocating her 50' Harbor Master from D Dock. Spring is here and it's time to clean up the boats and let the fun begin! C Dock rocks as always. Hope all had a good winter and are ready for the 2009 boating season. This should be a great year with dozens of dock parties, brunches, pot lucks and cruises. C Dock's TGIF Party is scheduled for July 17th at the Clubhouse. We received a report that a number of C Dock mates took vocal lessons over the winter. The net result should be an improvement in our Karaoke performances on weekend evenings. Also, fishing could become an Olympic Sport soon. Several C Dock 1st mates have invested in high tech and very colorful gear in an attempt to make the team. Thanks to Captain Geoff Hatfield for agreeing to instruct 3 Mini-Courses to be held on Saturday's after donuts. Speaking of which, Weekly Saturday donuts begin May 16th from 8-10 AM at the Clubhouse. **PIRATE ALERT!** In these troubled economic times, C Dockers are cautioned to be on alert for Pirates. Yes Pirates are not just found off the coast of Africa. For years, B Dock has been a safe haven for them. But now they have taken a foothold on C Dock. Yes, Fleet Captain Bob Ware has relocated to C-36 leaving B Dock after many years. Bob heads up a "Pirate Group" who have planned many short range off shore events such as cruises to Riverbend Concerts and Ludlow Bromley Steak Nights. In addition, Pirate Jerry Williams & Catherine Woods are also moving their 29" Sea Ray from B Dock to C-41. Lastly, thanks to the Marina staff for replacing many of the dock planks this Spring. With Pirates about, this brings a whole new meaning to "Walking the Plank" Please check out the Club's 2009 Event Schedule at [www.fourseasons yachtclub.com](http://www.fourseasons yachtclub.com) See you on the Dock.

**Bob Pattison**

## D-Dock News

**T**here will be some new faces on D dock this season. We would like to welcome the latest additions to the marina and our dock; Brian Porter (D05), Al Schleper (D48), Pat Boyle (D66), Kent Stephens (D68), Craig Zobrist (D75). Let's make our new neighbors feel welcome, teach them the secret handshake, and make sure that we invite them to join the Yacht club.

### SAFE BOATING TIPS FROM D DOCK

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**Captain Mike Scherer, D Dock Captain**

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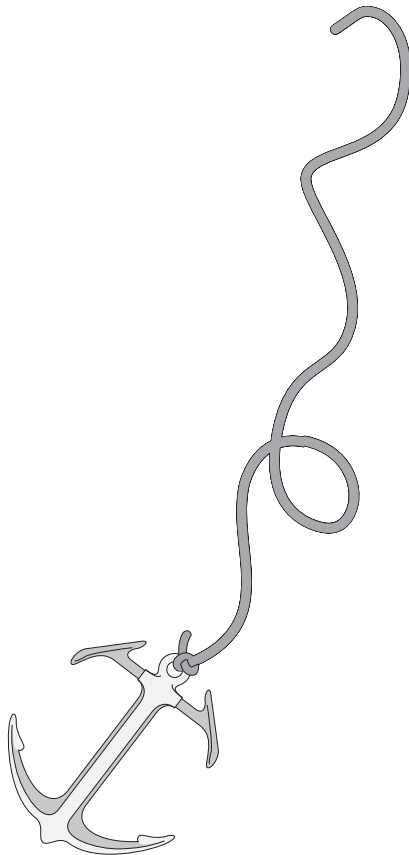
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