

FOUR Seasons Yacht Club

Newsletter

FSYC

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Labor Day - WEBN Fireworks



Another Season Come & Gone

Ya know, one of the best reasons for getting on the water at 8:00 am and being a part of the “front row” is that you never have to worry about boats breaking anchor and drifting down on you. Well, so much for that theory. After settling in on the line around 9:00 am with (at the time) five other vessels, we spent the next hour or so helping the remaining boats complete the front row just in time to relax a bit and start in on the snacks and even a little breakfast being served from boats like Giddyup and Scott Free. It was a perfect day on the water. That is until Mother Nature decided we were all far too comfortable and blew a little wind up river. For those of you who were not there, by a little, I mean a little more than the speed of the down bound current. At first we thought we had broken loose and were drifting back into the boats behind us. But, after a quick check of our anchor lines we noticed that most of our boats were actually riding over top of our anchors. It didn't take long to realize that we were not moving back, all of the boats behind us were moving up! Good thing that of the 9 boats that we were tied up with; there were at least 7 Licensed Captains on board. Not a thing we could do but grab a pole and fend off the pirates. What a helpless feeling. After about an hour of this, things did settle down and no one was injured nor boat scratched, at least not from our group. There might be something to anchoring on the up river side as many other boats from our club did. The evening turned out beautiful and the fireworks grand. Drinks were cold and food aplenty. Even the trip back to the marina around 11:00 pm was uneventful and very safely executed. Thanks to all who participated and shared. It was a great time.

Capt. Rich Mowery, VC

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From Your Commodore



Hello again fellow boaters;
After a near perfect September, fall is in the air and wow where did the summer go.

It is hard to believe we are starting to winterize our boats.

Our yacht club sure has had a lot of activities this past year, and I hope you were able to attend some of them. If you were actually able to attend all of them, you did great. Barb and I tried to attend all of them, but ended up missing a couple and of course they were all great. All the hosts and their helpers did a great job.

The Bridge has also done a great job keeping the standards of the club that were set forth by our predecessors. As Commodore and soon to be Past Commodore, I really appreciate it, thank you. Of course, a big thanks to all our members. I don't think anyone can say we don't have fun in this club, I know Barb and I are having fun.

Speaking of fun, the October 17th weekend was a huge success and great fun. I trust those of you that could attend had fun as well. We had a Car Show, Chile Cook Off and Bon Fire, and at the bon fire we had a very touching Flag Burning Ceremony by Captain Ron Getter. We also showed some members how to ignite (expired, but still functional) alert/locator flares. I'm sorry to say, for more news on the weekend; you will need to wait for the next newsletter. This newsletter is at the printer as I write this piece. Captain Marsha Herzog and Heidie Mowery also had a table set up for information about the Commodore Ball tickets and the sale of our new FSYC tumblers, which you get one when you purchase a Ball ticket.

The Ball is going to be a grand time, so Barb and I hope you can attend? This will be the club's third one. We only have the ball every two years when your officers change, which is called the Changing of the Watch. There will be a ceremony for the changing after dinner, and after that, the dance floor clears off and the dancing shoes come out. This event is getting better with age like all our events, so don't miss it.

It is a formal event, but it's also a great event to dress up for, especially the ladies. The Bridge Officers will be wearing white coats with black pants and you might spot a few other black tuxes around, but coat and tie are perfect.

It has been a good season and it's looking like a pretty wonderful fall too.

Well, it is official, our Silverton is for sale. I am working steady 3 to 4 day days a week on our project Chris Craft and the plan is to have it in the water next year.

Again, I want to thank everyone making the club the great club that it is.

I wish everyone well, be careful and be safe.

Commodore Captain Glenn Feilhauer

2009 FSYC Bridge Officers

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

Dock Captains

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

Safety Tip

The U.S. Coast Guard just released their boating accident statistics report for 2008. The bad news is that boating accident fatalities increased in 2008. During 2008, the Coast Guard registered 709 boating accident deaths and 3,331 injuries. The boating accident fatality rate increased from 5.3 to 5.6 deaths per every 100,000 registered recreational boats. Boating under the influence contributed to 17% of the fatalities.

The leading causes of boating accidents are:

- operator inattention
- careless or reckless operation
- no proper lookout
- operator inexperience
- passenger or skier behavior.

The Coast Guard says "that boating education programs are shown to lower accident deaths. In 90% of boating accident deaths, the boat operator had not received boating education. In two thirds of all boating accident deaths, the victim drowned and 90% of those were not wearing a life jacket".

Enough said! True Course Captain's classes start February 20, 2010. Education makes you a better and safer boater. Please think about joining us.

2009 FSYC Upcoming Events

Saturday, October 17, 3:00 pm

Car Show – At the Point
Chili Cookoff & Bonfire, 4:00
At the Point

Saturday, October 24, 7:00 pm

Halloween Costume Party
FSYC Clubhouse

Hope to meet at the Sand Bar over the winter
We'll let you know via email.

That's it for 2009!
See ya all next summer

**Don't Forget: Club Meetings are the
1st Thursday of the Month
in the Clubhouse on B-Dock.
All Members Welcome**

FSYC Giving Back



The FSYC 2009 Bid-N-Buy Charity Auction Beneficiary was the Wounded Warrior Project (WWP). Our Club raised a record \$2465 to benefit service men and woman who return from overseas wars with serious injuries. The donation total included a portion of the Bid-N-Buy proceeds, direct donations by FSYC Members to the WWP, Auction Items provided by the WWP & 100% of the Split-The-Pot funds thanks to generous Member Jon Jonson on D Dock. In the above Photo, WWP Local President David Langenheim and his wife Jennifer accept the ceremonial check from Commodore Glenn Feilhauer, Rear Commodore Bob Pattison, and Vice Commodore Rich Mowery at a recent FSYC event. Fantastic job by event Chairs Fleet Captain Bob Ware, Dock Captain Tom Adams & Rear Commodore Bob Pattison.

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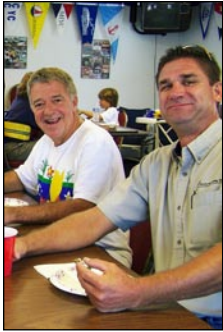
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Special Thanks



The club would like to send a special thank you to Tom Woeste (B-95, Dream On). As many of you know, the River Sweep originally scheduled for June 20th was cancelled due to high water. This event is sponsored by OR-SANCO (Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission) who are responsible for supplying t-shirts, gloves, trash bags, and a dumpster to all citywide hosting locations. The shirts had been received in July. After contact with ORSANCO by the event host, Tim & Mary Alice Koch, to reschedule the event and dumpster delivery, we were informed that the event (city wide) was cancelled. At the clubs August meeting, Tom stepped up big time and offered to provide a large dumpster from Rumpke, through his business. That was the missing link. Along with cooperation from Denny & Mark, the dumpster was delivered to the proper location and the club was able to move ahead with the cleanup of the shoreline in front of our marina. As far as we know, FSYC is the only venue in town that participated in this years River Sweep, and Tom is mostly responsible for that. Thanks Tom!

The Bridge

From the Treasurer



Hello all! Well, this is a sad article to write since it is nearing end of the season. The good news is that financially the club is doing very well thanks to all of your paid memberships and contributions through the Bid N Buy, Split the Pots, etc.

I was fortunate enough to get new dock neighbors this summer. Rob, Kris and Tyler Sander joined us on B Dock, giving up the launch and load system at Rivertowne. Gerry and Robin Chambers and Jon and Karla Chambers took advantage of a Sea Ray in water show and purchased a Cruisers yacht which is in B11. Robin promptly became a member of the Four Seasons swim team. We have had great events this summer and mostly good weather to participate in them. Hope everyone took advantage of their membership in those events. We really have a lot of activities available for the money. Enjoy the fall. Go on some leaf cruises.

Treasurer, Captain Marianne Mabry

From the Fleet Captain



Its Friday. Today is a good day. There is nothing better, nothing at all better than messing about with boats. I am packing my bag, food, beer, checking the fluids in the engine room, also checking the river forecast so I can leave this harbor and live like a sailor (or pirate) for the next two days.

My point is.... JUST DO IT!!

Experience the challenge, the scenery, the sunsets and sunrise. Peace we all need to find. For me, I return rested and charged up for the coming week of work waiting for "Friday". The second half of our boating season is about to end. Since our last newsletter there have been eight on water events. How many did you attend? The FSYC members scheduled these events last December. For all who attended any or all the events I hope you had as much enjoyment as I did. The planning for next season will be starting soon and as your Fleet Captain I need your help with any new ideas. We want the on water events to be that big reason why you bought a boat, yacht or dinghy. 2009 was a very good boating season, but lets make 2010 even better. Send any ideas to me at rware@rkcconcrete.com. Don't forget our club motto "We Have Fun". So, send me some stories or your adventures "On The Water"

Bob Ware, Fleet Captain

From the Quartermaster



Did we have a great time this summer or what? I want to thank all of the party hosts as well as the volunteers who made our events bigger and better.

Everybody seems to pitch in and it really does help with keeping our clubhouse shipshape for the next event. Please remember to take all dirty towels home and throw them in the wash. We keep a lot of towels on hand so if they don't make it back to the clubhouse for a week or two, its no big deal. If anyone would like to see the clubhouse stocked with other soft drinks, wine or if there is anything that you think we need to stock that we haven't had in the past just drop me a note and we will try to get it. Thanks again,

Brenda Adams, Clubhouse Quartermaster

From the Vice Commodore



I would like to personally thank everyone for making so much of this season out of some of the worst weather and river conditions that we have seen in a number of years. I think maybe we were a bit spoiled; back to reality. At least by the time this issue comes out, many of us will still be on the water enjoying those beautiful fall days, unlike our neighbors to the north who have already seen their boats tucked in for the winter under the blanket of shrink wrap. Ugh! It was also nice to see so many new faces this year at club events. There was certainly some concern with members not rejoining this year. As it turned out, a good number of boaters who had not previously been members, or who were new to the marina, did the math and decided that for the value, they would never get more bang for their buck and at the same time meet some pretty wonderful people. Welcome all of you. We can't wait to get started in on the planning for next year.

Vice Commodore Captain Rich Mowery

River Sweep 2009



The annual River Sweep, sponsored by ORSANCO, was postponed this year due to high water. Originally scheduled for June 20, we took to the water on Four Season's work barge on September 12th. We had a great turnout as always and scoured the riverbank from our harbor entrance inlet upriver to the mouth of the Little Miami River. The good news is that each year we find less and less of the "big stuff" (refrigerators, tires, TV's etc), so our work and the educational work of ORSANCO might be paying off. We still find huge amounts of plastic, not much aluminum, but aluminum doesn't float. We also did a quick clean up of the area around Sea Ray's boat ramp. We filled half a dumpster, donated by Tom Woeste (Dream On, B-095), and then washed up and had a great lunch of an abundance of leftovers from B-Dock's TGIF, held the night before.

Captain Tim Koch, C-Dock Captain

From the Rear Commodore



Hello from your Rear Commodore! This has been a great summer. I hope all enjoyed the moderate temperatures and had fun on their boats. The river really cooperated. Dock Parties were well attended and featured great themes. A Dock hosted a "MASH PARTY" which was very well done and B Dock hosted a really cool "WOODSTOCK PARTY" which was truly far out..... Docks mates, please start thinking about next year's themes early to keep the fun flowing! A big thanks to Captain Geoff Hatfield for hosting our Mini-course series. They were very informative. The member car show, chili cook-off and bonfire on October 17th and the Halloween Party on October 24th close out this year's on land events. Please mark your calendars for the Commodores Ball/Change of Watch which will be held at the Radisson Hotel on Saturday January 23rd. We have reserved a block of rooms at a deeply discounted rate of \$89 per night. This black tie optional event will feature a great buffet and live band. This is the last Saturday of the Cincinnati Boat Show. We will hopefully have half off show tickets available for members again this year. Get a group together for a winter get away weekend. Check into the hotel with free parking, ride the free shuttle to and from the convention center to pick out your next boat, return and go to the Ball and after Ball Party, say good night and see you Sunday morning for Brunch in the revolving restaurant at the top of the Radisson. As always. I remain, bringing up the rear. See you on the Docks!

Bob Pattison, Rear Commodore

Doctoberfest at the City Dock

We moved this event to the Hooters/Beer Sellars dock from the City Dock which was in repairs. No electric, but very good docks and much easier access to Cincinnati & Newport. Five boats attended. A little rainy, but a beautiful Saturday evening. Some went over to Cincy's 'Oktoberfest' via water taxi and some went to Newport restaurants; just 1 or 2 blocks walk and, Hooters/Beer Sellars right there. The fishing contest extended back to our marina Sunday, where Bob Ware slayed the cats and Bill Baehr caught a huge turtle. We have fun, regardless of the weather.

Captain Bill Baehr

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City Dock Overnight



Our second event at The City Dock was an overnight with the entertainment of our very own Red Legs. Approximately thirteen of us went to the game while the others stayed at the dock or visited the streets of Cincinnati for the annual "Taste of Cincinnati". Once again we had plenty to do and had a great time "Doing It". Our City Dock is a great resource for boaters. I hope the dock gets repaired (shortly after this weekend the river flooded and damaged the dock severely). All boaters that used this dock should call BB Riverboats and thank them for all that they do in keeping the docks safe and secure.

Bob Ware, Fleet Captain

New Members

Please join us in welcoming our newest Members for 2009

MEMBER NAME	SLIP	BOAT NAME
David & Heather Adkins	A-073	Sea Esta
Richard Archambault & Barbara Purdy	A-089	
Captain Betsy Awadalla	A-058	
Brett & Charmaine Bonner	B-108, B-110	My River View
Patrick & Marcia Boyle	D-068	Boyle-N-Water IV
Eric Burdick & Karen Lampe	C-045	NO WORRIES
Gerry & Robin Chambers	B-011	Brothers
Jon & Carla Chambers	B-011	Brothers
Tony & Merideth Cloug	B-006	Seas the Moment
David & Linda Dickirson	C-068	Pier Pressure
Brent Dicks		Brent's Boat Detailing
Patricia Fraley & Stephen Einson	A-023	Bold Venture
James Geier & Gregory Smith	Boat House	Vital Spark
Mike & Alice Gould	C-083	
Jeff & Pam Gross	B-132, B-134	Sea Heir
Ed & Jeanie Grove	A-082	Mutual Fun
Jay Hand & Ally Malloy	D-050	Freightdog
June Harrison	C-036	Fast Buck V
Al Heim & Karen Veirs	A-064	
Captain Nick Henry & Cecile Waterman		Sawmill Marine NONRIEN
Kirk & LeAnn Himmelberg	A-018	Wine Down
John Jr. & Cheryl Houck	B-017	Ultimate Therapy
Rick & Kathy Huber	A-038	
Jane Huller & Praddy Mangat		Sugar Hollow Marina, Norris Lake
Andrew & Cheri Hyde	D-087	Hyde n Sea
Captain Tim & Katie Kleihege		New Buffalo, MI Matika
Jerome & John Maryo	A-012	
Scott & Vicci Mowery		Bay Point Marina, MarbleHead Obsession
Dave & Diane Petry		
Brian K. Porter	D-005	Carpe Diem
Rob & Kris Sander	Rivertowne	Sea Sun Ticket II
Mary Scheve-Yohe & Ben Yohe		Detailing
Frank "Al" Schleper	D-048	Gulfin Around
Captain Bruce Shawver & Diane MacConnell	C-034	Nauta Priority
Parker Shelton	C-073	
Ronald & Darla Silverman	C-062	Darla J
Kent & Denise Stephens	D-107	Last One Again
Mike Walvoord & Gloria Roberts	D-054	
David & Kelly Wickline	C-003, C-004	Wicked Pleasure
Captain James & Elizabeth Wilkes	B-042	Wilkescraft IV
Derrick Wilson & Renee Carruthers	A-060	Madeira
Tom & Linda Woeste	B-095	Dream On

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Great River Adventure/ Poker Run 2009



We had another successful Great River Adventure/ Poker Run on August 1st. The river was up to 34 feet and debris was flowing down river, but we had quite a few boats go out and brave the rivers fast flowing waters. We heard some people went to the sandbar to try and answer all the questions. Also some of the people went to Pirates Cove to answer questions and use some of their life lines. (friends, computers and cell phones) The answers are posted on the Yacht Club's web site. There were 75 poker

hands passed out. Eight envelopes had door prize cards included with the poker hand cards, which were turned in for gift certificates to 8 different restaurants around town which were left over from the Bid-N-Buy. We had eight people with perfect scores which earned them additional cards.

The results were: 1st place – Bill George - \$600.00

2nd place – Al Brown - \$200.00

Lowest Hand-Mona George \$100.00

It was a good day for the George's. In fact, they have volunteered to host the Great River Adventure next year. Bob Ware catered the fried chicken and fixings. Everything was delicious and no one went home hungry. Thanks to Bob and June. Also I'd like to thank all our helpers: Captain Marianne and Steve Mabry, Heidie and Captain Rich Mowery, and Bob and Sherill Pattison.

Thank you all for participating.

Barb Feilhauer

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New Richmond Anchor Out & Regatta



This year, we moved our summer 8-mile raft up to New Richmond and enjoyed the Cardboard Regatta. 15 boats attended. Good weather, friends, fish and kites --- all topped off with Mike Hoffer's win as 'People's Choice' with his Towboat/Barge. If you missed it, plan to attend next year --- it was great fun!

Captain Bill Baehr

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Smith's Campground Anchor Out



The Smith Overnight was held on August 15th. This was third year for the event and we had the best turn out yet! The hot, muggy weather didn't seem to deter the approximately 40+ people that showed up for a fun filled weekend. We had eight boats anchored out, which included the Nancy Carol, Giddy Up, Maxed Out, Serendipity, Dream On, Rxcitement, and Ultimate Therapy. Congrats to the two women captains, Marianne Mabry & Marsha Herzog, that once again mastered locking through at Mel Dahl Dam. Their experience with the Women in Boating event earlier this year proved to be successful. There were two FSYC members that came by RV, Don & Betty ShROUT and Glenn Feilhauer. The crowd also included several members that came by land, even though they had to clear the DUI checkpoint along the route! We were provided with a special guest appearance from Bill & Jo Baehr's relatives from Austria, who gave us a special musical concert Saturday evening. By coincidence, the owners of the campground had relatives visiting from Austria as well! What a small world it can be. The food was very good and we had more than enough to eat. A special thanks to Matt Smith & Glenn Feilhauer for standing over the hot grills to get us all fed. We enjoyed a good corn hole tournament and left, right, center game. The evening ended with roasting marshmallows over the fire. Sunday morning we had a nice breakfast buffet, with the exception of some burnt biscuits and a hung over cook! Betty ShROUT even treated us to more of her famous coffee cakes. Next year, hopefully I will have learned how to use my oven and realize I need to go to bed before 4:00am! Thanks to all who attend, we had a great time!



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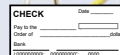
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Lighthouse Point Overnight



On Friday the 25th of September, the weather man was predicting some dire weather for our group, but the light sprinkle of rain couldn't compare to the steady stream of boats that pulled out of Four Seasons Marina for the Lighthouse Point Weekend of September 25th -27th. It was a Collection of Lighthouse veterans plus a complement of new recruits. Jim and Liz Wilkes (Wilkescraft IV) and Tom and Linda Woeste and family (Dream On) took their new boats for their first trip downriver past the Bridges!! The Gramkes (Get Aweigh), the Hoffers (Carmen Ohio) joined Yacht Club members the Pushs (BirdandI), Ken Marcotte and Barb Kroell (Borderline Fool) and Ken's brother Gary (the former United Nations Ambassador to Arkansas) who have transplanted to Lighthouse as residents. These guys may have moved away from Four Seasons but they obviously have not forgotten how to party. Commodore Glenn and Barb set the top speed record for the trip down on "I Got You Babe". Pat and Linda Campbell (Misty Seas) set the record for the slowest time....they were clocked on radar at less than four miles per hour—way to save fuel Pat! Speaking of fuel, Jim and Marsha Messmer (Relaxin Not Taxin) set the record on the trip for the least amount of fuel consumed. Jim, always the bean counter had it figured.....almost perfectly until something called physics set in. Fortunately for them, a small convoy of beavers spotted them adrift at the mouth of Lighthouse Point Marina. They broke formation, stuck their little teeth



into the transom of Jim's disabled boat and pushed them to the gas dock. One of the beavers read the sign on the gas dock, noticed that they were closed and decided to take them to the slip until the gas dock opened up on Saturday. Word has it that the teeth marks are still visible. Friday night was spent at the Gazebo under the moonlight for a terrific pot luck dinner, prepared on the club grill which Bob Ware was kind enough to transport to the site. On Saturday noon Bob Ware demonstrated his "grill skills" for a mini "Octoberfest" lunch courtesy of the Yacht club. Thanks Bob.



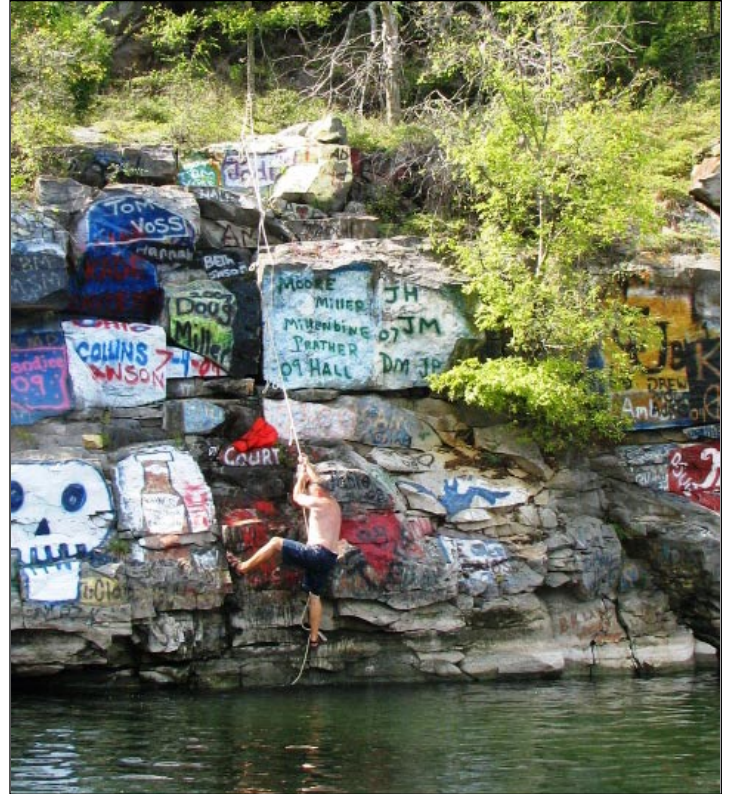
Bill Baehr of Bill & Jo (Dancing Baehr) did some rather serious fishing over the weekend. Bill had an altercation with a mysterious sea monster that apparently broke off one of Bill's best rods with a pair of vise grips. Bill later took the rod now known as "Stubby" to Bob Ware's slip at Four Seasons and managed to catch a real live turtle. This was no teenage ninja but it certainly was "mutant". Nice sweater Bill. Don and Betty ShROUT (Drifter) took their super duper land yacht for the festivities. They opened their doors and even provided a "portable campfire" for the evenings. On Saturday evening, (under bright sunlight) the entire crew boarded the "Stardust" (Tom & Marty Dalton) for a trip to the Aurora Landing. While underway, Mark and Nancy Dawes took orders for dinner so that we could sit down to hot gourmet pizza upon our arrival at the restaurant. The folks at the restaurant couldn't have been more hospitable. As the evening went by, the weather once again turned a tad threatening. So, the crew quickly boarded the Stardust for a return trip to the Marina where things like campfires, movies and adult beverages were waiting. Sunday brunch was a great success. On the sunny trip back we all covered our heads as we passed Paul Brown Stadium during the Steelers game. This has proven to be a great trip each year. Many thanks to all who chipped in for a fun filled weekend.

Tom & Marty Dalton

Weekend at Green Turtle Bay



Six couples, three from B-dock, the Getters, the Herzog's and the Sutliff's, one couple from D-dock, the Mosher's and one couple from A-dock, Mike Jackson and Cassie, and the Nixon's formerly of A-dock decided to take a road trip to Green Turtle Bay at Lake Barkley. Between the six couples we had two 13-ft Whalers and a 15-ft, center console Whaler. As planned we left Thursday morning, September 24th; arriving at the rented condo's late in the afternoon. The accommodations were wonderful and we spent the first afternoon exploring Green Turtle Bay and talking to the residents, shopping in the Ship's Store, launching the whalers and generally getting a 'feel' for the place. After an exciting day of exploring, we had a wonderful meal at the GTB Commodore's Club. On Friday mid-morning, we took off to explore Lake Barkley. If you have not visited, it is a beautiful lake with a channel that allows boaters as well as barges to move between the two lakes. It also provides access from the Ohio River, thru Lake Barkley to the Cumberland River to Nashville. Friday evening we had a great meal at the world famous Patty's Restaurant for their mouth watering 2" thick pork chops and a slice of "mile high" pie. Yummy!! Saturday mid-morning, we went thru the channel to explore Kentucky Lake. Did you notice we always leave mid-morning. That's because



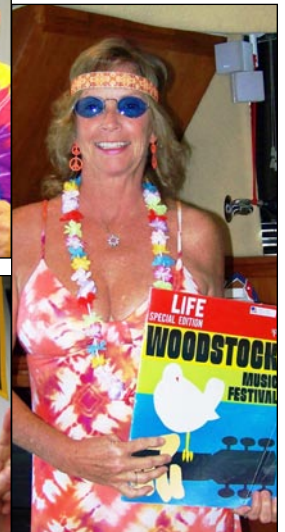
"blender boy" Kim Nixon served up a great concoction of alcohol the night before. To say we were over served is an understatement. Found a cove that use to be a stone quarry. Walls had graffiti aptly painted and of course a rope ladder for climbing which one of our adventurous "captains" decided to leap from, not once but twice. All hail "captain" Kevin our rock climbing "jumper". On our return trip back to GTB, it got a little dicey to say the least. Storm clouds were rolling in from the north, Kevin's whaler was having engine problems and had to be towed by the Herzog's and we almost sank two unsinkable whalers coming out of the channel entering Lake Barclay when we encountered a tsunami created by a 50 footer racing up the lake to return to the harbor. Ask Jim Sutliff when you see him about his bailing bucket! But all ended well. Made it back to GTB safe and sound thanks to the efforts of Captain Mike Jackson. After another night of celebrating with "blender boy" and leaving around (mid-morning) we all said our good byes and arrived home with fond memories and dreaming of places to explore with next year's annual "dinghy dip". Land between the Lakes is a beautiful area, and I would highly recommend it to anyone looking for adventure!

Jim Sutliff, B-Dock Captain

B-Dock TGIF - Woodstock

During a recent visit to the Four Seasons Yacht Club web page I discovered that on September 11, 2009 a gathering took place at the clubhouse. Historic records indicate the event was well attended. The guests I have contacted have been unable to recall the event but their presence is clearly indicated in the pictures. It appears that everyone had a good time. There was no indication of traffic problems, mud slides, nudity or illegal drug use as far as I can tell, but crowd control was a bit of a problem. Unlike the original event our group of middle aged hippie wannabees enjoyed dinner prepared by the folks at Kellogg Country House Restaurant while being subjected to authentic music from the original festival provided by Jim England. Many thanks to all the B-docker's that pitched in with food, decorations, and prizes.

Phil Mayleben, Dock Captain



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A-Dock News



Labor Day, Fireworks and the summer boating season have all come to an end. Fall brings leaves, cooler temps and the preparations of our beloved crafts for winterizations. Hope all you have your winter plans into effect. Remember the summer moorage season ends on December 1st. Brenda and I want to Thank Everybody for all of the help and support that you as "A" Dockers gave us all through the summer.

Our "M.A.S.H." party was a big success and we had a large turnout. Thanks to Al Heim and Karen Veirs for the theme of the party, along with scrubs. Matt & Laurie Smith, Rob Turc-

zany & Lynne Lewis, Linda Aultz, Gayle Gall for helping with the decorations. Jason Reiter, Tracey Rees for corn shucking. Bill Becker, Doc. Robertson, Mark Horner and Rob Turczany the grill masters of the evening. Karen Kramer, Laura DeVries, Lynne Lewis for serving the chow. Judy Robertson for selling the fifty/fifty tickets. So many from "A" dock stepped up to help with the party, if I forgot to mention anyone it's because I drank a martini or two and cannot remember all who helped. Thanks to all who helped with the Saturday breakfast this season as well. Summer this year was a bit strange, cool temperatures all summer followed by high water in July, rainy weekends in August. Hopefully next year will be a bit better. Even with strange weather Brenda and I had a great summer this year. All of "A" dock is becoming a large boating family. So how about one of my brothers or sisters help me a little bit and become a "A" Dock assistant captain. I will personally hang a flag on your electric post. September 25th and 26th Greg Ruther (owner-operator) gave the yacht club 100 invitations to the Sandbar's Grand Opening. I went up on Friday night and had a great time. We had quite a nice turnout from all of the yacht club members. Saturday was rainy but I understand that Bill the watchman passed out the remaining invitations. If you haven't been up yet to see the remodeled Sandbar, you need to see it. Greg has done a nice job and is looking for our support all through the winter. That's all for now.

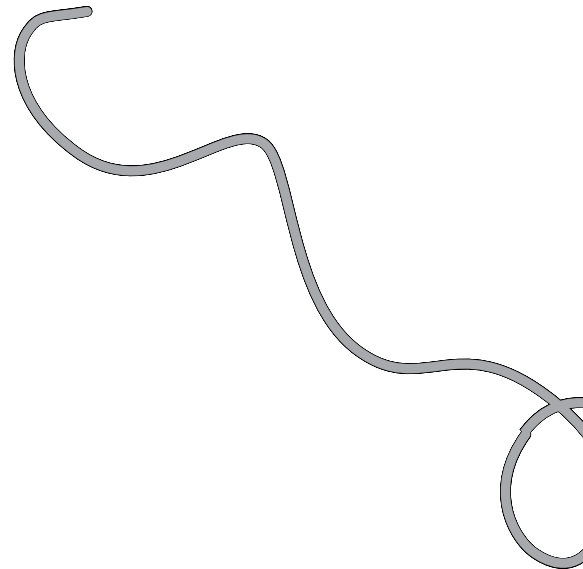
Tom Adams, A-Dock Captain, Natural Disaster (A-83)

B-Dock News

It's hard to believe that summer of just about over. Did everyone have fun? I know we did. Didn't get to participate in as many events as last year due to family obligations but the Bridge, once again, did a great job with all the event planning.

B-Dock continued to rock all summer with impromptu parties on the dock each weekend. Looking forward to the upcoming last few events, i.e. car show, chili cook-off, and bonfire. Hope to see you all there. Now it's time to be thinking of oh no must I say it "winterizing" our boats. But a certain B-Docker, rumor has it, is thinking of a new boat. Gary Bolte, B-068. B-070, Inspiration, is waiting for arrival of his new yacht with its own heliport, indoor swimming pool, and a personal submarine. No wonder he needs a double slip. Tom and Linda Woeste, B-095, Dream On, found out why it is not prudent to hit a channel marker at night going 30 knots down river, ouch! That hurts, did it leave a mark? Congrats to Ken Miller, B-114, Our Escape, on the marriage of his daughter. Hopefully we will be able to enjoy the last few weeks of "summer". See you on the docks.

Jim Sutliff, B-Dock Captain

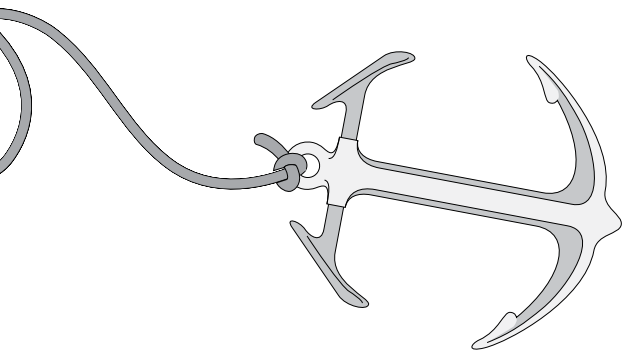


C-Dock News

HEY C - DOCK

Yes we're finally back from vacation!!! Now look at what we've gone and done. Another season has just about slipped away. However, there are still some great events to attend. You don't want to miss the Chili cook-off and Bonfire. And you certainly will not want to miss the Commodores Ball/Changing of the Watch in January. If you have attended the Ball in the past you know how much fun it is, and if you haven't, come check it out. You will not be disappointed. I think someone should come up with a "Damn it's still winter and when can we get back on the water party". It seems that on "C" Dock there is a party all the time, there is always something going on, even if nothing is planned a party will break out. The season was good, just a little too much rain and a little too short, but isn't that always the way. Hope you all have a great holiday season and we'll see all the "C" dockers at the Ball, we don't miss too many parties.

Jerry Williams, C-Dock Captain



D-Dock News



On Sept 5th the "Far Out D Dockers" held a major pot luck dinner. Participants in no particular order were: Jerry & Gail Ault, Tim & Gail Theiman, Ken & Gail Fender, Larry & Patty Feldhaus, Alan & Patti Brown, Todd & Lana Gray, Jim & Jan Davis, Kevin & Lisa Mosher, Jim & Barb Lynch, Chris & Amy Painter, Jon & Betty Johnson, Jerry & Pat Holmes, Dave & Marge McGraw and Tom and Joanne Beal. In addition a cast of thousands of kids of all ages, significant others and the usual compliment of dogs!!!! A great time was had by all warming-up for winter!

Trivia Quiz: Before she was commissioned to take the Pilgrims to America, the Mayflower was involved in a different trade. Anyone know what it was?

Good Reason: We all get heavier as we get older. That's because there's a lot more information in our heads. That's my story and I'm sticking to it.

Good Solution: If you start thinking too much about how you look, just find a happy hour somewhere. By the time you leave you will look just fine.

Trivia Answer: Before transporting the Pilgrims, the Mayflower was engaged in the wine trade, making it an interesting choice for the Pilgrims.



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