

BYC MEMBER NEWS & EVENTS

MAY 2026

# POOP DECK

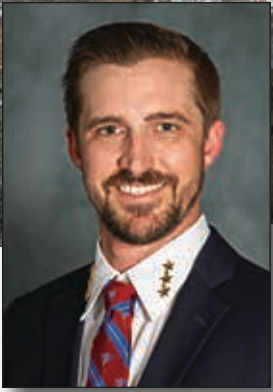
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## ANNUAL MEMORIAL & BLESSING OF THE FLEET

BYC Chaplain Jenn Gage



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**KYLE GRIMES**  
Commodore

## From The Helm

As we settle into my favorite time of the year on the Manatee River, it's hard not to appreciate just how great life at the Bradenton Yacht Club has been. The weather has been fantastic, clear skies, warm breezes, and great boating and swimming temperatures. The club itself is thriving, and it shows in the energy around the property each week. The pool and long wall have been especially lively, filled with boats, members, families, and friends.

As we look ahead to the summer months, there is a lot to be excited about. Before we get there, I want to take a moment to recognize a very special occasion. A heartfelt Happy Mother's Day to all of the incredible mothers of BYC. I'd especially like to wish a Happy Mother's Day to my mom, Michele

Grimes, and to the wonderful mother of my children, my wife, Britton. I am truly grateful for all that you do.

We hope you will join us in celebrating at our Mother's Day Brunch on May 10th. It's always a memorable event, and I encourage everyone to make their reservations early to ensure you don't miss out.

Following that, one of our most anticipated fishing traditions returns, the annual Crosthwait Memorial Fishing Tournament, taking place May 15th through the 17th. As in recent years, they will have offshore weigh-ins on both Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Even if you're not fishing, it's a great opportunity to come down, enjoy the atmosphere, and watch some impressive catches hit the scales.

I would also like to extend my thanks to all the members who attended the recent Town Hall Meeting regarding the proposed dining deck. Your engagement, thoughtful input, and constructive dialogue are always appreciated as we plan for the future of the club. It's clear that our membership is passionate about preserving what makes BYC special while also embracing opportunities to enhance the overall experience.

Finally, be sure to mark your calendars for our Annual General Membership Meeting on Thursday, May 28th at 6:00 PM. This is an important opportunity for us to come together, reflect on the excellent condition of the club, and discuss our plans moving forward. I look forward to seeing many of you there and continuing the conversation about how we can build on our success. If you cannot attend, please be sure to submit your proxy vote. You can contact the front office if you have any questions about that process.

Thank you all for being a part of what makes Bradenton Yacht Club such an exceptional place.— Kyle

**Embrace the Honored Tradition that is BYC!**

Join us for our Annual Memorial Service & Honorarium for our Dearly Departed.

Commodores who have helped blaze our trail and left us over the years, and for our members who have passed this year and last year.

**Saturday, May 2nd | 10:30 AM**

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**Annual Blessing of the Fleet will follow the Memorial Service**

**Blessing of the Fleet**

Come have your boat blessed for a safe year on the water! Open to all members with a boat large or small. Come as you are.... No special "Nautical Attire" required.

10:00 AM - Commodore Room: Celebration of Life - By Invitation, for those who have lost a loved one this year or last year, please join us.

10:30 AM - Main Dining Room: Memorial Service - All Members are encouraged to attend.

12:00 PM - Held Dock Side: Blessing of the Fleet to follow Memorial Service. Blessing of the Fleet is open to all members with a boat large or small. Complimentary appetizers for all Memorial and Blessing Participants.



# Bradenton Yacht Club Annual Meeting 2026



## MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT Thursday, May 28, 2026

5:00 PM Registration

5:45 PM Registration promptly closes

Meeting begins at 6:00 PM

### No Food or Beverage Service During Meeting

Enjoy our Pasta Bar following the meeting. This will be the only menu available. Choose from a variety of pasta, meats, veggies, and house made sauces. Plus... mussels Luciano, mussels marinara, homemade pizza, a carving station, full salad bar and delicious desserts.

\$22.95



## WEEKLY FEATURES

### Lunch Buffet

**Tuesday and Friday, 11:30 AM - 2 PM**

Fresh greens, garden veggies, 2 delicious soups, alternating hot entrée on Tuesday, and BYC Southern Fried Chicken every Friday! Soup Bar \$10.95, Soup & Salad Bar \$14.95, Whole Buffet \$16.95

### TWO FOR TUESDAY

**5-7 PM** 2 for 1 well drinks and house wines, plus \$1 domestic drafts

**6-9 PM** 2 dinners from our special menu for \$34

### Thursday Pasta Action Station

**5:30-8:30 PM Every Thursday**

Choose from a variety of pasta, meats, veggies and house made sauces. Plus, mussels Luciano, mussels marinara, homemade pizza, a carving station, full salad bar and delicious desserts. All you can eat. \$22.95

### Prime Rib Friday

**Friday - 5:30-9 PM**

Slow roasted tender prime rib of beef crusted with fresh herbs and spices, sliced to order, and served with Au jus and horseradish sauce. Mates Cut: \$32.95 | Commodores Cut: \$42.95

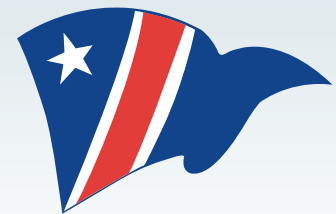
### Soup & Salad Bar

**Friday - 5:30-9 PM**

Prefer a light bite or an add on? Delicious house made soup, Artisan lettuces, plenty of toppings, 2 fresh house made dressings, and more. \$16.95

### Sunday Breakfast

**10 AM to 2 PM** Enjoy an alternating assortment of breakfast favorites. \$21.95



## WELCOME

**New Members**

Pete Ferraro & AJ Altes  
Bentley & Amy Reeves

**Legacy Member**

Cody Glasgow



GEORGE GORDON

## Around Your Club

### A Note from the General Manager

Hello BYC Members. Spring has officially arrived, and it's been a pleasure to see the Club come alive with renewed energy, especially around the pool, which has quickly become a favorite gathering spot once again. As we enjoy the warmer weather, we want to ensure the pool remains a safe and relaxing environment for everyone. Please remember to keep a close watch on your children at all times and kindly adhere to the posted pool rules located throughout the deck area.

### Club Projects & Operational Updates

We have several important updates regarding our facilities and upcoming decisions:

- **Proposed Patio Project:** An informational display outlining the proposed patio project is now available in the lobby. This exciting enhancement has been thoughtfully designed to elevate your Club experience, and we encourage you to take a moment to review the plans. Your feedback is vital in helping us decide whether to move forward with this addition.
- **Annual Meeting & Proxy Information:** On April 28th, the official Annual Meeting Package was emailed to all members as well as posted on the BYC website (log in required). The Package includes detailed information regarding the May 28th General Membership Meeting along with proxy materials for voting. We encourage all members to review this information carefully and participate in this important process.
- **Basin Ramp Gate Update:** A new gate has been installed at the basin ramp. Once it is fully operational, we will send an e-blast with specific dates and instructions on how to pick up your new clicker. We will transition slowly to ensure everyone has ample time to get their new clicker.
- **Front Gate Update:** A new electronic access system has been installed at the Main Gate entrance. Your current gate card should continue to function as usual. If you experience any issues or require a new gate card, please contact Jenifer in the Membership Office for assistance.

### Exciting Events in May

May promises to be a busy month at the Club, with a full calendar of events for members to enjoy. Be sure to check the Poop Deck and Club communications for dates and details on the following highlights:

- BYC Memorial Service & Blessing of the Fleet
- Mother's Day Brunch
- Crosthwait Fishing Tournament
- Italian Wine Pairing
- Memorial Day Celebration
- Annual Meeting

We look forward to a vibrant spring season and seeing you all at the Club! – *George*

**BRADENTON YACHT CLUB**

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING UPDATE:**

Please review updated rules approved at the April 2026 Board Meeting.

**Section VII - Basin Rules/2.General/h.**  
The Basin Committee reserves the right to reassign **wet slips** and **dry storage** to accommodate the greatest number of members.

**Section I - Membership Requirements/5.Initiation Fees and Dues/d. Temporary Members/i) Summer**  
The Summer Membership covers the period from June 1<sup>st</sup> through ~~September 30<sup>th</sup>~~ **October 31<sup>st</sup>**.

**Current Bylaws/Rules can be viewed on the BYC Website under Guidelines/Bylaws Rules**  
Member login is required to access page.

bradentonyachtclub.com



DIANE SULLO



## Entertainment

As the saying goes, April Showers bring May Flowers! This seems to be true as the flowers at the BYC entrance look great and very welcoming.

The Entertainment Committee wants to thank all the members who attended our fun-filled events this season and hope you enjoyed them as much as we enjoyed bringing them to you. Last month was our last event of the season -- the dynamic Atlantic City Boys.

Oh, what a night! They were brought back to our club by popular demand, and they proved it was the right decision. Everyone was singing along to the songs of Frankie Valli, Beach Boys, Bee Gees and of course the Four Seasons. Thanks to the entire staff, Atlantic City Boys and BYC members who attended to make it such a memorable evening!

The Entertainment Committee wants to hear from the BYC members. During your travels, if you come across a musical group or performer you have seen and would like to see performing at BYC, please don't hesitate to bring them to our attention. This is your club, and your voice is very important.

Keep in mind, many of our events are from recommendations from members. So, keep them coming!

Mother's Day Brunch is May 10th. This is always a favorite of the members. Also in May, there is the fun Pool Party BBQ planned for Memorial Day and don't forget the Annual BYC General Membership Meeting on May 28th -- registration is at 5 PM and closes 5:45 PM prompt.

Down the road, the Entertainment Committee has lots of exciting events to look forward to. On Saturday, August 29th, we are having a Summer Dance Party with the Shakes Society Band returning (by popular demand). On Saturday, October 24th, we have Casino Night and on Saturday, November 14th, we have The British Invasion Band (a recommendation from a BYC member).

Always check the "Save the Date" in the back of the Poop Deck newsletter for details on all the future events. Remember, please make your reservations early!!!

Let's keep the good times rolling! See you around the club...Happy Mothers Day and Enjoy the Memorial weekend. Stay safe and healthy. -- Diane

**Trivia Night**

WEDNESDAY  
MAY 27

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND WIN GREAT PRIZES

IN THE LOUNGE 6:30 PM  
HOSTED BY BLACK TIE DJS

RESERVATIONS PLEASE  
FOR A FUN FILLED EVENING

## MONTHLY EVENTS

### BYC Event Cancellation Policy:

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### Sail Fleet

Wed., May 6th 6:30 PM

### Power Fleet

Wed., May 13th 6:30 PM

### Bunco | Fri., May 15th

12 PM Lunch (optional) 1 PM Game Play

### Navigator's Club

Wed., May 27th 6 PM

### Book Club | Every 2nd Tues. 6 PM

### Bridge Club | Every Tues., 4 PM

and every Wed., 11 AM

### BYC Jammers | Every Thurs., 1 PM

### Mah Jongg | Every Thurs., 11:30 AM

### Pickleball | Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sat. 8 AM

\*No Sat. Pickleball when a Clinic or Ladder is scheduled.

### Water Aerobics

Every Tues. & Thurs., 9 AM • \$10 per class.

## FRIDAY NIGHT LOUNGE BANDS 6-9 PM



- MAY 1 | SAINT TONE DUO
- MAY 1 | ISLAND HOPPERS - TIKI
- MAY 8 | ANDRÉ ROY
- MAY 15 | TBA
- MAY 22 | ELEVATION
- MAY 29 | ANDREW RICKER



JOHN BROSHEARS

## Sail Fleet

The BYC meeting on Wednesday April 1, 2026, did indeed have elements of April Fool's Day. Originally planned for a poolside Mexican Buffett, the event was moved to the inside area to order off the menu. To add just another rub, I was considerably late and nothing near fashionably late. Everyone waited until I arrived before ordering. Were they being polite and considerate or doing that to solely burden me with the weight of guilt? Nevertheless, it was a wonderful evening at the club with close sailing friends.

The annual Commodores at the Helm Regatta on Sunday March 22nd once again lived up to its reputation. The rule is that a commodore must be at the helm, but we're not picky, any commodore will do. In true Yacht Club style, the Commodores begin with airs of Thurston Howell III, yet finish as Gilligan. Wind Dancer with PC Mark Berté at the helm finished first, followed by Wind Caller with PC Joe McClash, Silver Lining 2 with PC Bob Armstrong and Vice Cmdr. Bob Murphy's yacht, Maiden USA II with PC Howie

Stein at the Helm. There was a very nice wind for racing that made the sailing as fun as the After Party. The Sail Fleet's next race will be "Ladies at the Helm" on Sunday April 26th. Details will follow at a time in the future. The remaining BYC race schedule is as listed below:

### BYC 2026 Race Schedule:

**Fri. - Sun., Sept. 25 - 27, 2026 | Kick-Off Regatta**  
**Sun., Nov. 22, 2026 - Turkey Pursuit Regatta**

The May 6th Sail Fleet meeting topic, "BYC Sail Fleet 2025-26 Sailing Season Review" is envisioned to be a recap of our past active sailing season through pictures and stories. Everyone is invited to send me pictures of their memorable sailing moments as well as relating the stories of those moments at the meeting. Plausible truth of those tales is encouraged, but, respecting sailing tradition, not a requirement. I personally plan to show up on time and I hope to see you there. – *John*

**Sail Fleet - Wed., May 6<sup>th</sup> 6:30 PM**

**2025-26 BYC Sailing Season Review**

*What a Year!*

BYC Sailing Season Review is a celebration of our past season, told through photos and stories. Members are invited to share their favorite sailing moments, and the tales behind them at the meeting. Plausible truth of those tales is encouraged, but respecting sailing tradition, not a requirement. **Send photos to [jbroshe@gmail.com](mailto:jbroshe@gmail.com)**

**Reservations & Entrée Selection Required.**

- Lemon herb butter grilled chicken breast with broccoli potato hash. \$24.95
- Chimichurri Skirt Steak Salad; skirt steak on a bed of romaine, red onion, bell pepper, charred corn, and cotija cheese. Served with avocado ranch. \$21.95
- Pesto Poached Cod served with asparagus and roasted gold creamer potatoes. \$21.95

**MON., 5.25.2026**

**MEMORIAL DAY COOKOUT**

*Remember And Honor*

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**BBQ Buffet 12 PM to 4 PM**  
**Fun & Games 12 PM to 5 PM**  
**Kids Water Zone & Coin Dive**  
**Plus... Games for the Little Ones!**

**Buffet to Include: Salad Bar, Burgers, Hotdogs, Pulled Pork, BBQ Ribs, BBQ Chicken, Potato Salad, Coleslaw, Corn on the Cob, Mac n Cheese, Cookies, Cupcakes & More.**

**Reservations please!**  
**Seating available inside.**  
**Pool seating first come first served.**

**Adults \$24.95, Kids 5-10 \$14.95, 4 & under free with paying adult!**

**Entertainment 1 - 5 PM:**  
**Staar Entertainment**  
**Club Closed Tuesday, May 26th.**



## A Message about your BYC Membership.

A friendly reminder to **ALL MEMBERS**, the new membership year begins July 1, 2026. For your convenience, your membership will automatically renew on July 1st. A detailed renewal notice will be sent via email no later than May 15th. Please take a moment to read through this important notice. If you have selected to receive communication from the BYC via post mail only, be sure to watch your mailbox. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the office. We truly look forward to another year with you as a member of the BYC family and thank you for being an integral part of our continued success.

### **A reminder about dependents on Member accounts.**

Members' children aged 14 through age 25, living at home, at school or active military are authorized and encouraged to use the BYC facilities. All authorized member dependents **must have** a valid membership card. Dependent membership cards must be renewed each year by contacting the office. Please note, when a dependent reaches the age of 26, they no longer qualify as a member dependent and no longer have charging privileges. Consider a Legacy Status Membership for those that qualify, offering a 50% discount off the Initiation fee. If you have any questions, or for more information, contact Jenifer, [Membership@BradentonYachtClub.com](mailto:Membership@BradentonYachtClub.com).

**Need a BYC Gate Key, Boat Ramp Key or Ice Machine/ Pickleball Court Key?** All keys are issued through Jenifer in the BYC office. Please call, email or stop in the BYC office for key(s).

**Have you logged on to the private Member side of the BYC Website?** Downloaded the BYC app yet? If not, download now and enjoy an easier way to keep up with the BYC! We also offer a convenient monthly auto-draft payment option. Questions? or for more information, contact the office.

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**It's Tiki Time** | Fri., May 1st 6-9 PM

### **First Friday**

Drink Specials | May 1st 6-7 PM

### **Seafood Extravaganza**

Fri., May 1st 6-9 PM

### **BYC Memorial Service**

Sat., May 2nd 10:30 AM

### **BYC Blessing of the Fleet**

Sat., May 2nd Approx. 12 PM

### **Pickleball Ladder**

Sat., May 9th 9 AM

### **Great Mates Fashion Show**

Sat., May 9th 11 AM

### **Mother's Day Brunch** | Sun., May 10th

3 Seatings: 10 AM, 12:30 PM or 3 PM

### **Crosthwait Weekend**

Fri. - Sat., May 15-17

### **Wine Pairing** | Sat., May 23rd 6 PM

### **Memorial Day BBQ**

Mon., May 25th 12 - 5 PM

CLUB CLOSED Tuesday, May 26th

### **Trivia - Black Tie DJs**

Wed., May 27th 6:30 PM

### **Board Photo Shoot**

Thurs., May 28th 3:30 - 5 PM

### **Annual General Membership Meeting** | Thurs., May 28th.

Registration 5PM - closes 5:45 prompt.  
Meeting 6 PM.



APRIL BENDER

# Great Mates

The Great Mates hope everyone enjoyed a Happy Easter or Passover.

Thank you to all of those who attended our annual Tea Party. Gail Henderson gave a wonderful Betsy Ross interpretation and sponsored all of the tea served. Gail, you are a true friend to The Great Mates, and we appreciate your dedication, efforts and support.

Very soon we will have our final event of the season -- our Little Black Dress Fashion Show on Saturday, May 9th. Cutting edge, casual and formal outfits from Darci's Boutique in Sarasota will be modeled by our very own BYC member-models. Darci's has a mind-boggling variety of styles, sizes and accessories. Whether you are 20 or 90, I promise you there is something for everyone.

Hope to see you at the fashion show before we say goodbye to our seasonal folks. - April



Photos from past Little Black Dress Fashion Shows.

THE TRAVELLING LITTLE BLACK DRESS...

*... Sparkle Sizzle Swing into Spring*

# FASHION Show

AND LUNCHEON  
HOSTED BY THE

**Great Mates**

Trendy, sparkling, and eye-catching ensembles from **Darci's Boutique**, featured by our very own BYC Models. This fashion show promises to deliver not only upscale fashions, but lots of fun surprises. **Darci** will have a traveling boutique set up for after show shopping. Please join us, gentlemen are welcome.

**Menu:** Chicken Vol-au-Vent over Mesclun salad topped with balsamic glaze. Surprise Dessert, and Champagne.

EVENT PROCEEDS WILL BE DEVOTED TO THE GREAT MATES BYC EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP FUND.

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM  
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

**MAY 9TH**

TICKETS ARE \$65. PAYABLE VIA CASH OR CHECK ONLY TO THE GREAT MATES. PAYMENT IS DUE BY MAY 5TH. MAIL OR DROP OFF PAYMENT TO THE BRADENTON YACHT CLUB, 4307 13TH ST. W., PALMETTO FL 34221.

THERE WILL BE A RAFFLE AND A 50/50 DRAWING. (BRING CASH)

Don't Forget to Wear Your Little Black Dress... (optional)

**Darci** Visit 1441 Main Street in Historic Downtown Sarasota or shopdarci.com

# IT'S BUNCO TIME

Get ready to shout "BUNCO!"  
Looking for an afternoon of fun and laughs with  
friends. Join us for this fast paced dice game  
every 2nd Friday. No experience necessary.

**FRIDAY, MAY 15TH**

**12 PM LUNCH (OPTIONAL)  
DICE START ROLLING AT 1 PM**



**RESERVATIONS PLEASE.**

Questions? Contact Cindy Albano  
cindyalbano55@gmail.com

*Photo: Bunco Ladies Celebrating Galentine's Day 2026*

*Happy*

# BIRTHDAY

*to you*

Gregory Allard  
Christian Amerson  
Betsy Andrews  
Mark Aniello  
Sarah Arneson  
Danielle Azar  
Harry Bender  
Brian Beukema  
M. Bradley Blaylock  
Desiree Brandow  
Michele Britton  
Julie Bustle  
Rick Casson  
Janice Clayton  
James Clements  
Denise Conner  
Linda Conrad  
Kimberly Conte  
Andrew Davis  
Sydnie DeHayes  
John C. Diem  
Joseph Dimino  
Sharon Donnell  
Joe Dowling  
Bill Eller  
Roger Essig  
Matt Fonville  
Angela Gervais  
Jeff Gravely  
Julie Halverson  
Doug Harper  
Stephanie Harper  
Gail Henderson  
Hilary Hickman  
Scott Holmes  
Anthony Kaplan  
Suzanne Kerger  
Amber Kraus  
Mark S. Krejci

David Krull  
Don Krumin  
Marilyn Krumin  
Jeff Kutzke  
Marc Leestma  
Ruth Leestma  
Todd Lewis  
Therese Maseo  
Jeff Matson  
Susan McCart  
Virginia McClurg  
Robert Medred  
Camrin Merritt  
Kristie Meyer  
Kristin Miller  
Kathleen Molesky  
Linda Monroe  
Arnold Moshier  
Douglas Peck  
Kathy Peck  
Macarena Pelaez Alcalá  
Lisa Pessina  
Rob Petzold  
Laura Plum  
Valerie Quattlebaum  
Bentley Reeves  
Jamie Reid  
Ann Reza  
Sean Rhategan  
Nina Richardson  
Jefferson Riddell  
Autumn Rine  
Noreen Roberts  
Fred Ruggiero Jr.  
Jeanne Sardinha  
Carly Sauerbeck  
Dorinda Sayre  
Mark Setsma

Jeffrey Shellenberger  
William Shirley  
Cheryl Sidor  
Jennifer Sirois  
Ainsley MacDonald Smith  
Richard Stalowski  
Alison Thomas  
Ken Thomas  
Brian Thomas  
Ronald Travis  
Carl Tully Jr.  
Paula Ujhelyi  
Brian Urquhart  
Gail Urso  
Hank Vaccaro  
Jason Van Zetten  
Susan Velotas  
Michael Velotas  
Pam Weinstein  
Charles White  
Simon Williams  
Richard Wolfe  
Paula Zoller

# MAY MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

If your name is missing or listed  
incorrectly, please contact the  
office so we can make it right!

# It's TIKI TIME

**FRI.. MAY 1ST**

Join us for a tropical evening  
full of fun, food, & Island vibes!

6-7 PM Happy Hour: Complimentary Appetizers.

\$5 Margaritas & \$1 Beer Specials all night.

Tiki Tavern Menu Serving 4:00-9:30 PM

Live Entertainment: 6-9 PM  
Island Hoppers



# Miss Stress

## BOAT REVIEW

*By Glen Kondos*

Life can be full of challenges. For Tony DeStefano it began with going through a divorce during which his former spouse claimed he had a mistress. It wasn't true, however, it was an attempt to sweeten the pot for a larger payout. Faced with selling his primary residence along with the stress caused by his mother's illness, Tony thought, maybe I should have a mistress.

Tony grew up in Virginia Beach. Being around water was just part of life there, and Tony enjoyed the back bay waters

and fished them with his dad. After his dad gave him his boating smarts, Tony was given an 8' Sears Game Fisher boat when he was 10 years old, passed on from his brother and originally bought by their mother at a yard sale. He began fishing by himself. Fishing and water skiing were his loves growing up through to adulthood. Tony purchased a 27' Sea Hunt center console with twin 150 hp outboards, and Tony began offshore fishing. Eventually, it was time for a change of scenery, and Tony moved to Anne Maria Island in 2008 and trailered the boat.

Since high school, Tony had always dreamed of owning a sport fishing boat. Faced with selling his primary residence, he needed a new home. It was time to get his dream boat now so he could continue enjoying his love for fishing and diving. And live aboard. Tony bought his next boat out of Riviera Dunes Marina from the owner of the slip who let him keep it there until he was able to move her to Twin Dolphins Marina. The boat needed a new name, and luckily, he already had the perfect one.

"Miss Stress" is a beautiful 1990 Egg Harbor Golden Egg 42' Sport Fishing boat powered by twin Detroit 671T diesel engines. A v-berth and stateroom along with a dry head, full galley, and 2 A/Cs makes life on board comfortable. The flybridge comfortably seats 6 people and has Simrad electronics. The boat cruises at about 18 knots.

Tony only lived onboard "Miss Stress" for a year. You won't find Tony living onboard, but you will see Tony and his girlfriend, Anna, with their Brittany Spaniel, Lainey, traveling to their favorite marinas while diving for lobsters and shark teeth. What is guaranteed nowadays is that both Tony and Anna are enjoying their lives free from stress onboard "Miss Stress."





# Seafood Extravaganza

FIRST FRIDAY | MAY 1ST

6-7 PM

**First Friday Drink Specials**  
Buy One, Get One Free: Well Drinks & House Wines. Plus, \$1 Domestic Drafts.

**Live Entertainment**

- Lounge 6-9 PM  
Saint Tone Duo
- Tiki Bar 6-9 PM  
Island Hoppers

**RESERVATIONS PLEASE**

6-9 PM

**Seafood Raw Bar \$58.95**  
Snow Crab Legs, Oysters, Fish Dip, Cocktail Shrimp, and Ceviche Shooters. Plus Soup & Salad Bar, Grilled Branzino with Lemon Butter Sauce, Chicken Saltimbocca with Sage Cream Sauce, Creamy Potato Gnocchi, Vegetable Medley, and Desserts. **Carving Station:** Chateaubriand with Béarnaise Sauce

**Also Available**  
Regular Menu  
Soup & Salad Bar  
Slow Roasted Prime Rib

## What's App, Doc?

**Download our ClubHouse Online App and enjoy an easier way to keep up with the BYC!**

To download the ClubHouse Online App, Navigate to the Apple or Google play store and search for ClubHouse online. After downloading the app, type in Bradenton Yacht Club in Club Name. Select Bradenton Yacht Club from the dropdown list. The app will ask if you wish to allow push notifications, we encourage you to select allow if you wish to keep up with the BYC announcements and important notices. Next, enter your Username and Password, which is the same username and password you use to login to the BYC Website. If you do not have a username or password, you will need to register via the BYC website prior to logging into the app. After entering your username and password into app, click sign in.



**Enjoy an easier way to keep up with the BYC through Member Central, view and pay your statement as well as view the member roster.**



## MANATEE RIVER YOUTH SAILING

Hello MRYS families and supporters,  
We're excited to welcome Macy Parke as Manatee River Youth Sailing's new Head Sailing Coach! Macy grew up on the water just over the bridge in Clearwater and has been sailing for more than 10 years. She began in Optis, progressed through Techno 293 windsurfing, and later sailed 420s and FJs—giving her a broad background across dinghies and boards and experience with many racing and training styles.

A dedicated coach for five years, Macy knows how to make sailing both fun and challenging for sailors at every level. She's currently a member of the USF Sailing Team while finishing school, and she's bringing the same passion, energy, and strong work ethic she shows on the water to our program. Macy has fundraising experience that will be an extra asset to our non-profit. She has led her own events and played key roles supporting larger fundraisers, and she'll help expand our



*Macy Parke, Manatee River Youth Sailing's new Head Sailing Coach.*

donor and local support to strengthen programming.

She grew up at a small community sailing center that felt like a second home and family, and she's looking forward to creating a similar setting at MRYS.

Soon—starting June 1—look for Coach Macy and our dedicated instructors and assistants out on the water. We're all excited to see the positive impacts sailing brings to kids, from confidence and teamwork to resilience and a lifelong love of the sport.

Please join us in welcoming Coach Macy Parke to Manatee River Youth Sailing. We can't wait to see our sailors grow under her leadership!

Secure your sailor's spot today. Sign up now and set sail for an amazing experience! – *Emily*

June 1 - 12	9 AM - Noon
June 15 - 19	9 AM - 4 PM
June 22 - 26	9 AM - 4 PM
July 6 - 17	9 AM - Noon
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**SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY**

<p><b>NAUTI KNOWLEDGE</b></p>	<p><b>Question:</b> While underway in fog, you hear a prolonged blast from another vessel. This signal indicates a _____.</p> <p><b>Answer: (C)</b> power-driven vessel underway, making way.</p>	<p><b>Basin Rules Quiz Answers.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. B</li> <li>2. A</li> <li>3. C</li> <li>4. C</li> </ol>		<p><b>1 Pickleball 8 AM</b>  <b>FIRST FRIDAY</b>          Drink Specials 6-7 PM &amp;  <b>Seafood Extravaganza</b>          6-9 PM  <b>Saint Tone Duo</b>          IN THE LOUNGE  <b>Island Hoppers</b>          AT THE TIKI BAR</p>	<p><b>2 Memorial Service</b>          10:30 AM  <b>Blessing of the Fleet</b>          12 Noon</p>	
<p><b>3 Sunday Breakfast</b>          10 AM - 2 PM</p> <p>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm          Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern          Closes at 7 PM</p>	<p>Club &amp; Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays</p> <p><b>Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b>          4 PM          MEMBERSHIP 5 PM          ENTERTAINMENT 6 PM  <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b>          6-9 PM</p>	<p><b>6 Pickleball</b>          8 AM  <b>Bridge</b> 11 AM          HOUSE COMMITTEE 5:30 PM          SAIL FLEET 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>MAH JONGG</b>          11:30 AM          BYC JAMMERS 1 PM  <b>PASTA NIGHT</b>          5:30 PM-8:30 PM</p>	<p><b>8 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>André Roy</b>          IN THE LOUNGE</p>	<p><b>PICKLEBALL LADDER COMPETITION</b>          9 AM</p> <p><b>Great Mates FASHION SHOW</b>          11 AM</p>
<p><b>10 Mother's Day BRUNCH</b>          3 seating's          10 AM, 12:30 and 3 PM          No other food or drink service available. Pool Bar, Tiki Bar &amp; Tavern closed.          Clubhouse Closes at 6 PM</p>	<p>Club &amp; Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays</p> <p><b>Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b>          4 PM          BASIN 5:00 PM  <b>BOOK CLUB</b>          6 PM  <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b>          6-9 PM</p>	<p><b>13 Pickleball</b>          8 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM          COMMUNICATIONS 5 PM          POWER FLEET 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>MAH JONGG</b>          11:30 AM          BYC JAMMERS 1 PM          FINANCE COMM. 5:30 PM  <b>PASTA NIGHT</b>          5:30 PM-8:30 PM</p>	<p><b>15 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>FUN! Bunco</b>          12 PM  <b>TBD</b>          IN THE LOUNGE</p>	<p><b>16 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>Crosthwait WEEKEND</b></p>
<p><b>17 Crosthwait WEEKEND</b></p> <p>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm          Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern          Closes at 7 PM</p>	<p>Club &amp; Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays</p> <p><b>Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b>          4 PM  <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b>          6-9 PM</p>	<p><b>20 Pickleball</b>          8 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM          EXEC. COMM 6 PM          BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>MAH JONGG</b>          11:30 AM          BYC JAMMERS 1 PM  <b>PASTA NIGHT</b>          5:30 PM-8:30 PM</p>	<p><b>22 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>Elevation</b>          IN THE LOUNGE</p>	<p><b>23 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>WINE 6 PM PAIRING</b></p>
<p><b>24/31 Sunday Breakfast</b>          10 AM - 2 PM</p> <p>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm          Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern          Closes at 7 PM</p>	<p><b>25 Pickleball</b>          8:30 AM</p> <p><b>Memorial Day BARBEQUE</b>          12 - 5 PM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM</p> <p><b>CLUB &amp; FUEL DOCK CLOSED</b></p>	<p><b>27 Pickleball</b>          8 AM  <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM          NAVIGATORS 6 PM  <b>TRIVIA WITH BLACK TIE DJS</b> 6:30 PM</p>	<p>Water Aerobics 9 AM  <b>MAH JONGG</b>          11:30 AM  <b>BOD PHOTO SHOOT</b>          3:30 PM - 5 PM  <b>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b>          6 PM          Registration 5 - 5:45 PM          No food or beverage service during meeting. Pasta Night 7 PM - 9 PM</p>	<p><b>29 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p> <p><b>Andrew Ricker</b>          IN THE LOUNGE</p>	<p><b>30 Pickleball</b>          8 AM</p>



*June*

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> Club & Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM	<b>2</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 4 PM MEMBERSHIP 5 PM ENTERTAINMENT 6 PM <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b> 6-9 PM	<b>3</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM <b>Bridge</b> 11 AM HOUSE COMMITTEE 5:30 PM SAIL FLEET 6:30 PM	<b>4</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>MAH JONGG</b> 11:30 AM BYC JAMMERS 1 PM <b>PASTA NIGHT</b> 5:30 PM-8:30 PM <b>HURRICANE</b> Preparedness Meeting 6:30 PM	<b>5</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM <b>FIRST FRIDAY</b> Drink Specials 6-7 PM & <b>Seafood Extravaganza</b> 6-9 PM <b>Wayne Delair</b> IN THE LOUNGE <b>Tumbleweed</b> At THE TIKI BAR	<b>6</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM
<b>7</b> <b>Sunday Breakfast</b> 10 AM - 2 PM  <small>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern Closes at 7 PM</small>	<b>8</b> Club & Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM	<b>9</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 4 PM  <b>BOOK CLUB</b> 6 PM <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b> 6-9 PM	<b>10</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM COMMUNICATIONS 5 PM LONG RANGE 6 PM POWER FLEET 6:30 PM	<b>11</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>MAH JONGG</b> 11:30 AM BYC JAMMERS 1 PM FINANCE COMM. 5:30 PM <b>PASTA NIGHT</b> 5:30 PM-8:30 PM	<b>12</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM  <b>Bingo</b> 12 PM <b>Taylor Taylor</b> IN THE LOUNGE	<b>13</b>  <b>PICKLEBALL LADDER COMPETITION</b> 9 AM
<b>14</b> <b>Sunday Breakfast</b> 10 AM - 2 PM  <small>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern Closes at 7 PM</small>	<b>15</b> Club & Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM	<b>16</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 4 PM <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b> 6-9 PM	<b>17</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM EXEC. COMM 6 PM BOARD OF DIRECTORS 6:30 PM	<b>18</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>MAH JONGG</b> 11:30 AM BYC JAMMERS 1 PM <b>Family Bingo Night</b> 6:30 PM <b>PASTA NIGHT</b> 5:30 PM-8:30 PM	<b>19</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM  <b>Island Hoppers</b> IN THE LOUNGE	<b>20</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM
<b>21</b>  <b>Father's Day Brunch</b> 2 Seating's 10 AM or 12:30 PM <small>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern Closes at 7 PM</small>	<b>22</b> Club & Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM	<b>23</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 4 PM <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b> 6-9 PM	<b>24</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 11 AM NAVIGATORS 6 PM <b>TRIVIA WITH BLACK TIE DJS</b> 6:30 PM	<b>25</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>MAH JONGG</b> 11:30 AM BYC JAMMERS 1 PM <b>PASTA NIGHT</b> 5:30 PM-8:30 PM	<b>26</b> <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM  <b>Scott Curts</b> IN THE LOUNGE	<b>27</b>  <b>CHANGE OF WATCH &amp; BIG BANG</b> 6 PM <small>Clubhouse House Closed - Tiki Bar &amp; Tavern serving till 9:30 PM</small>
<b>28</b> <b>Sunday Breakfast</b> 10 AM - 2 PM  <small>Clubhouse Closes at 6pm Outside Bars and Tiki Tavern Closes at 7 PM</small>	<b>29</b> Club & Fuel Docks Closed on Mondays <b>Pickleball</b> 8 AM	<b>30</b> Water Aerobics 9 AM <b>Bridge Club</b> 4 PM <b>TWO FOR TUESDAY</b> 6-9 PM	 <b>WEATHER PERMITTING!</b> <small>The Outside Bars will close during an Electrical Storm, driving rain, or when the temperature is below 40 degrees</small>		<b>Tiki Tavern, Tiki Bar &amp; Pool Bar hours:</b> Friday, 4 to 9:30 PM Saturday, Noon - 9:30 PM Sunday, Noon - 7 PM	



MARC OUELLETTE

## Power Fleet

Well, it happened. At the time of this writing, BYC fuel prices broke the \$5.00 per gallon mark. Since the end of February, we've all seen marine fuel prices increase drastically by 35%, 40%, and higher in some places. At BYC we enjoy some of the lowest fuel prices around, so I would expect other Clubs and public marinas to be \$1.00 - \$1.50 (or more) above our prices. Ouch. So now what? Do we stop using our boats? Heck no! Here are some ways we can still enjoy time on the water:

- Slow Down – Obvious yes, but this can result in big savings especially if you have a larger vessel. If you have the time, throttle back to a leisurely 8-10 knots and enjoy!
- Take the ICW vs Gulf– Go slow and take in the local views and scenery.
- Defer Longer Boat Trips – Do the trip by car instead, get a hotel, and rent a boat at your destination.
- Boat Projects – Do them now so they're done when fuel becomes more affordable. After all, "...there is nothing... half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats!" (from *The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame).
- Be (more of) a "Dock Bum" – If your boat is in a slip, pretend you've cruised somewhere and just hang out on your boat. Stay overnight for even more fun!
- Go Boating with Fellow Boat Owners – "Boat pooling" can result in big savings since only 1 boat goes out vs 2 or more.
- Do Lunch Cruises to Local Establishments – You don't have to go far by boat to enjoy some really good food options. Bring some friends!



Above: Even older "kids" enjoyed their balloon sculptures!" (Janice & Anita)



Above: "Abracadabra!" Above right: Mike dazzling the ladies with one of his many card tricks

- Find a Local Anchorage – Spend some lazy quiet time on the hook.
- Buy a New Boat-- specifically one with a tall vertical pole in the middle and lots of fabric hanging off of it! I've been told the "fuel" for these boats is FREE??!!

### Meetings

- **March 11th (Power & Sail Fleet)** – We had an amazing evening of magic tricks and fun provided by the very talented Mike A. Jones, a local magician and balloon artist. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, and attendees had a very hard time deciding which was better, Mike's fantastic magic tricks OR his amazing balloon sculptures!
- **April 8th (Power Fleet)** – At our April meeting we gave the microphone to several of our Power Fleet members who shared their own personal "Scary Tales from the Helm" of their own boats. We heard some amazing and interesting stories and will share more in next month's Poop Deck.
- **May 13th (Power Fleet)** – This month, the venue will be casual and friendly, with a buffet at our beautiful Tiki Bar. Come spend some time with your fellow boaters and share a story or two.
- **June 10th (Power Fleet)** – Come join us for a fun evening that will test your knowledge of nautical trivia and boating "know how." Work in teams with prizes awarded to the first place winners!

### Cruises:

- **Venice Yacht Club & Boca Grande (April 10-12)**  
Due to busy schedules (and rising fuel prices?), the Boca Grande leg of this trip was canceled. And high winds for the weekend also adversely impacted the plans of many of our Fleet for our cruise to Venice Yacht Club. Venice is such a wonderful club and location with beautiful amenities and a great staff that always makes us feel welcome. We will be planning another visit there sometime soon!
- **Rescheduled: Tampa Convention Center Marina, May 6-8 (Weds-Fri)** Again due to busy schedules, the dates for this cruise (formerly May 12-14) were moved up to the previous week. Located in the heart



Young members enjoying their balloons.

of downtown, the Tampa Convention Center (TCC) Marina puts you in the center of all the action! Restaurants, Street Car, History Center, River Taxi and River Walk are among some of the amenities within an easy walk from the marina. We'll have more to report on this trip in next month's Poop Deck.

- **Pink Shell Resort & Marina (June 5-7)** Pool or Beach? You can have both at the Pink Shell Resort in Fort Meyers Beach! Details are still being worked out for this beautiful destination, and we will likely have a stopover planned on the way down.

Tell us your ideas by sending an email to: [MarcandCathyOuellette@gmail.com](mailto:MarcandCathyOuellette@gmail.com)

See you around the Club and Happy Boating!  
– Marc and Cathy



## CAPTAINS CORNER

AC season is coming. Check those shore power cords. If they're old or have any corrosion, buy replacement cords immediately. It's cheap insurance!



**NAUTI KNOWLEDGE**

Question: While underway in fog, you hear a prolonged blast from another vessel. This signal indicates a \_\_\_\_\_.

Find the answer on the May calendar page.

- Question:** While underway in fog, you hear a prolonged blast from another vessel. This signal indicates a \_\_\_\_\_.
- A) sailboat underway  
B) vessel underway being towed  
C) power-driven vessel underway, making way  
D) vessel being towed

**Power Fleet Social  
Meet Me at the Tiki!**

All are welcome to join us.

Buffet – \$24.95++

- Hawaiian Sweet & Sour Chicken
- Teriyaki Shrimp
- Vegetable Fried Rice
- Bok Choy

**Wed., May 13th  
6:30 PM**

**Reservations Please.**

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BOB CATONE & JOANNE IANNONE



# Navigator's Club

Kay and Charlie Moran researched and planned an excursion to historic Charleston, South Carolina. The French Quarter, with its cobblestone streets, unique architecture, famous churches, restaurants, theaters and Art galleries was the focal point. Their food tour hit the highlights and provided a sumptuous variety of French cuisine. They attended the interactive Black Fedora Comedy and Mystery theater for Murder at the Redneck Reunion. Anita Stein volunteered to participate. She used her best Southern accent to play the part and created a wonderful group memory.

Other activities included a visit to the Magnolia plantation and gardens or the massive Patriots Point Naval Museum. Its tours included the Apollo astronaut recovery aircraft carrier USS Hornet, 28 Naval fighters, bombers and helicopters, Medal of Honor Museum, Destroyer USS Laffey and a replica Vietnam war military encampment.

The visit to Charleston was a wonderful experience no one should miss. Thank you, Kay and Charlie. – Bob and Joanne



*Navigator's Club*  
Explore The World With Us  
Wed., May 27th | 6 PM

All are welcome to join our dinner meeting and hear about our adventures and future plans.

**Reservations & Entree Selection Required.**

Prosciutto Wrapped Chicken breast over Spring mix with sundried tomatoes, roasted red pepper, shaved parmesan and a lemon basil dressing. \$21.95

Grilled Flat Iron Steak with balsamic cremini mushrooms, roasted potatoes and broccolini. \$22.95

Seared Blackened Snapper on a bed of roasted potatoes with a sweet pepper sofrito and broccolini. \$24.95

A group of members that venture out by car, boat, or plane to places in FL and beyond with friends from BYC. We always have a great time and many laughs along the way. Hope to see you there or at the club.  
Bob Catone & Joanne Iannone  
bcatone1119@gmail.com

# BRIDGE CLUB



Jeff & Christine Winsler initiated "Beginners Bridge," a vehicle designed to attract those with little or no knowledge of the game. This endeavor has turned out to be an outstanding success, attracting several new members to the established Bridge Group. Thank you and well done to Jeff & Christine.



Jeff & Christine appeared on the scene some three years ago as rank beginners knowing nothing of the game. In just a few years, they have evolved into most credible players. You can emulate them by getting in-touch with any one of our members, or for more information just write me, Art DaCosta [artdacosta@hotmail.com](mailto:artdacosta@hotmail.com).

Or, if you participated along with the beginners group, and would like additional instruction, get in touch with Art or any of the members. – Art

## MARCH BRIDGE RESULTS

### TUESDAY WINNERS

- MAR. 3** 1st: Carmen & Art DaCosta  
 2nd: Lucia Shoemaker & Ann Wolpers  
 3rd: Tammy Uselton & Alison Thomas
- MAR. 10** 1st: Jeff & Christine Winsler  
 2nd: John Clopsey & Creighton Beddow  
 3rd: Lucia Shoemaker & Ann Wolpers
- MAR. 17** 1st: Allison Thomas & Wilma Keller  
 2nd: Christine & Jeff Winsler  
 3rd: Carla & Gary Morgan
- MAR. 24** 1st: Joanne & Joe Rizkallah  
 2nd: Lucia Shoemaker & Ann Wolpers  
 3rd: Christine & Jeff Winsler

### WEDNESDAY WINNERS

- MAR. 4** 1st: Carla Morgan  
 2nd: Candy Burch  
 3rd: Betsy Pennewill
- MAR. 11** 1st: Gary Morgan  
 2nd: MaryLou Thompson  
 3rd: Carmen DaCosta
- MAR. 18** 1st: Robin Knowles  
 2nd: Marylou Thompson  
 3rd: Gary Morgan
- MAR. 25** 1st: Carla Morgan  
 2nd: Gary Morgan  
 3rd: Candy Burch



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# Mother's Day Brunch

**Sunday, May 10th | Brunch Seating's:  
10 AM, 12:30 PM or 3 PM.**

## **GRAND BUFFET**

Shrimp & Gouda Grits, Smoked Whitefish Dip with Fancy Crackers, Vine & Tree Ripened Fruit Display, Selection of Artisan Cheeses, Full Salad Bar, Chicken Salad, Tuna Salad, Shrimp Cocktail, Bacon Wrapped Scallop, Apple Nueske Bacon, Sausage, Breakfast Potatoes, Shrimp Quiche, Omelet Station, Cinamon Apple French Toast, Vegetable Medley, Mashed Potatoes, Saffron Pilaf, Pollo Guisado, Blackened Salmon in a Garlic Butter Sauce, Carved Honey Glazed Ham, Carved Prime Rib, and Assorted Desserts.

**Adults, \$54.95 + + Kids, 5 to 10 \$28.95 + +  
Little ones under 4 Free with paying adult.  
24 Hour Cancellation Policy.**

## **BYC DRESS CODE: CLUB CASUAL**

Women: Dress, skirt, slacks, or dressy jumpsuit.  
Men: Slacks, dress shorts, neat denim.  
No ripped jeans or flip-flops.

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## **RESERVATIONS A MUST**

Mother's Day Brunch will be the only service available.  
Tiki Bar, Tiki Tavern & Pool Bar Closed  
Entire Club Closes at 6:00 PM.



## NEWS FROM THE KITCHEN

*By Bob Armstrong*



L-R: Glen Kondos and Jeff Winsler, Jeff and Christine Winsler, Anna Smith and Lisa Hoban

April has been a very busy month on the pickleball courts! On Saturday April 4, Glen Kondos, assisted by Paul Stamm, ran our monthly "Ladder Competition" with 21 members participating! A fun event that challenges everyone especially playing in a breezy 10-15 knot wind! Congratulations to Jeff Winsler the overall winner! Thanks to Glen and Paul for running a fun event!

On April 11th, we held our Spring Pickleball Clinic. This is a good time for newbies to the sport to learn the game and for those that would like a refresher to join in as well. Randy laboni has been our instructor for these clinics for several years. He does a great job of teaching the basics, safety on the courts and getting everyone started playing games in a low key environment! Thanks also to Betsy Pennewill and Karen Armstrong for assisting Randy! If you are interested in this very social and fun game, we hope you will come out and join in the fun in one of our future clinics!

See you on the courts!



On Saturday, March 21st the Bradenton Yacht Club hosted the FCYC State Pickleball Championship. Last fall both the east and west coasts had tournaments, and the winners came together last weekend to battle it out for state bragging rights. It was a beautiful day, and everyone had so much fun. Participants from six different clubs came to compete in the Men's Doubles, Women's Doubles, and Mixed Doubles. The clubs represented in addition to BYC were Isles Yacht Club, Pelican Isles Yacht Club, Captiva Yacht Club, Smyrna Yacht Club and Halifax Yacht Club. BYC put up a team in each category, and we had a wonderful showing.

- Anna Smith and Lisa Hoban took Bronze in women's doubles
- Glen Kondos and Jeff Winsler took Bronze in men's doubles
- Jeff and Christine Winsler took Silver in mixed doubles

The BYC Pickleball Club would like to thank all those who helped to make this such a great event. George, Chelsea, Sasha, and the whole maintenance crew did an amazing job of making the club and courts look extra nice. We had tents and chairs set up for the many spectators who came out to watch. Bob Armstrong worked hard to make sure the courts were in tip top condition, and Karen Armstrong did an amazing job managing the players and keeping the scores! It was a team effort, and we received many compliments and comments about how nice our club is and how welcome everyone felt.

Congratulations to all the winners and a special thank you to all who came out to watch and cheer us on!

**PICKLEBALL LADDER COMPETITION**

Come play **skill-bracketed, competitive** pickleball.  
Sign up now for the BYC Pickleball Ladder Competition. Contact Glen Kondos on 443-676-7761 or glen.kondos@gmail.com

**SATURDAY, MAY 9, 9AM**

**Bradenton Yacht Club**  
13th Street West, Palmetto, FL



FRANK ALBANO

## Basin Committee

Spring is here—the perfect time to get out on the water and enjoy the beautiful weather. While the basin continues to present some challenges, Chelsea, our Dockmaster, has been doing an outstanding job managing operations and keeping everything well organized. With ongoing improvements, the basin is looking better than ever, and we anticipate the boat ramp barrier gate project will be completed by the time you are reading this.

In March, we experienced an issue with the fuel system when a hose ruptured, requiring a temporary shutdown of the gas pump. Diesel service remained unaffected. Chelsea promptly ordered a replacement hose, and service was restored. We appreciate and thank you for your patience during that time.

Also in March, the Club hosted a two-day Grady-White event. While no boats were sold, we were pleased to welcome guests to the property. Thank you to the Basin Committee members who generously volunteered their time to help oversee the event.

As we continue to consistently enforce basin policies, we would like to remind members that vessels in the BYC Basin are expected to leave Club property under their own propulsion at least every sixty (60) days for a minimum of two hours. Whenever you plan to take your boat out of the basin, please notify Chelsea prior to departure. It's also a great opportunity to connect and maintain open lines of communication. Also, for those who may not know, there is a Trash Pump stored in the small shed located on the right side of the tennis/pickleball court.

For those utilizing dry storage, we ask that you periodically check on your vessel to ensure trailer tires are properly inflated, the boat remains clean and free of mold, and all systems are in good working order. As a reminder, in preparation 24 Hours prior to a named storm, all vessels remaining in dry storage must be properly secured with two augers and one strap to secure their boats/trailers.

Wishing you a safe and enjoyable boating season.— *Frank*

### Basin Rule Quiz

See Answers on May calendar page

- 1. Where is the Trash pump located?**
  - A. In the Dockmaster's locker in the office.
  - B. In front of the tennis court on the right.
  - C. By the pool pump on the left.
- 2. Can you display signage signs ( i.e. For Sale or for Charter)?**
  - A. No
  - B. Yes
  - C. Maybe
- 3. Are open fires allowed in the Basin (i.e. Grilling or fire pits)?**
  - A. When you're hungry
  - B. Yes
  - C. Never
- 4. Should shrouds, halyards, and other running rigging be tied off?**
  - A. It depends on the weather.
  - B. 72 hours before a named storm.
  - C. Always



Anchor

Watch

"Anchor Watch" is defined as Crewmen assigned to keep watch over the ship while at anchor. We are a subcommittee of Membership on duty to watch over our members. We want you to know each of you is important to our Club family. If you know of someone in the hospital, going through a tough time, or just needs a hand, please let us know, or the BYC office, and we will make sure the member knows we care. **Pat Baker – Membership Director**

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**THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR COMMUNITY**

It is always a pleasure to work with our fellow Bradenton Yacht Club members and to represent exceptional homes across the Suncoast. We would also like to thank our BYC Members for entrusting The Paxton Group with the marketing of their lovely home in Cove Sound Yacht Club, featured above.



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## Book Club



As I write this article, I realize we are flying through another year in Book Club. We have become active outside of the walls of the Commodore's Room where we meet the second Tuesday of each month. During the last holiday season, in addition to placing second with our whimsical Angel Tree, we had widespread participation in Harbor Lights and received many compliments on both our peppermint vodka drink and tasty, dipped pretzels. We passed out our 2026 Book List and, as a result, have welcomed new members. We are now averaging 19 members per meeting, making for lively discussions!

We continue to read a wide variety of novels, many of which we might never have read if left on our own. It amazes me how timely some of our reads become. In January, we read *Atmosphere* by Taylor Jenkins Reid. Based on the life of Astronaut Sally Ride, this historical fiction novel

prepared us for this year's Artemis II Moon Mission. It gave us so much information on the inner workings of space flight and the crucial, close working relationship between the flight crew and ground control.

On June 9th, Commodore Kyle Grimes with his wife Britton, will lead us in *Project Hail Mary* by Andy Weir. Not only is it one of the most sought after books this year, the movie by the same name and starring Ryan Gosling hit the theatres at the end of March. In the past, we have attended the movie after reading the book, then gone to a nearby restaurant for



a casual dinner and comparison discussion. This time, with the movie occurring

before the book, we went to the movie on an individual basis. Both the novel and film have received high praise! It is not every day that most of us read science fiction, but we are certainly looking forward to this Commodore's Choice and hope other BYC members might join us.

The library has a long wait list, but the book is available on Amazon or Kindle. The audio version is supposed to be terrific too!



### COMING UP:

My Friends	Fredrik Backman	May 12th
Project Hail Mary	Andy Weir	June 9th
The Eyre Affair	Jasper Fforde	July 14th
Waiting for Snow in Havana	Carlos Eire	August 11th
The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Merriweather Post	Allison Pataki	September 8th
Theo of Golden Exile	Allen Levi	October 13th
	Richard North Patterson	November 10th
The Rent Collector	Camron Wright	December 8th

*For more information, see the back page of the Poop Deck and contact Ann Wolpers, Chair 941-224-4996 • abwolpers@gmail.com*

Our May meeting will be led by an original Book Club member, Denise Berté. The novel is *My Friends* by Fredrik Backman, author of the highly acclaimed *A Man Called Ove*, which was adapted into a film starring Tom Hanks. You are welcome to join us whether or not you have read the book (spoiler alert- we often discuss the ending).

We will meet May 12th from 6-7 p.m. in The Commodores Room for a Most Happy Hour! Grab a libation, popcorn or soft serve ice cream and JOIN US! – Ann



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- May 19 - Courtney Fricke - Building a Brand Online
- May 26 - Pitch Your Property and Let's Make a Deal
- Jun. 09 - Kathy Kennebrook - Land Acquisitions
- Jun. 16 - Larissa Green, Advanta Ira - Raising Capital for Small and Large Deals
- Jun. 23 - Commissioner Amanda Ballard, Manatee County
- Jun. 30 - Pitch Your Property and Let's Make a Deal

 **Would you like to speak at a meeting? Contact David.**

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# Looking Toward June

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## SAVE THE DATE!

Family Bingo Night	Thurs.	6/18/26	6:30 PM
Father's Day Brunch	Sun.	6/21/2026	10 AM or 12:30 PM
Change of Watch & Big Bang	Sat.	6/27/2026	6:00 PM
Independence Day Celebration	Sat.	7/4/2026	12 - 5 PM
Family Bingo Night	Thurs.	7/9/2026	6:30 PM
FCYC Weekend - The Field Club	Fri. - Sun.	7/17-19/2026	
Sunday Fun Day - Poolside	Sun.	7/19/2026	2 - 6 PM
Jr. Member Mixer	Thurs.	7/23/2026	6:30 - 8:30 PM
New Member Orientation Breakfast	Sat.	8/15/2026	10:00 AM
Last Summer Kids Pool Party	Fri.	8/14/2026	5:30 PM
Sunday Fun Day - Poolside	Sun.	8/23/2026	2 - 6 PM
BYC Summer Dance Party - Shakes Society	Sat.	8/29/2026	7-10 PM
Labor Day Celebration	Mon.	9/7/26	12 - 5 PM
FCYC Weekend - Naples Sailing & Yacht Club	Fri.-Sun.	9/11-13/2026	
Annual Shutdown	Tues-Mon	9/08-21/26	
Re-Open	Tuesday	Sept. 22nd	11:30 AM
Kick Off Regatta	Fri-Sun	9/25-27/2026	
Sunday Fun Day	Sun.	9/27/26	2 - 6 PM
Murder Mystery Dinner	Sat.	10/3/26	6:00 PM
BYC Casino Night	Sat.	10/24/26	6:00 PM
Kids Halloween Party	Sat.	10/31/26	11:00 AM
Daylight Savings	Sun.	11/1/26	2:00 AM
Wine Pairing	Sat.	11/7/26	6:00 PM
Veterans Day	Wed.	11/11/26	
Tribute to the 60's - British Invasion	Sat.	11/14/26	6:00 PM
FCYC Weekend - Coral Ridge Yacht Club	Fri.-Sun.	11/14-16/2026	
Turkey Pursuit Regatta	Sun.	11/22/26	1:00 PM
Turkey Take Out Pickup- Order by 11/20/2026	Wed.	11/25/26	4:00-6:00 PM

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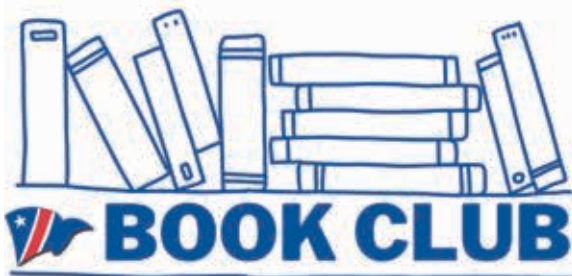
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