



NAVARRE BEACH YACHT CLUB NEWS AUGUST 2016

Commodore's Comments...



Ahoy NBYC Members!

Though I hate to even say it, this time of year can be busy with named storms. Our philosophy: The more prepared we are, the less chance it will come. So make your hurricane preparation list, and don't forget to include a plan for your boat. If it must stay in the water, you can never use too many lines. Spider web that thing! Prepare for the worst but hope for the best!

We had a great turn-out for the August meeting. Our Marine Advisor Steve R. warned us about the citations written in Destin Harbor due to it being a "no discharge" zone. A number of boats were boarded and given fines, as even the Coast Guard-approved waste treatment systems are in violation there. So be forewarned.... Be sure to use your holding tanks and lock off your discharge valves. It's better for the environment and your pocketbook.

Storekeeper Lori got approval to order a new large Burgee as well as some more shirts for the store. When you see Lori, be sure to give her kudos for all the work she does with our NBYC wear. It's a big job, and she's been so good about keeping us in-style. Plus, she stores all those boxes herself and drags them to our meetings and events. Thank you, Lori!

Unfortunately, your commodore was out of town during the Ft. Walton Yacht Club Rendezvous. I'm hoping to hear all the good news about that at the upcoming September meeting. Thank you Roger Roy for the invite, and I hope plenty of NBYC members took advantage of this lovely venue.

Fortunately, I WAS able to make the Navy Yacht Club raft-up. My captain and I had another fantastic sail Friday night, where we spent a comfortable night at Palafox Pier. The next morning we had a lovely, windward tack to the Bayou Grande Marina. This was our first time, and we were truly impressed. Thank you, Bill Geyer, for sponsoring this event. Though it was another blisteringly hot day, the 6 sailboats



and 5 powerboats who attended were plugged in and cool. Bill got us permission to use their Crow's Nest party room, and we all enjoyed icy drinks, great food, friendship, and board games in beautiful, climate controlled luxury, overlooking our boats. Bill even had some nautical prizes! And bonus~ The next morning, most of us got a courtesy inspection from Coast Guard auxiliary, so now we have the sticker and may be able to avoid another boarding if stopped on the water.



Seems no matter how hot the weather is on land, when you're surrounded by water and wind, life just feels cooler. Hope to see you out at the next **Tuesday** meeting!

Commodore Juana

Upcoming Events:

Tues., Sept. 6 - NBYC Meeting (Since Monday is Labor Day) - 7:30 pm at Juana's

Sept. 23-25 - Terry Cove Outing, Perdido Bridge Area - John Myran sponsors