



## Newsletter #11 September 2025

### General Meeting

The next meeting will be on October 7 at the Power Squadron. This is an important meeting as we will be voting on the new bylaws and the slate of Officers for 2026

We have changed the format a bit to streamline the meetings.

Happy Hour will be from 5-5:30

We will start the meeting at 5:30 while the galley crew sets up for dinner At 6:00. The meeting will conclude after dessert

### Election of Officers

The Nominating Committee presents the Slate of Officers for 2026.

Commodore: Tim Podley

Vice Commodore : Ted Clark

Rear Commodore/Destination Chair: Bob Purrone

Secretary: Patty Zeiler

Treasurer: Russ Bell

Additional nominations will be accepted until September 20 If you would like to run for any of the positions or nominate someone, please contact Margaret Dorin ASAP!

**Upcoming Boat Trips** Rear Commodore Bob Purrone  
([Sanibelbob1@comcast.net](mailto:Sanibelbob1@comcast.net))

The updated calendar is on page 2

**Remember that if a trip becomes a drive, members who have signed up for the boat trip must still attend** as the restaurants often provide extra help for our usually large group. Bob will have sign-up sheets at the upcoming trips at the June Meeting. You can sign up as Skippers or Crew at the General Meetings or when the notices are emailed about 2 weeks prior to the trip. It is essential that members respond to the notices immediately, confirming attendance and it is mandatory that you include your phone number when responding.

Also, please note that if there are issues or concerns at any of the restaurants we go to, please address them directly to Bob or the person in charge of the trip. and not with the restaurant staff.

**Land Activities** Anne Kiefer ([dr.annekiefer@gmail.com](mailto:dr.annekiefer@gmail.com))

The next activity will be a beach trip and lunch at Venice Beach on Thursday September 25. There's still time to sign up by contacting Anne.

**Membership Update** Judy Hartig

Our roster stands at 114 with several pending applications. We have room for some new members. If you know someone who would be interested in joining the Club, please bring them as guests to a meeting or boat trip and contact Judy for the application.

**Galley Crew** Margaret Dorin([margaretdorin@comcast.net](mailto:margaretdorin@comcast.net))

Margaret still needs help in the kitchen. Please contact her if you'd like to help.

### COMMODORES CORNER

Please be watching your emails for some very important items from the Club.

You have already received the notice from the Nominating Committee about the upcoming elections. The Committee has presented a Slate, but if there is anyone else you would like to nominate or if you would like to run for any of the positions you need to contact Margaret Dorin, Kate Rouse or Terry South immediately to be included on the Ballot.

In addition to the election of Officers the Club will vote on the new bylaws at the October General Meeting. I will be sending all members that we have email addresses for a copy of the new bylaws so you will have time to look at them prior to the meeting and the vote.

You will also be receiving the invitation to the Holiday Party on December 9<sup>th</sup>. Mark your calendars NOW!!!

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or text to 413 772-9894

### Pot Luck: Kate Rouse([k.rouse54@gmail.com](mailto:k.rouse54@gmail.com))

.Kate will be sending the notice for the October meeting very soon and will tell you what you will need to bring for the Potluck. You must reply if you are coming. When she receives your reply, she will send a 'thumbs up' back to you. Please check for that to be sure she received your reply. As always, please respond promptly!!!

### Clothing Sales Peggy Talbot ([PTPEG@aol.com](mailto:PTPEG@aol.com)) and Fran Hoden ([jfhodes13@gmail.com](mailto:jfhodes13@gmail.com)) co-chairs

The new iron-on the decals with the logo will be available at all the General Meetings. Cost is \$8.00 for the logo for dark or light shirts. \$3 for the flag or \$10 for both that you can iron on to any of the club shirts or any shirt of your own. I purchased a Heat Press machine for another purpose and will happily iron on your decal. Bring your shirt to the meeting and I'll get it done and back to you.

### Compassionate Care Pat Zeidman ([patriciazeidman@gmail.com](mailto:patriciazeidman@gmail.com))

If you know any members who are ill, having surgery or have suffered the loss of a loved one, please send an email to Pat as soon as you have information.

### Newsletters

Bill Shallbetter has added a link to the website with all the old newsletters from previous Commodores. It's really interesting to see how some things never change.

### Calendar

Destination Chairperson: Bob Purrone (239) 691-5850. [sanibelbob1@comcast.net](mailto:sanibelbob1@comcast.net) or Ed Wallach (954) 649-6791 [edwfla127@comcast.net](mailto:edwfla127@comcast.net) There have been revisions to the original schedule with many trips changed to Tuesdays or Thursdays. **AS ALWAYS, DATES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**  
**Please remember to respond promptly when you receive the notice and include your phone number!**

### SEPTEMBER

Thursday September 25<sup>th</sup> Beach Day and lunch at Venice Beach

### OCTOBER

Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup> \*\*GENERAL MEETING

Thursday October 9<sup>th</sup> Parrot Key

Monday, October 20<sup>th</sup> Junkanoo Below Deck

### NOVEMBER

Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup> Green Flash

### DECEMBER

Tuesday, December 9<sup>th</sup> Holiday Party-GENERAL MEETING-Cape Cabaret