

October 2023



The Beachcomber

*Hernando Beach
Property Owners
Association
Newsletter*

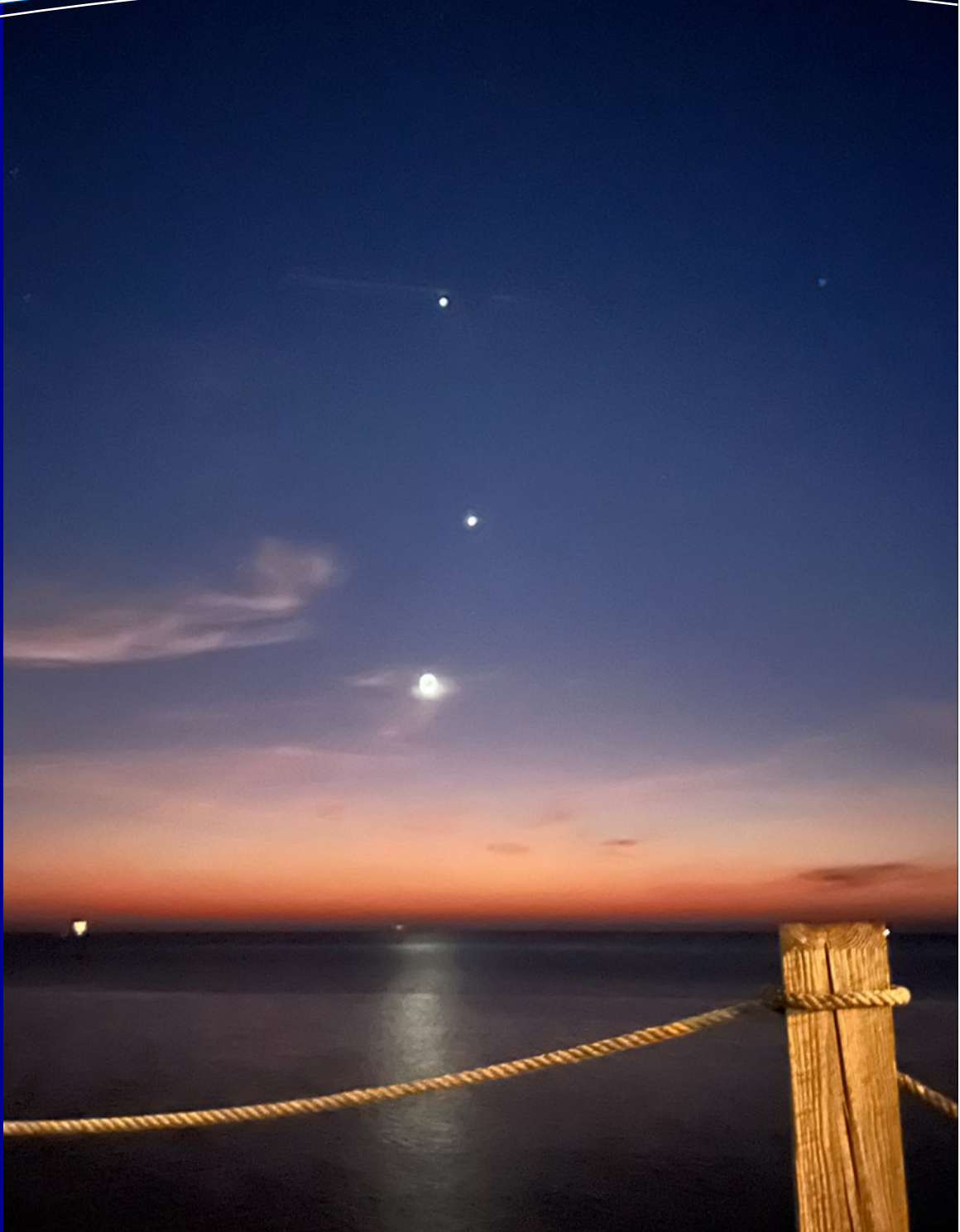
Our next meeting
will be held
**Thursday,
Oct. 5th, 2023
at 7:00pm**

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The end of August was not what I expected. We were excited about the Labor Day weekend, seeing friends and family. The end of August was an event to remember. However, our community demonstrated the good and came together to help one another. Hurricane Idalia traversed the Gulf of Mexico 100 miles offshore, her fury hit Hernando Beach with storm surge and winds. I spoke to many neighbors and members. We watched in person and via our security cameras as the water rose 6 inches then 18 and up to 36 inches. Then the power was shut off to prevent more damage from electrical shorts as water reached plugs and ground level appliances. Many homes were inundated with flood waters.

As the storm passed, the cleanup began and our local heroes organized efforts to coalesce volunteers and organizations to lend a helping hand. We have a great community, resilient and willing to help even when we ourselves need assistance. Thank you for your time and talents to help everyone get back on the road to normalcy – it's still a slog and will be slow going but help is still available. A special call out to Erin Daily and associates whose efforts with the United Cajun Navy to organize assistance to those in need, distribute essential items and always share a smile and positive outlook.

Our September 7<sup>th</sup> membership meeting was the event we needed to let off some stress, sharing time and food with our neighbors. Everyone brought delicious food to share and a positive attitude for the community despite our tribulations. We had some laughs, got informed about good things for the community in the future which in turn helped us focus on the positive amid so much to be distraught over. Over 65 members and guests enjoyed BBQ burgers, ribs, sides and desserts. Appreciative is the word I will use to describe everyone for that event.

Please review the minutes to the membership meeting. Of note, the Association will move forward with the Joe Wachs Memorial Christmas Light Fund. Joe Wachs was a member of our local VFW, HBPOA and Crime Watch. He babysat scallops for the University of Florida,

# The Beachcomber

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helped plant reef balls in the gulf for fish, collected trash for the International Coastal Cleanup and most importantly – singlehandedly managed, maintained and coordinated repairs to ensure Shoal Line was lit with the holiday spirit with festive lights to stir the soul and memories with joy. This fund is open for contributions. So many of you stepped forward to “adopt” a light with a \$75.00 contribution. We still have several available and need your commitment of \$75.00 to help pay for the restoration of the lights so they'll last for the next 20 years. We have a list available and will publish in this Beachcomber – pick your favorite and make it yours – first come, first served. Go to <https://hernandobeachpoa.com/> to get yours by clicking on the Christmas light to make your donation.

Please attend our October 5th Membership Meeting. Mr. John Allocco, Hernando County Commissioner, will be our guest speaker. Read his bio in this Beachcomber.

Bill Roberts – President,  
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# Hernando Beach Property Owners Association

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## HERNANDO BEACH PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION 2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION & RENEWAL FORM

HBPOA meetings are held the 1st Thursday of every month.  
Meetings are held at the HBYC - 4163 Shoal Line Blvd, the doors open at 6:30pm and meetings start at 7pm.

**Dues are \$35.00 annually and include the Beachcomber Newsletter mailed to you.**  
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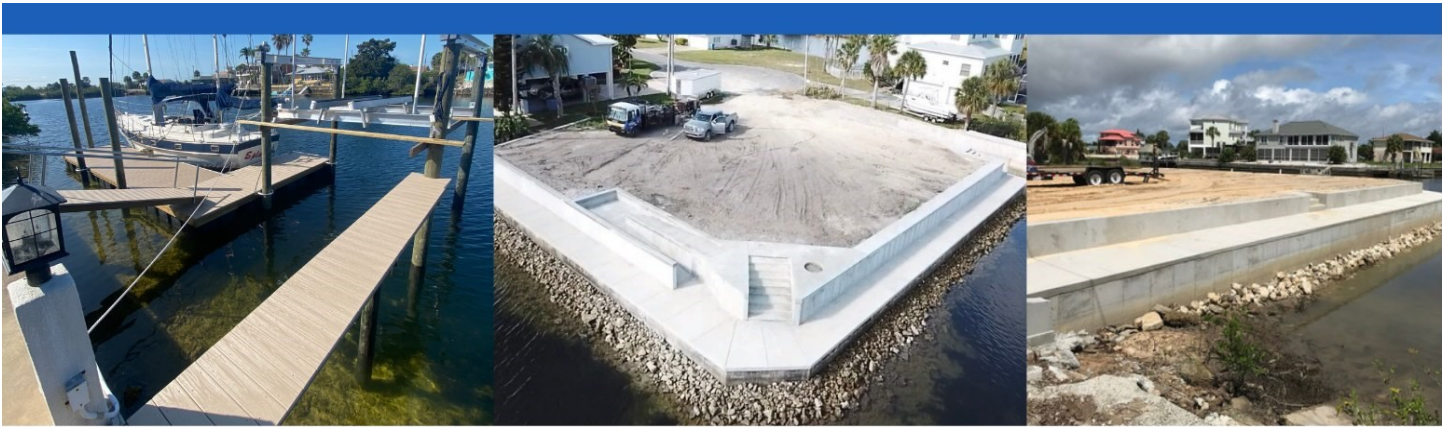
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COUNTY COMMISSIONER  
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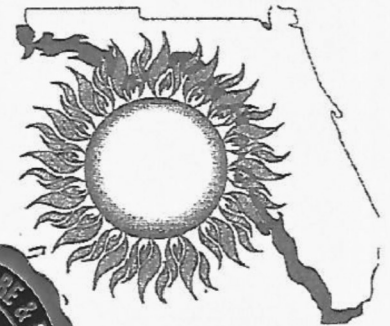


Born in Port Jefferson, N.Y., John Allocco moved to Florida in 1993 and came to Hernando County in 1999. Commissioner Allocco earned his bachelor's degree in exercise and sports sciences from the University of Florida, and his master's degree in physical therapy and post-graduate certification from the University of St. Augustine. John and his wife, Randi, co-founded a physical therapy company in 2006 that grew to

one Spring Hill and one Hudson clinic with a total of 15 employees in 2021. He and his wife, Randi, have two adult children, two daughters in college, and eight grandchildren. Commissioner Allocco was elected to the Board of County Commissioners in November 2016 and re-elected in 2020. He has served two times as Chairman. He has been active in several professional organizations in the fields of Physical Therapy and Real Estate, the Greater Hernando County Chamber of Commerce and is has served as the Vice-Chairman, Chairman, and currently State Committeeman of the Hernando County Republican Party. Early in his professional career, he volunteered as Certified Athletic Trainer for Springstead and Hernando High schools, providing Sports Medicine coverage for sports. John and his family are also active members at their local church. Commissioner Allocco's top priorities include smart economic growth, creating an environment that is favorable to attract new businesses and expand current businesses all while being fiscally responsible.

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**Hernando Beach Property Owners  
Association Inc.,  
Membership Meeting  
September 7, 2023**

Hernando Beach Yacht Club,  
4163 Shoal Line Blvd  
Hernando Beach, FL 34607

6:00pm – WELCOME BACK BBQ AND SOCIAL  
– BAR WILL CLOSE AT 7:00pm for Official Business

Please enjoy the food and friendship.

7:00pm – CALL TO ORDER

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Motion to adopt the agenda.
3. Motion to approve minutes from the last membership meeting as published in the August Beachcomber.

7:05pm – Beachcomber Advertiser Spotlight

- Buck Buchanan, owner of Lady Lake Duct Cleaning

7:25pm – BUSINESS MEETING

1. President Comments.
  - a. October 7th Front Porch Artwalk HBPOA Table – Volunteers needed.
  - b. Community resilience.
    - Other groups are helping like the United Cajun Navy – need donations.
  - c. Outreach and getting assistance. Membership Directory discussion.

**PRESENT:**

|                   |                |             |
|-------------------|----------------|-------------|
| Present           |                |             |
| Bill Robert       | President      | Present     |
| Joan Puls         | Vice President | Present     |
| Linda Tartaglione | Secretary      | Present     |
| Jen Brown         | Treasurer      | Present     |
| Chuck Greenwell   | Director       | Not Present |
| Scott Fitzgerald  | Director       | Present     |
| James Fournier    | Director       | Present     |
| Denis Polyn       | Director       | Present     |
| Bobbi Caccamisi   | Director       | Present     |

Got a quorum with 8 board members present.



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2. Membership consideration regarding a directory of HBPOA members.

- ◇PII, Personal Identifying information is kept confidential by the Association presently.
- ◇HBPOA could make an it option to be included in a membership only directory. Justification? New members can find and contact existing members, committee chairs can more easily build volunteer rosters.

Discussion:

- Keep it electronic – makes it more difficult to copy and release - slip into “oops”.
- Paper based? What does the Yacht Club do? They publish paper directory annually.
- Paper. Vs electronic directory? Great idea save trees, do it electronically,
- Make a database, password protected, on HBPOA website,
- Have hurricane info, and other pertinent information residents need.
- Presently, only the president and treasurer have ability to access the membership PII to

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use for rosters, emailing notifications.

Motion: Denis Polyn

“I move that the HBPOA create and distribute an electronic membership roster that contains, as requested by individual members, the full names, street address, phone numbers and emails addresses of all members who affirmatively opt-in (by email to the HBPOA containing the information to be included) to being listed in the membership roster.”

Second: Barbara Gossett

Vote: AYE. Passed!

### 3. Committee Reports.

#### a. Finance & Beachcomber.

- Starting balance: \$11,884.91
- Ending balance: \$12,353.96
- Beachcomber input for October edition is 10 September.
- Hernando Beach Life 2024 Calendar (Motion).
  - ◊Volunteers (2) needed to assist VP Puls securing HBPOA Calendar advertisers.
- Looking for committed presale orders from

membership, local businesses and community. WE NEED advertisers!

Membership voted for the pictures for the calendar – 47 photos submitted!

**31, 33, 43 had highest votes and among those three, # 31 was voted *Best Hernando Life Beach Calendar Photo* and will be on the cover. All others submitted will be on the inside.**

- Sales at \$15 each will help raise funds for the HBPOA Scholarship.
- Get enough advertisers to cover the cost of production.
- 30 people committed to buy one calendar at the September meeting – thanks!
- 2023/2024 HBPOA Scholarship Committee – Jennifer Brown is Chair, Carol Crane is on the team and we'd like 2 more people to help shepherd the program to a successful conclusion. Deadline- middle of March. Money will go directly to the school of choice identified by the student.
- Volunteers. Donna Acosta, Kathy Polyn. Thank you for selflessly volunteering for this

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**HERNANDO BEACH  
PROPERTY OWNERS  
ASSOCIATION  
MEMBERSHIP  
MEETING**

**OCTOBER 5TH**

**HB YACHT CLUB  
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effort to help our local students.

b. Hospitality.

- Thank you Diane Ziemski for your selfless service to the Association.
- June meeting – membership voted on motion by Mike Fulford to gather the information necessary to vote option 2 or option 3 for Christmas Holiday Party.
- Holiday Planning – (motion to vote for one of the options below).
  - ◊Option 2 – Formal catered dinner at the HBYC.
  - ◊Option 3 – Cocktails and heavy Hors d'Oeuvres at HBYC.
    - ◊Cost at HBYC. Table service, cleaning up.....70 people. \$30 a head.
- Discussion:
  - ◊Chicken and beef? We have Stan Prinston for music and dancing.
  - ◊Turkey dinner? Resounding NO.
  - ◊Motion to accept option two with a Chicken Dinner option.
  - ◊Second: Denis Polyn,
  - ◊Voted. All said AYE Passed.

c. Membership.

- November we'll be hosting our local realtor businesses that advertise in the Beachcomber and purchase first HBPOA membership for new residents.
- Nomination committee volunteers need to

call! Elections in November.

d. Landscape.

- No accidents since rumble strips were installed late May, early June
- Received an admission of claim from a May 2nd accident at Triangle. Coordinating and securing estimates for landscape repairs.
- Right of way discussion with the county has yet to occur.
- Shoal Line Blvd Christmas lights are 20 yrs old.... New cost \$675....\$375-\$800 each
- Refurbish....\$75 each light in memory of Joe Wachs Christmas Light Memorial Fund.
- Membership can buy one light at \$75 – we sold six already! We'll also ask Shoal Line Blvd business if they want to purchase one.

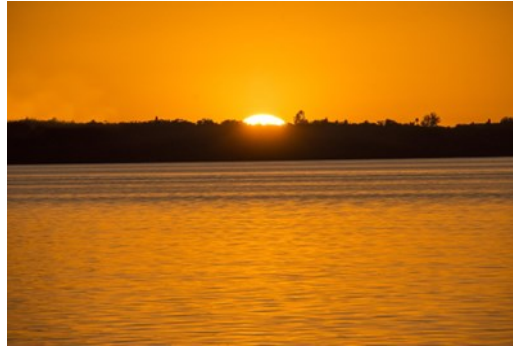
e. Government Affairs.

- June meeting – HBPOA send a Letter of Appreciation to Hernando County Waterways Sheriff team for their enforcement actions Memorial Day weekend and stopping a carjacking on Shoal Line Blvd.
- Recommendation - GAC write a letter of appreciation to our County Commissioner Brian Hawkins for his efforts to help Hernando Beach and Weeki Wachee communities get assistance recovering from hurricane Idalia.
- Motion: Write a card of appreciation for help with the hurricane.

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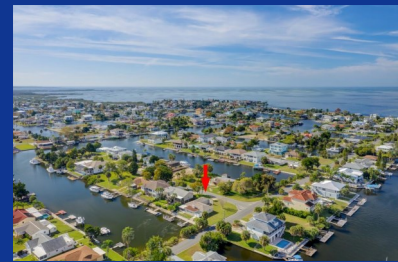




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# October 2023

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|-----|--------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----|---------------------------------------------|
| 1   | 2                                                | 3                                                 | 4                                            | 5<br>HBPOA<br>Membership<br>Meeting | 6   | 7<br>Front Porch Art<br>Walk 10am to<br>2pm |
| 8   | 9                                                | 10<br>Beachcomber<br>Deadline<br><br>BOCC Meeting | 11<br>HB Crime Watch<br>Meeting              | 12                                  | 13  | 14                                          |
| 15  | 16<br>US Coast Guard<br>Auxiliary Meeting<br>7pm | 17                                                | 18<br>Waterways<br>Advisory<br>Committee 6pm | 19                                  | 20  | 21                                          |
| 22  | 23                                               | 24<br>BOCC Meeting                                | 25                                           | 26                                  | 27  | 28                                          |
| 29  | 30                                               | 31                                                |                                              |                                     |     |                                             |

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- Second: Denis Polyn.
- Voted: passed.

**8:00pm – NEW BUSINESS**

1. Adopt a Road – HBPOA committed last meeting.

- We should see the signs on Shoal Line Blvd soon.
- Expect a call out to execute a clean-up next quarter.
- Gary Kirchner is your point of contact.

2. HBPOA is a Sponsor of the International Coastal Cleanup on 16 September 8am to 1pm.

- This is a widely advertised and participated event (high school credit).
- Measurable positive impact for the community.  
8am Saturday, Sept 16 morning at Linda Pederson Park

3. HBPOA Website is live.

- Modernized website and security (Go Daddy Package).
- Actively seeking vendors to supply our merchandise selection.

4. Member Comments.

October 14<sup>th</sup> is the return of the cardboard boat race. Please get in touch with Bill Jay – Manager at the Hernando Beach Marina. All donations and funds go to the Children’s Advocacy Program in Hernando County.

- Largest event in Hernando Beach. There will be food, vendors, artists and of course, cardboard boat races! Go to [hernandobeachmarina.com](http://hernandobeachmarina.com) for details.

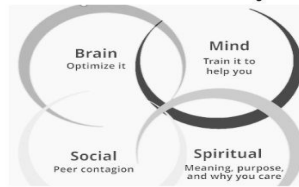
Regarding taking the Shoal Line Blvd Lights to Lawtey Florida – Barbara Gossett made a motion to reimburse the Roberts for gas expense for taking the lights and picking them up. Seconded and voted; passed, no dissents.

**8:30pm – NEXT MEETINGS:**

- Next meetings:
  - Oct 2, 2023, at HB Yacht Club 11:00am. Board Meeting.

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| Hernando Beach Club                            | 596-5878      |
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b. Oct 5, 2023, at HB Yacht Club 6:30pm.  
General Membership Meeting

- Our Guest Speaker is County Commissioner John Allocco (current Chairman).
- Volunteers for the HBPOA 2024 Slate nomination committee.

8:40m – CLOSING COMMENTS/

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

8:45pm – ADJOURN.

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8:50pm – HBPOA SOCIAL - BAR OPEN TILL ~  
9pm.

9:30pm – DEPART BUILDING.

Minutes provided by: Linda Tartaglione

## **SAVE THE DATE!** **HBPOA HOLIDAY DINNER**

I know it's a few months away, but it's time to save the date for our annual Hernando Beach Property Owners Association Holiday Dinner on December 7th. We have voted to have a change of venue and will celebrate at the Hernando Beach Yacht Club this year. Chef Susan and Bill Collepriest will prepare a delicious meal for us. During cocktail hour she will serve 3 different appetizers followed by a scrumptious sit-down dinner. Two different options are available: prime rib or chicken for entree. Along with our entree will be rolls & butter, salad, mashed potato with gravy, seasoned vegetables finished with dessert & coffee. The famous Stan Preston will be our entertainment for the evening. The cost will be \$30.00 per person of which a portion will go to our scholarship fund. Please save the date and look for your official invite coming in November.

- Patty Roberts



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## HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

Hello Hernando Beach,

What a great HBPOA meeting we enjoyed to greet September. July and August brought vacation time for your HBPOA Board and members so we were ready to get going again.

It was gratifying to see so many members present for our "September BBQ" kick off meeting. Many of our members were deeply affected by Idalia so it was a great time for a change of scenery from our flood issues, share camaraderie, swap stories, and enjoy an informative meeting. And, of course we would be remiss if we did not acknowledge all the wonderful dishes provided by our members along with our resident chefs who provided burgers and ribs.

President Bill brought us up to date on the accomplishments of HBPOA this year. Our calendar photos were chosen and we are looking forward to a festive Holiday Party. More as plans are cemented. Also, this year HBPOA now has a scholarship committee.

It is always the pleasure of your Hospitality/Membership team to greet you at each meeting and answer your questions. We have had a few new members since our return and we welcome them. We hope to fill the room again at the Yacht Club in October.

October is the month in which we think of fall leaves, halloween, sweaters, and cooler weather. We here in Florida must remember that hurricane season is still active until the end of November.

October holidays of note:

- October 1st - International Music Day
- October 5th - World Teacher's Day (Let's honor them)
- October 10th - Columbus Day
- October 28th - National First Responder's Day (Say thank You)
- October 31st - Halloween(BOO!)

Until November!

- Judith Hughes

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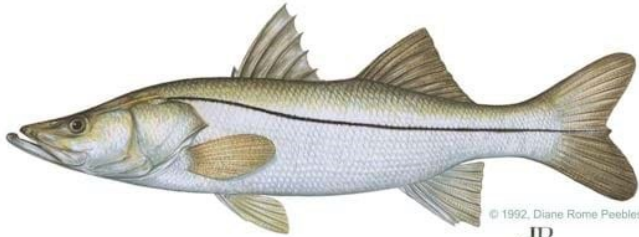
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- Large mouth with a protruding lower jaw
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| FWC Florida Wildlife - General | (863)648-3200 |
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| Manatee hotline (FWC) | (888)404-3922 |
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| Sawfish Sightings (FWC) | (941)255-7403 |
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| Sea turtle rescue (FWC) | (863)648-3200 |
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| Reptiles and Exotics Rescue | (352)403-4255 |
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| Wildlife Rescue – Owl's Nest Sanctuary | (813)598-5926 |
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| Wildlife Rescue HB Area | (813)598-5926 |
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| Horseshoe Crab Sightings | (866)252-9326 |
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| Humane Society of Nature Coast | (352)796-2711 |
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| Dogs – Report Illegal Dog Fighting | (800)780-8477 |
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larger than other snook species.

### Habitat

Inshore in coastal waters, including mangrove shorelines, seagrass beds, beaches and around structure.

### Behavior

Begin life as males, but between 18 and 22 inches long some become females. Form schools during spawning season.

Feed on fish and large crustaceans.

Cannot tolerate water temperatures below 60° F.

Can tolerate freshwater.

### Additional Information

**State Record:** 45 lbs 12 oz, caught near Sebastian

**Fishing Tips and Facts:** They orient themselves to face moving water and wait for prey to be carried down the current. Snook jump clear of the water, and burst into long runs. Use live pinfish, small mullet, shrimp, or sardines free-lined or fished off the bottom with a fish finder rig. They take a large variety of lures based on water con-

ditions. Beware of the snook's razor-sharp gill covers! Snook make excellent table fare.

## HERNANDO BEACH CRIME WATCH MEMBERS NEEDED!

In Hernando Beach, our wonderful community is fortunate enough to have a Neighborhood Crime Watch program. Currently, of the 2,200+ Hernando Beach residents, there are only about 20 active Crime Watch members. In order to continue to operate efficiently and effectively, we are in need of more Crime Watch volunteers! Volunteers are needed in order to carry out our mission of patrolling the streets and being the 'eyes and ears' of our community!

The Hernando Beach Crime Watch Association meets at 6pm on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Coastguard Auxiliary Building at 4340 Calienta St. Members must be at least 18 years of age. There are NO annual dues or membership fees, and all that's required are a couple

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of hours of your spare time each week to help patrol the area or ride along during our neighborhood crime watches.

If patrolling isn't your style, that's ok too. You can simply become a proud member to help us run our program. Statistics have shown that active crime watch programs are a proven deterrent to potential crime and mischievous behavior. Please don't allow our (or YOUR!) neighborhood Crime Watch to be placed in jeopardy of being disbanded due to a lack of interest or participation.

IT'S YOUR COMMUNITY! Get involved, spread the word to your neighbors and let's all help protect our families, our investments, and our neighborhood! Join our Crime Watch! Application form for Crime Watch membership is on the Sheriffs web:

<https://hernandosheriffvolunteer.applicantstack.com/x/apply/a2w5nvj3m6ai>

Sincerely, Frank Virginia  
Member, Hernando Beach Crime Watch Association

## Hernando Beach, Rocky Creek, Little Pine I. Bay, Florida, October 2023

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| 4    | Wed  | 4:36  | 3.5 | 6:29  | 2.6 | 12:13 | 1.5  | 1:13  | 0.2  | 7:25 | 7:15 | ☉ |
| 5    | Thu  | 5:14  | 3.4 | 7:25  | 2.4 | 12:47 | 1.6  | 2:02  | 0.4  | 7:26 | 7:14 | ☉ |
| 6    | Fri  | 5:59  | 3.2 | 8:39  | 2.3 | 1:27  | 1.8  | 3:01  | 0.6  | 7:26 | 7:13 | ☉ |
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| 8    | Sun  | 8:22  | 2.8 | 11:10 | 2.4 | 3:50  | 1.9  | 5:39  | 0.9  | 7:27 | 7:11 | ☉ |
| 9    | Mon  | 10:04 | 2.8 | 11:55 | 2.6 | 5:27  | 1.8  | 6:44  | 0.9  | 7:28 | 7:10 | ☉ |
| 10   | Tue  | 11:22 | 2.9 |       |     | 6:40  | 1.5  | 7:34  | 0.8  | 7:29 | 7:09 | ☉ |
| 11   | Wed  | 12:30 | 2.7 | 12:21 | 3.0 | 7:35  | 1.2  | 8:13  | 0.8  | 7:29 | 7:07 | ☉ |
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| 24   | Tue  | 9:58  | 3.0 | 11:35 | 2.7 | 5:21  | 1.5  | 6:24  | 0.5  | 7:37 | 6:54 | ☉ |
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| 27   | Fri  | 12:46 | 3.1 | 1:30  | 3.3 | 8:28  | 0.2  | 8:51  | 0.8  | 7:40 | 6:51 | ☉ |
| 28   | Sat  | 1:18  | 3.3 | 2:21  | 3.3 | 9:16  | -0.2 | 9:28  | 1.0  | 7:40 | 6:51 | ☉ |
| 29   | Sun  | 1:49  | 3.4 | 3:09  | 3.2 | 10:00 | -0.4 | 10:02 | 1.1  | 7:41 | 6:50 | ☉ |
| 30   | Mon  | 2:19  | 3.5 | 3:54  | 3.0 | 10:41 | -0.5 | 10:36 | 1.3  | 7:42 | 6:49 | ☉ |
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