



PONTOON YACHT CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Happy May Birthdays



10 Birthdays this month

**Hope it's a
great day!**

- May 4 Bob Noffsinger
- May 6 Mary Jo Williams
- May 9 Betty Lou Pearce
- May 10 Dan Vincent
- May 12 John Mest
- May 15 Leo Reuter
- May 20 Shirley Coutu
- May 23 Terry Weaver
- May 24 Cathy Green Banta
- May 25 Joan Scott

Commodore's May 2022 Comments - Jim Clarke

Hello fellow PYCers.



I am writing this on Saturday prior to leaving for Astor on Monday. For those of you that did not sign up to go on this outing, you are going to miss a great cruise and many good times. For our Homosassa outing, in the first part of October, I would suggest that if you do not have a trailer to bring your own boat, please talk to some of your fellow club members, that are going, and ask if you could go with them. Every trailered outing we have many people partner up with other members so more of us can go. Please think about going on our Homosassa Cruise in October.

Our Easter Bonnet event at the Fish Camp was a very good outing. Please read the rear commodores report for details.

We are doing well for attracting new members. Again, I want to thank all of you for helping to share our club story with the pontooners you see.

I will have more to talk about in the next newsletter about our trip to the St. Johns River and our stay at the Castaways.

I want to report the board's decision to join the Tavares Chamber of Commerce is resulting in many inquiries about our club. Our Vice Commodore, Cheryl Rhoads, will give you more details on the program.

There will be a PYC Board Meeting May 19, 2022 at 1:00 pm. The meeting will be held at the Fox Run Community Club House, 440 Fox Run Boulevard, Tavares, Florida 32778. I am asking all Board Members to please attend this meeting. Thanks y'all, I'll see you on the water. Commodore Jim

Vice Commodore Report – Cheryl Rhoads

Welcome Debi

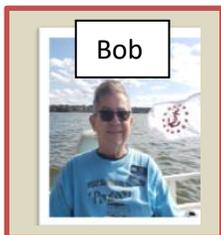


April was another great month with our newest members Debi Baker and Tom and Mary Jo Williams. Please make sure to introduce yourself to them at our next outing on Thursday, May 12th if you have not already met them.

Welcome Tom & Mary Jo



Rear Commodore Report – Bob Banta



Our Thursday, April 14th – Easter Hat Contest at Fish Camp had 39 in attendance and 4 boats. GREAT JOB–HATS OFF TO THE HOSTS Brown's & Mest's!

In the first 7 events of the year, we have had some outstanding attendees. Members with perfect attendance record for all 7 outings include the following (in alphabetical order): Bob & Cathy Banta; Virginia Calven; Jim & Carol Clarke; Joe Comastra and Lorraine Wiersma. Those who have attended 6 out of 7 outings include: Richard & Cookie Brown; John & Elaine Mest; Gary Rhoads; and Scott Smith. Congratulations to these committed members. **At least 43 people attended throughout the week at Castaways, April 26-28th event. See page 6 for more details.**

First May Outing - A PYC Picnic Gilbert Park, 310 South Tremaine Street, Mt. Dora 32757

Thursday, May 12, 2022
Gilbert Park, Mount Dora



Hosts: John & Cindy Kindinger
Mike & Bonnie Wells

John & Cindy Kindinger



Raft Up 10:45 – 11:00 Lake Dora side of Dora Canal
Social Time 11:30 Lunch 12:00ish

We'll be serving hamburgers and hot dogs right off the grill along with beans and coleslaw. All condiments along with plates, napkins, plastic ware will be provided. All you need to bring is your beverage of choice. No alcohol is allowed at the park.

All this for the cost of \$10 per person and due to Carol Clarke (3542 Manatee Rd., Tavares, FL 32778) by Monday, May 9th.

For those coming by boat, if you dock to the right of the lighthouse, it's a shorter walk to Pavilion 2.

Mike & Bonnie Wells



Second May Outing "Memories of Past Memorial Days."

Fish Camp

Fish Camp Lake Eustis
901 Lakeshore Blvd.,
Tavares

Order off the Menu
Thursday, May 26th

Host: Gary & Cheryl Rhoads



Co Host: Al & Diane Allen



As we celebrate Memorial Day this week and remember our veterans, we'll be having a flashback to some memories of our previous US conflicts. Lunch will be on your own at Fish Camp. Please RSVP to cherylroads1@gmail.com by Sunday, May 22nd or by phone (954)802-0250.

Hosts were: Richard & Cookie Brown
Co-Hosts were: John & Elaine Mest



What a terrific event.

50/50 drawing,

Guessing how many jelly beans in a jar

Playing poker by table

Easter hat contest

Great food!

So much happening and a lot of comrodare!

What a good time was there to be had by all!



Guess whose hat? Hint, look to the right and down.



Whose hat was this one? No hint but she gave her pretty hat to the waitress that wanted it



Winner
Carol
230 Jelly
Beans in
the Jar...



Our Easter Hat
Contest Winner, Jane





50/50 Ticket Winners were the Byczek's (2) and the Banta/Clarke boat (1) (3) \$15 prizes.

Jelly Bean Count Winner was Carol Clarke – Candy Basket

Poker table winners were: Kay, Terry, Karl, Bob and Cathy - Candy



Four boats convoyed together Monday, 4/25 to Astor where we assisted each other in unpacking the fun for the week.

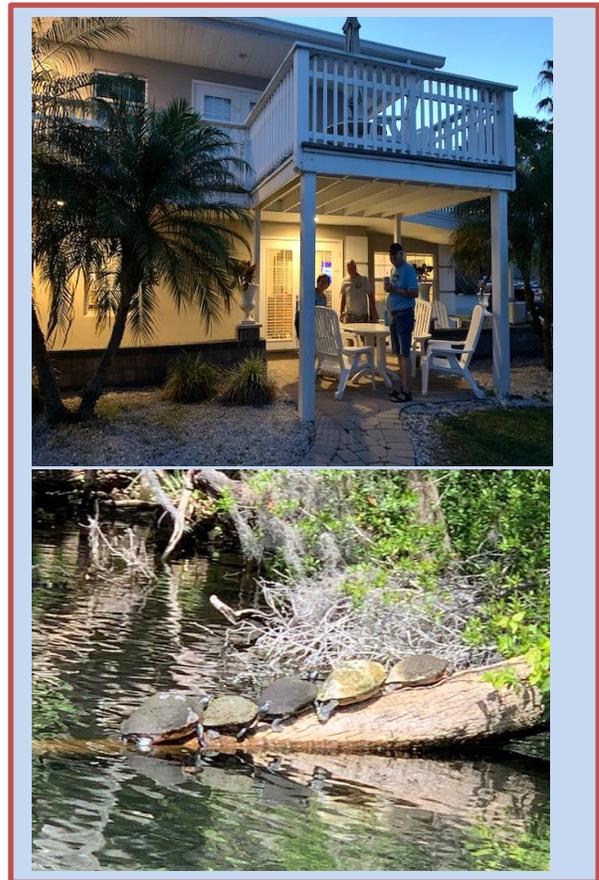
Tuesday, we took a short boat ride up the river to acclimate ourselves to the river and prepare for the PYC event, **an additional 4 boats arrived Tuesday** for a total of 8 boats, with guests. We had **at least 43 people throughout the week**.

Tuesday evening we had a **BBQ where we had at least 30 people** and everyone brought a dish to share, great time for all who attended.

Wednesday we were off to Silver Glen Springs and received a surprise visit by 2 jets doing a low **fly over our 8 boats**; Lake George has a bombing run for the Air Force. We spent an hour at the springs, had lunch, the water felt warmer than the previous time I was at Silver Glen. On the return trip to Astor, some boats went down Blue Creek led by new members, Tom & Mary Jo. I heard that was a very nice trip. I will be taking that trip before we leave.

Thursday was our trip to De Leon Spring and the Old Sugar Mill restaurant, a windy trip but amazed by all the water around the St. John's River and lakes connected with the river. We kind of overwhelmed the restaurant but they accommodated us. The trip back to Astor felt less windy because we were traveling with the wind.

Our evenings were spent sitting on the boats because they were so comfortable and on the St. John's, it was great to get to know everyone who attended, I know I made new friends.



..... COMING ATTRACTIONS – Make Your Plans

ROAD TRIP TO HOMOSASSA, FLORIDA

OCTOBER 11-14, 2022

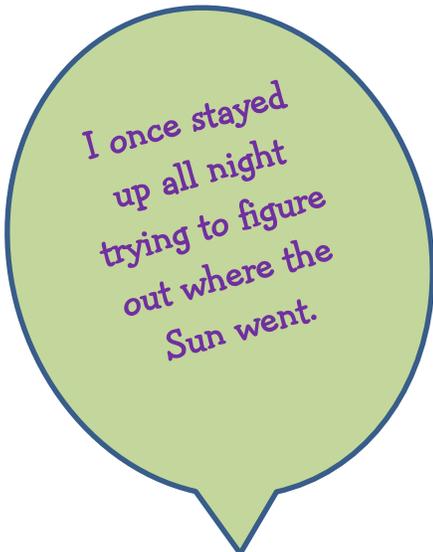
Terry & Kay and Butch & Merrilyn are hosting a three-night trip to the Homosassa River staying at Florida Cracker Riverside Resort www.floridacrackerriversideresort.com (352) 628-2474. We leave on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 and come home on Friday, October 14, 2022. Our plans are to leave from the old Lake Square Mall parking lot at 9:30 A.M. on Tuesday, October 11th . It’s about one hour and 15 minutes to Homosassa. We will launch our boats and plan to go to lunch by water to a local waterfront restaurant.

Rooms may or may not be ready when we arrive. Room rates vary from \$105 standard hotel room per night off the water to riverview or waterfront one bedroom with full kitchen from \$135 to \$150. If you have trouble with stairs, be sure you reserve a first floor room. If you plan to eat in, upgrade to a unit with full kitchen. There is a new restaurant on property for breakfast and lunch. There are many waterfront restaurants nearby.

We will make several runs out to the Gulf of Mexico and we will also be going inland to the Springs. If there is enough interest, we can set up a group airboat ride. (SUPER FUN!).

It is \$30 per day for boat launch, slip rent and trailer parking. Rental boats are available. Make your reservation now! Call (352) 628-2474 and let them know you are with the PYC Boat Club to receive our special hotel rates. There is no room deposit. You must cancel 72 hours before arrival or you will be charged for one day room rate. We are looking forward to spending time with you on the Homosassa River!

Terry, Kay, Butch & Merrilyn



Sunshine Chair Report

Virginia Calven



One card sent out the month of April to: Dan Vincent.

If anyone would like the PYC to send a get-well card to an ill member, please contact: Virginia Calven at 906-484-3478

A Look Back in Time by Kay Weaver, Historian

On January 24, 2004, PYC had their Chili Cook-off at the Triangle Boat Club. Our members filled one table with quite a

variety of amazing chili. Even though it was a chilly day in January, we had seven boats and 76 people converge on the Triangle Boat Club and we were able to seat everyone inside the building! We had a lot of Ohio residents who created a little more noise than the rest of the people! Members were encouraged by Terry Weaver to make



their reservation at Blair's Jungle Den in Astor for our upcoming boat trip on April 15, 2004 to the St. John's River. At that time, we had eight boats going on this trip.

Kay Weaver, Past Historian

On the next page you will find the current "PYC Outing Schedule".

One spot left Open Date: 2nd Outing in July

Every member needs to sign up to host an event. If possible, schedule restaurant events on a weekday (preferably Thursday).

Please submit PYC Outing Information Form to the:

Commodore Jim: jclarke529@gmail.com and Treasurer Carol: carolclarke4@gmail.com

Every member needs to sign up to host an event. Use the attached calendar to choose the exact date. If possible, schedule restaurant events on a weekday (preferably Thursday).

As of 5/1/22

Date	Exact Day	Form	Outing Description & Location	Host 1	Host 2
Jan 13 Thursday	13		Crazy Gator	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Leo & Harriet Reuter
January 26 Wednesday	26		Boondocks	Butch and Merrilyn Karrels	Jim Stewart and Kelly Hudson
February 10 Thursday	10		Puddle Jumpers	Joe Comastra Lorraine Wiersma	George and Judi McCord
February 26 Saturday	26		George Fest Parade	Bob and Bettie Nebergall	
March 10 Thursday	10		St. Patrick's Day	Dan and Sharon Vincent	
March 24 Thursday	24		1 st Annual Pot Luck	Jim and Betty Lou Pearce	Steve and Sue Roeske
April 14 Thursday	14		Fish Camp	Richard and Cookie Brown	John and Elaine Mest
April 26-28 Tue-Thur	26-28		Castaways on the St. Johns River	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels	Terry & Kay Weaver
May 12 Thursday	12		Picnic	John & Cindy Kindinger	Mike & Bonnie Wells
May 26 Thursday	26		Fish Camp	Gary and Cheryl Rhoads	Al and Diane Allen
June 9 Thursday	9		Hurricanes	John Gancar & Shelley McGarry	Ray and Jeri Tallman
June 23 Thursday	23		TBD	Jim and Carol Clarke	
July 7 Thursday	7		TBD	David and Jay Asaibene	
Second Outing in July					
August 11 Thursday	11		Sunset Cruise	Bob and Cathy Banta	John and Elaine Mest
August 25 Thursday	25		Lake Harris Hideaway	Virginia Calven	Carol Clarke
September	8 or 10		TBD	Carl and Joan Scott	Scott and Lorraine Smith
September 24 Saturday	24		Poker Run	Jim & Carol Clarke	Bob & Cathy Banta Virginia Calven
First Outing in October	11-13		Homosassa River	Terry & Kay Weaver	Butch & Merrilyn Karrels
Second outing in October	27 or 29		Ski Restaurant – Leesburg	Vik & Elizabeth Kapoor	Bob and Nancy Noffsinger
November 12th			Thanksgiving	Angela Brown Tim Hill	Lorraine Wiersma Joe Comastra
December 10th			Christmas	John and Cindy Kindinger	