

From the Crow's Nest...



It seems that most, if not all, of our members came through Tropical Storm Debby relatively unscathed.

Of course, with all of the County Code Enforcement folks prowling through our neighborhoods (Sea Ranch in particular) in search of code violations, boats/trailers in driveways in particular, some of us, even including your humble Fleet Captain, experienced other tales of woe with various nastygrams indicating we were in violation of one ordinance or another. Last evening I attended the SRCA meeting with our County Commissioner, Jack Mariano, in attendance. Suffice it to say there was no shortage of opinion, mostly negative, regarding Code Enforcements effort!

And there was no shortage of "suggestions"! Jack indicated that he will pursue the possibility of modifying the ordinances for the waterfront, boating neighborhoods. The subject of Dredging also came up. Apparently there exists roughly 11M\$ in the BP Oil Spill fund, some of which could be used for dredging local channels and/or canals. Some of our younger members may actually still be alive when and if this comes to fruition. A word to the wise..."Don't hold your breath"!

The Scattering of Ashes for longtime members Tom and Jane Sperry on July 20th of last month went off without a hitch. Our club Chaplain, Dennis Stowe, had the whole Sperry family aboard his center console, and did a wonderful blessing as the ashes were scattered into the Gulf, per the Sperry's last wishes. And we had a very respectable turnout of boats to circle and drop flowers. Afterward, there was a nice Celebration of Life at the SRCA clubhouse, with a very good showing of past and current members attending. The Sperry family was exceptionally pleased, and I would like to offer my personal thanks to all who participated.

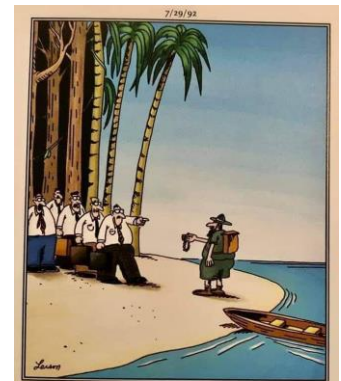
So, we have a potential cruise coming up for the Labor Day weekend, with several folks having expressed interest in participating. Instead of having a formal cruise plan, we'll develop one ad hoc depending on the wishes and availability of the cruisers. If you signed up, I will be contacting you soon, if you did not sign up but are interested please contact me so that you can be included.



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Fleet Captain

P.S. If you kept up with the news lately, you may have learned of the arrest of the Mexican cartel drug lord "El Mayo". I have it on good authority that his nickname has absolutely nothing to do with "Cinco de Mayo". I guess he just happens to like mayonnaise!



Wellington held out some beads and other trinkets, but the islanders had sent their fiercest lawyers—some of whom were chanting, "Sue him! Sue him!"