



St Lucie Sailing Club

The Log - April 2020

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From the Acting Commodore:



I would like to start by mentioning that this is only a temporary position while Larry Bryant, the Commodore, takes a leave of absence that he informed the Bridge about last week. We hope to see him back in place within the next couple of months.

As you are well aware, the Coronavirus has made a big impact on the USA, and Florida has not been immune to its effects. Martin County and the rest of the Treasure Coast beaches, marinas, and boat ramps have been closed. We have been lucky here where most of the SLSC boats are located. This was made clear with magnificent turn out for the Don Ellis Regatta on the North Fork of the St Lucie River this past Saturday. With **George and Betty Treiber's** *Cheshire Cat* acting again as the Committee Boat. A big cheer needs to go out to **Mike Brescher** for organizing such a good race for the eleven boats that started. A number of the crews declined to attend the after-race party, but Mike informed us it was still attended by some at the Sailors Return Restaurant. Hopefully, the weekly Beer Can races will continue.

The S & M at Mario's Restaurant in Stuart, arranged by **Linda Magda**, was attended by thirty members and guests. That's the good news. The bad news is that until we are given the all clear by the State and County officials, our S & M events which are usually well attended, have been put on hold. This is also the same for our monthly meetings. Our new meeting place, the Unitarian Universalist Church, has cancelled all services and meetings due to the virus. We are looking into seeing if we are able to get a speaker to make a video to share with our members instead.

At the Bridge meeting last night, the security of member information was brought up, and the web master and those with the ability to send emails to members, have been informed they are to be more vigilant in what they send out. I remind you all to make sure when replying *NOT to Reply All* when corresponding with the sender of the message you wish to respond to.

James Arthur

Racing Scuttlebutt

Mike Brescher, Race Captain



The Don Ellis Memorial Regatta was sailed on March 21 in the North Fork of the St. Lucie River. The winds were calm up to about a half-hour before the start. It seemed like the wind was waiting for the start count down when it started to blow at seven knots with gusts to ten knots out of the southeast. You *could not* have asked for better sailing weather. We had a great turnout of eleven boats, which was one of the highest number of boats we have had in years! With the perfect weather, the fleet spread out in groups, giving everyone good competition. The winds stayed perfect all day. We had a nice group for the After-Race party at Sailor's Return.



The Trophies were given out to the fastest boats, but I believe that the boat that received the best reward was *Cuzin* because **Chris Cusimano** and crew were enjoying the weather so much that they stayed out on the course the longest.

I would like to thank **George and Betty Treiber, Katherine Neurohr, Tom Mestrts, Camille Galindo, Art Quarnstrom, Cary Kantor**, and two out-of-town guests on the committee boat *Cheshire Cat* for making this race possible in these confusing times. We felt that we were able to get off this world and let it spin while we enjoyed and appreciated our paradise and healthy sport of sailing.

The Finishers are:

Cruising J&M Fleet are:



1 st	<i>Shoo Fly</i>	Steve & Nancy Pickuet at (E) 1:52:20, (C) 1:28:11
2 nd	<i>Sloop John B</i>	Mike Diamond at (E) 1:57:18 (C) 1:32:27
3 rd	<i>Last Word</i>	Darren Kirtland at (E) 1:54:54 (C) 1:33:54
4 th	<i>Angelina</i>	Orlando Milian at (E) 1:52:04 (C) 1:36:19
5 th	<i>Sailsman</i>	Jesse Jagoda at (E) 1:58:10 (C) 1:37:52
6 th	<i>My Weigh</i>	Jack Molinelli at (E) 2:07:54 (C) 1:50:10
7 th	<i>Salty Dogs</i>	Steve Weinstein at (E) 2:16:17 (C) 1:51:47
8 th	<i>Wild Rice</i>	Asta Poirer and Richard Rice at (E) 2:15: 37 (C) 1:53:47
9 th	<i>Voyager</i>	Joe Sawyer at (E) 2:20:31 (C) 1:54:16
10 th	<i>Cuzin</i>	Chris Cusimano at (E) 2:35:58 (C) 2:09:43
11 th	<i>Wind Angel</i>	Eric Lisbin at DNF

SLSC Upcoming Events

"On the Radar Screen"

Stuff happens: check your emails



- Apr 6 Six Pack Race
- Apr 18 Spring Fling Regatta
- Apr 21 Bridge Meeting
- Apr 25 Miami/Key Largo Race
- May 2 Six Pack Race
- May 4 Monthly Meeting
- May 9 Cruise to Peck Lake
- May 14 S&M
- May 16-17 Cerulean Cup
- May 19 Bridge Meeting



The view of the inlet from a Piper Cub
Jacqui Thurlow-Lippisch

Social Scuttlebutt

Linda Magda, Social Captain

Obviously, all of our social activities are on hold for the moment. Once the "all clear" has sounded, we'll get going again. Keep checking your email. Once it's safe, we'll head out again, maybe quickly. I suspect that every restaurant in the area will be anxious for the business! That, and we'll all be ready for a change of scenery! Be safe.



SLSC Facebook

Lynn Morgan and Jan Cusimano
Publicity Directors



New Communication Tool for Members

We have an exciting new way to communicate with other SLSC members. A new Facebook group has been created. This group is private and is limited only to members of the Club. The objective of this group will be to allow members to interact and communicate about all things sailing.



Perhaps you are in need of a recommendation for boat repair. Perhaps you have an urgent need for crew on short notice. This page can be used for anything related to sailing. It is a great place to share your photos of events, races and anything sailing related. Maybe you just want to show off a new navigation system or provide a tip. The club can also broadcast communications from the Bridge such as changes of events, announcements, and exclusive member discounts.

Just like the original Facebook, you will be notified of new posts as soon as they go out. We hope that you will enjoy this interactive site and share your insight and sailing knowledge.

What about the current Facebook page?

The objective of the public SLSC Facebook page will continue to be dissemination of information about the Club to the general public and to recruit new members.

The wonderful photos that Jay and Annie Seeley take will mostly be posted on the new private page. A few of them will be posted on the public page, so that people can see how much fun we have!

We will discuss this further at the next meeting, but since we don't know when that will be, we wanted you to be able to start taking advantage of the new page now. All you have to do to become a member of the private page is to type the name of the group into Facebook's search bar and ask to join. If you are a member of the Club, you will be approved.

The name of the new private group is "**Sailing the Treasure Coast with SLSC**". Anyone who is a member of this group can create posts. You'll see that there is a link to the SLSC Matchup at the top of the posts.

If you have any questions or need assistance, just email either of us, and we will be happy to assist you.

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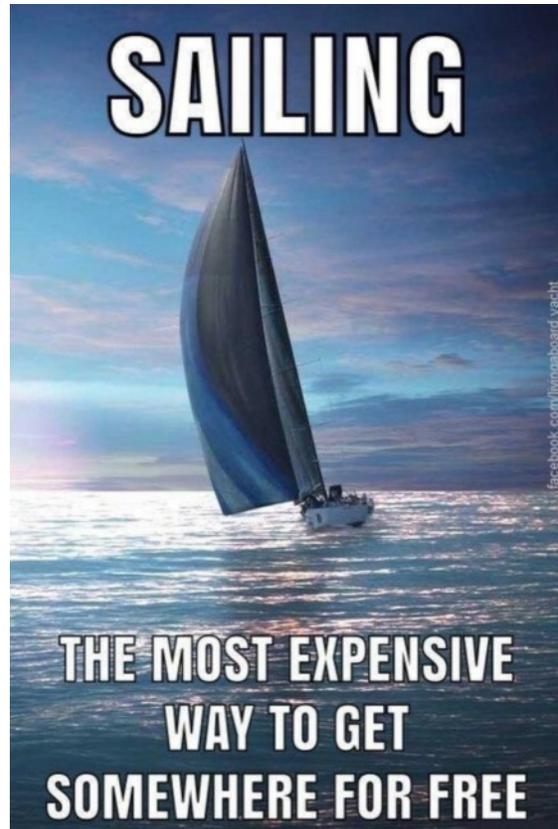
Lynn Morgan

Janis Cusimano

Paul Loschiavo

Karen Twiss

Joe Sawyer



Elderly is a Bad Word

Connie Bischoff

Sailing is an ageless sport, which is especially true for the 2020 Bacardi Cup Invitational Regatta where we have sailors ranging in age up to their seventies. In the Star Class, there are seven Exulted Grand Masters racing, who are all over 70.

The are also known as Exhausted Grand Masters, won by Denmark's Frank Berg sailing with Marcell Beltz, finishing 34th place overall out of 64 Stars. Open windfoil sailor John Hokanson is not sailing in this regatta but claims that he had a great time, learned a lot and will return. He is 76!

Every sailing regatta has people (known as former sailors) who love the sport so much that they still participate by running the events and judging the official rules well into their 80s. They serve on the water in Race Committee boats and in the Protest Room, where their sailing experience is invaluable.

Keep in mind that there are NO sailors who are Elderly. We have banned this term. Instead we can refer to them as sophisticated, mature, seasoned, and experienced... all good attributes for sailors.

(Editors note: This was forwarded by a member of SLSC. Though I kept the article... I lost the name of the contributor. My apologies. It was an excellent piece, nonetheless. PL)