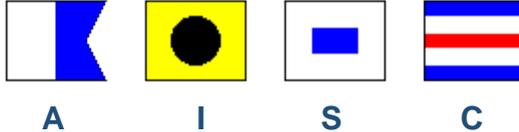


SCUTTLEBUTT



FROM THE HELM



Commodore – Tom Maguire

Welcome to 2018, Part Two!

The winds and weather haven't been kind for sailing lately, typical of July here on Amelia Island; so, we're hoping for a quick improvement to that and a quiet season in the Tropics. Attempts to hold a race in July didn't work out but we did manage to get a shortened race in June.

On the positive side since our last issue of Scuttlebutt, we had a great day of scalloping in late June ending with a low country boil expertly prepared by Charlie's family in Steinhatchee. And the result of the day's scalloping efforts, shown in the photo, were cooked in a special recipe by Jim Veilleux that got rave reviews.



We also got to welcome several new members joining in the middle of the year and look forward to seeing them at our upcoming planned activities.

River sampling continues each month. Although the samples we are collecting at the mouths of several creeks and rivers leading from the Amelia and St. Mary's Rivers are (thankfully) not showing signs of elevated bacteria, those background values are useful for comparing to the readings found in some of the shoreline locations that are elevated. And, what a great reason to be out on the water!



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Next race is planned for August 18th. We'll follow that up with an after-race review at the American Legion.

And, the following week on the 23rd, hope to see many of you at Ichetucknee Springs for tubing down the river. Had a great time there last year – tough to come up with something more pleasant than drifting along in the natural setting of Ichetucknee State Park.



Still hoping for a cruise somewhere (Cumberland, Jeckyll, St. Augustine?), more races, a dock party, Christmas decorated boat parade (?) and lots more of 2018 still ahead of us!



**Vice Commodores –
Craig & Toni Rowdon**



Its Toni again this month!

I've come to the understanding that our AISC is a sweet community that cares for each other. We all have different strengths and weaknesses... and that's great because like any partnership: "IF we were both the same, one of us would be unnecessary".

I appreciate that we all love the water: whether we are in it, on it or just drinking it!

As we face the "Dog Days of Summer": enjoy the water and each other!



Rear Commodore – Ed Spang



Sailing Buddies Introduction

Web site: ameliaislandsailingclub.wildapricot.org

There is a new page that has been added to the AISC web site entitled *Sailing Buddies*. The purpose of the page is to allow members to declare their sailing interest with other members as well as to find other members with a common sailing interest. There are new data fields in the database which allow members to specify if they want to crew, are looking for crew, or just want to be out on the water and will crew or captain. Once fields are populated most members will look for members wanting to sail and be able to get their contact information.

New AISC Membership Fields

If you look at the fields in the member data record you will find two new fields, Sailing Interest and Sailing Experience.

Sailing Interest will allow you to enter Crew, Looking for Crew or Captain or Crew.

Sailing Experience allows you to let others know your experience level in order to provide a better match up for sailing.

How To Enter Data Into Membership Fields

The information used in Sailing Buddies is protected information just like your member profile. Therefore it is password protected and you need to login.

To enter the data for Sailing Buddies you need to:

1. Login in to the web site
2. Click on your name at the top right
3. Click on edit to change your profile
4. Click on your experience level in Sailing Experience
5. Enter you interest choice text as indicated in the instruction field
6. Save you changes

Note: The steps 1-3 are how you would log in to the web site to view or change your profile. You are now ready to participate in Sailing Buddies.

How to use Sailing Buddies

1. Login in to the web site
2. Click on the Sailing Buddies tab

At this time the database will provide, sort and display a list of members with contact info for those who have expressed an interest in participating in sailing activities with other members.

Web Site Address: *ameliaislandsailing.org*.



Treasurer – Pat O’lear



Beginning Balance	\$6451.18
Income	\$ (Paypal) \$400.00 (memberships)
Expenses	\$40.00 (Kraft) \$33.00 (landside)

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Closing Balance	\$6778.18 (bank only)
Paypal	\$226.40
Total	\$7004.58

Landside - Darlene Spang



The theme for our June meeting will be ***'International'***.

Thought we could have some fun with an 'International' theme for August. Bring a dish from somewhere you have visited, would like to visit, or somewhere you may have lived.

Thank you to everyone for all the great picnic food you brought to the June social. As usual, it was fantastic!! Hope everyone enjoyed the ice cream sundaes we had for dessert. The sundaes were a team effort which required a lot of thought and planning. Figuring out how much ice cream and toppings we would need was quite the challenge. The hot fudge required contingency plans as well as creativity and Jan did a great job!!

We will continue to follow along with the way food has been assigned. For this month:

Ahlers through Mooney please bring a side dish or dessert.

Murphy through Zachary please bring a main dish.

If you bring a dish that needs serving utensils, please bring the utensils.

If anyone has any suggestions/recommendations for themes for our socials, please either bring them up at the meeting or email them to me. We are always looking for new ideas

I look forward to seeing everyone at the August meeting.

Your Landside Team: Darlene Spang, Janet Maguire, Patty Mooney, Toni Rowdon, Jan Schuurman

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Christmas/Hanukkah/Winter Solstice/Kwanzaa/Holiday Party

Party Committee: Janet Maguire, Patty Mooney, Darlene Spang



As of now, these are the details that have been finalized for the 2018 party. Any suggestions/recommendations are always welcome so either bring them up at the meeting or email a committee member.

Party Date: December 7th
Menu Theme: Italian**
Time: TBD
Cost: TBD
Location: Fernandina Beach Golf Club
2800 Bill Melton Road
Entertainment: Macy's

** If anyone has any dietary restrictions, please let one of us know. We can work with the Golf Club to accommodate anyone who would not be able to eat what will be on the buffet. I know it's still summer, but the sooner you let us know the better so we can finalize the menu.

Updates will be passed along as more details are finalized.

Membership – Russ Ridley

We have a lot of fun activities planned for the year; so, encourage your friends to come join us.

An AISC Membership application is attached as the last page of the Scuttlebutt!

Publicity – Ray Mooney



Even though we did not have a July meeting and we had a race get re-scheduled, the club did receive some favorable mention in the local press. Commodore Tom sent in a review and photos of our June 23rd race, which was published in the July 4, 2018 issue of the News Leader. Nice pictures of Misty, Grace, and Pelican. I sent in a review and photos of our scalloping trip to Steinhatchie. Fourteen club members and three boats

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made their way across the state the night before. The weather was great, the water was clear, and lots of scallops were caught. It was a fun trip. I highly recommend you participate if we hold this trip next year. Of the photos I sent in to the News Leader, four were printed: Charlie's boat with crew, cooler of scallops, low country boil, and finished product. Charlie's brother and family graciously hosted the cookout.

The June issue of the "Amelia Islander" magazine featured our club on pages 35 & 36 (copy attached at the end of the Scuttlebutt). Thanks to Graeme for providing the reporter with a ride on his sailboat. Lastly, the number of club members now signed in to our Facebook page is up to 40. Please feel free to post photos and comments to our Facebook page for all to share.

On a completely different note, I have mentioned to several club members about racing I did years ago when living in New Jersey. The Barnegat Bay and tributaries, primarily the Toms River, are a hotbed of sailboat racing. In addition to individual yacht club racing, and interclub racing, and children's racing, yacht clubs in the area belong to the Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association. This organization has been in existence for more than 100 years. The area has produced many olympic and collegiate caliber sailors for many years. The most famous, I think, is Gary Jobson. He was the tactician on Ted Turner's yacht during the America's Cup race years ago. Now Gary is the expert commentator for most televised coverage of yacht racing. If you are interested in more info, log into bbyra.org."

If you attend a club event and take photos you would not mind seeing in the paper, please send them to me at coolbreeze380@hotmail.com. Thanks!



Race Committee

See Commodore Update



Past Commodore – Charlie Hayes



THAT'S OUR STORY AND WE ARE STICKING WITH IT!!!

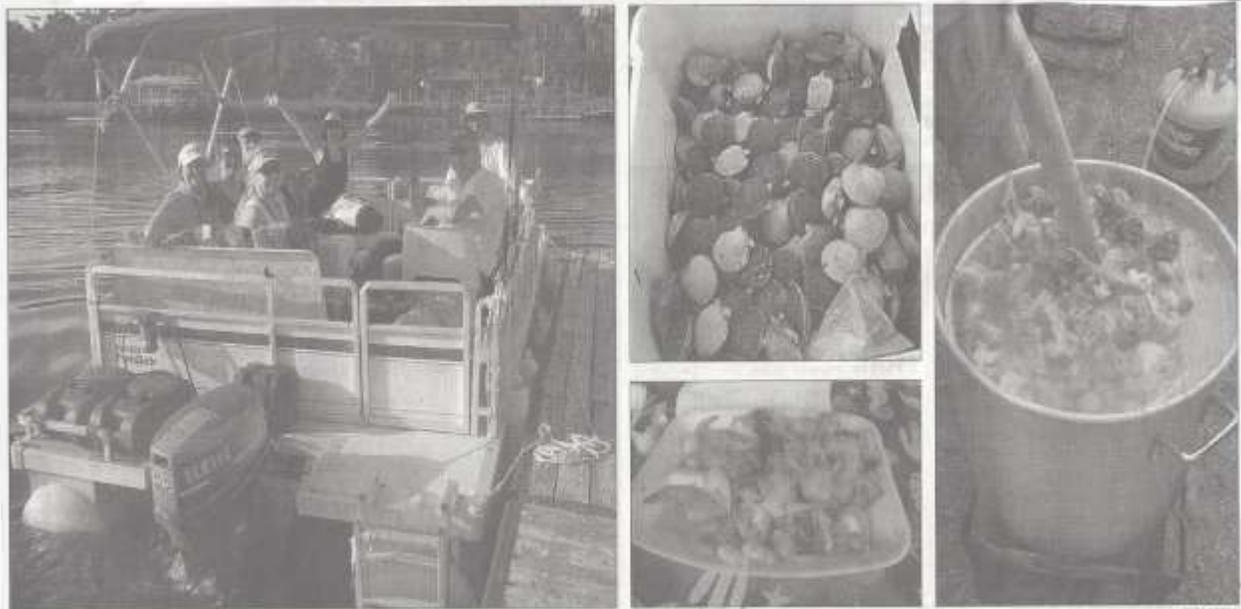
Other Items of Interest
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Richard Timm submitted an observation on sailing...



AISC goes scalloping! - News Leader July 11, 2018



Sailing Club goes scalloping NEWS LEADER 7/11/2018
More than a dozen members of the Amelia Island Sailing Club recently traveled to Steinboatchie, Fla. to take part in scalloping season, which opened in late June. With three boats towed across the state, snorkel gear, mesh bags and nets, members set out early one morning on their quest in the Gulf of Mexico. By afternoon, they returned to shore with a large haul of scallops, which they cooked in a low country boil. Fernandina-caught shrimp were also part of the meal. The Amelia Island Sailing Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Kraft Athletic Club at Ten Acres, located off Buccaneer Trail. For more information about attending a meeting as a guest or joining the club, contact Commodore Tom Maguire at (703) 298-1714.

June "June Islander" magazine article about the AISC...



the lure of the sea

With sailors, power boaters, and even non-boat owners, the Amelia Island Sailing Club is a social club that shares the joy of sailing through courses, regattas, and friendship.

BY TERI SOPP
PHOTOS COURTESY OF THE AMELIA ISLAND SAILING CLUB

“We are a social club with a boating problem,” laughs Tom Maguire, the current Commodore of the Amelia Island Sailing Club. For Tom, as with many members of the club, the lure of open water is strong.

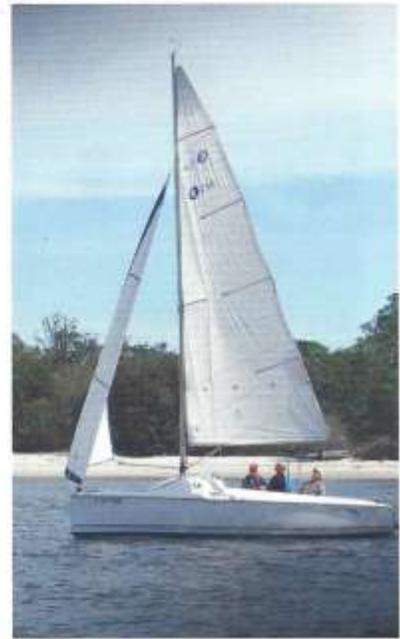
The Amelia Island Sailing Club currently has about 100 members, which includes sailors, power boaters, and even non-boat owners who are interested in sailing or boating. Many of the members are transplants to the Amelia Island area, who are drawn to the club by their love of sailing and the camaraderie among the members.

Commodore Maguire and his wife, Jan, moved to Fernandina Beach in 2015 and joined the club the same year. They brought their sailboat down from Virginia and now regularly compete in local regattas. Graeme and Nicola Nichol—originally from South Africa, but who came to Amelia Island with their sail boat by way of New Jersey—credit the club for introducing them to a number of good friends on Amelia Island. The couple, long-time sailboat racers and cruisers, joined the club as soon as they moved to the area in 2004.

“We love being involved in the sailing community here,” says Nicola. “It was really a great way to meet new folks.” A past Commodore, John Lohr, retired to Fernandina Beach from Denver. John and his wife, Joan, joined AISC right away, even though they didn’t own a sailboat. The Lohrs do, however, own a powerboat and they have long loved all things to do with water. They are active members. “We loved the fact that you could get involved in such a great local activity so easily,” says John.

One of the goals of the club is to encourage an interest in sailing. The club has held “learn how to sail” mini-courses, and they have sponsored “A Day on A Sailboat” to encourage community members to get involved in the sailing world. The club also sponsors several races, or “regattas,” each year and generally promotes the interest in boating in the area. Currently, the club is involved in “river sampling,” working with the St. Marys River riverkeeper to determine the health of the river and the sound. Boat owners and members sign up to participate in “sampling” days on the first Wednesday of each month.

The club was founded in the late 1970s, and it is run by an elected leadership, which includes a Commodore or



club President, a Vice Commodore, a Secretary, and a Treasurer in its slate of officers. Various committee chairs do the "landside" work of hosting the monthly potluck dinner, setting up the cruises and regattas, publishing the newsletter, managing the membership, and planning the yearly parties.

Members of the club try to remain abreast of conditions affecting boaters in the Amelia Island area. For example, several years ago, when the city decided to lay out a "mooring field" at the downtown marina where sailboats could anchor, the club was invited to review the proposals and to have input on the layout of the field and the type of mooring balls used.

If you would like to learn more about sailing and boating in our area, stop by a meeting or contact Russ Ridley, the current membership chair. The monthly newsletter, "The Scuttlebutt," is available on their website. Amelia Island Sailing Club meetings are open to anyone. For more information and membership applications, visit www.ameliainslandsailingclub.com.

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Scuttlebutt Editor – John Lohr

For comments and/or suggestions contact:
John Lohr, Scuttlebutt Editor and “Commodore-retired”
johnlohr@comcast.net or 303-229-7692



Calendar of Events

August

AISC Meeting: Tuesday, August 7; At Kraft 10 Acres; Social hour at 6:30 followed by our potluck dinner and meeting. See you there!

River Sampling: Wednesday, August 8 – Contact Tom Maguire if you are interested in helping

Sailing Race: August 18 for race and American Legion – Contact Tom Maguire for more information.

Ichetucknee Springs Tubing: August 23, Ichetucknee Springs for tubing down the river

Membership Application

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Amelia Island Sailing Club Membership Application

In order to ensure accurate, current information ALL members are requested to complete the application

Name(s): _____ ; _____
Last, First Last, First

Cell phone(s): _____ ; _____

Home phone(s): _____ ; _____

Email: _____ ; _____

Mailing Address: _____

Boat Name: _____ Builder & Length: _____, _____ ft

Marina, berth, or storage location: _____

What interests, experiences, qualifications or accomplishments would you share relative to sailing or boating?

Which AISC activities do you have an interest? (check as many as you like)

Cruising _____ Racing _____ Social Events _____ Boat Crew _____

Which AISC activities would you like to learn about or volunteer?

Cruising _____ Racing _____ Social Events _____ Boat Crew _____

Other Interests/Comments _____

Waiver: in consideration of the Amelia Island Sailing Club's (AISC) acceptance of my application for membership, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims against the AISC for damages, personal injuries, or property damage which subsequently accrue to me by reason of my participation in any activity (including without limitation, yacht races, cruises, and social events) sponsored by the AISC.

NOTE: APPLICATION CANNOT PROCEED WITHOUT YOUR SIGNATURE(S)

Signature(s): _____ ; _____

Signature - date

Signature - date

Please return this application and the \$100 annual membership fee to:

AISC Membership Committee

PO Box 16143

Fernandina Beach, FL 32035