



FROM THE HELM



Commodore – Gary Sanders

As Commodore Tom D stated last month, I will be taking over the role of Acting Commodore for the remainder of the year.

This last year was abnormal for everyone's personal lives which certainly included our club's activities. With a lot of help from our experienced board, we can hopefully help steer the club back on course.

Last month, the board decided to return to "normal" monthly meetings at the Kraft Club. In past years, we have skipped July, avoiding potential conflicts with Independence Day. Considering the 4th this year is on Sunday, and that we have had so few meetings, we decided to go ahead and meet on Tuesday 7/6. Hopefully by the time the scuttlebutt is published, you will have already received the event notification.

I am also happy to report that the Virgin Islands are slowly returning to normal as well. We just returned from a week chartering a 47' monohull in the BVIs. It was complicated and stressful managing all the COVID related entry requirements just to get there. We made this even worse by flying into St Thomas, USVI and taking the ferry to Tortola, BVI. Currently there is only one ferry per day. This meant we had to deal with both USVI and BVI entry and exit protocols. However, it was well worth the hassle, and we would go again next week if we had the chance.

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This was our first time chartering and we think that going during this slower period offered a better experience. There were at most a dozen other boats in the popular bays which is enough to keep some of the bars, restaurants, and shops open. While it may not be as vibrant an atmosphere as is normal, it was still very enjoyable. The people were all incredibly happy to see us.

Looking forward to even more normalcy..... Gary



Looping
Vice Commodore –
Peter Kurtius



Our looping Vice Commodore Peter and Admiral Sandy are off the coast of northern Michigan after completing the Erie Canal lock system and Lake Erie. They were flying the club burgee prior to losing it somewhere along the way:

Exiting the Erie Canal:



Somewhere in Lake Erie something is missing from the bow rail:



But, not to worry – all is well aboard Topsy Turtle at our last contact. You can follow along on their journey via blog - [TopsyTurtleTravels](#) - and/or searching for Topsy Turtle via the Nebo app.



Treasurer –
Ray Mooney



Hi everyone! This Treasurer's Report is a departure from the usual that I prepare. Everything (paypal, petty cash) has stayed the same as last month. The only change was due to a \$50 check issued to the Kraft Club on June 1st. The total funds available is \$10,648.17 as of June 26, 2021.

Hope to see many of you in July.

AISC TREASURER'S REPORT, MAY 31, 2021		
Checkbook Beginning Balance		\$ 9,819.77
ADD: Deposits		\$ 100.00
LESS: Expenses		\$ 50.00
Checkbook Ending Balance		\$ 9,869.77
Paypal Ending Balance		\$ 774.40
Petty Cash Ending Balance		\$ 54.00
Total Funds Available		\$ 10,698.17
Revenue:		
Dues		\$ 100.00
Expenditures:		
Kraft Club		\$ 50.00

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AISC Club Racing - Cathy Eichmann



Saturday was a great day for a race. The wind was fantastic! Out of a possible six boats, four made it to the race, and three finished. It is always a good day when we have a committee boat to chase the sailors around the course. Thanks to Rick Brenner for his able driving so Tom Maguire could get some really interesting pictures. Lots of good action shots. Here's a couple and more can be found at:

[Amelia Island Sailing Club \(AISC\) - Photos \(wildapricot.org\)](https://www.wildapricot.org/Amelia-Island-Sailing-Club-AISC-Photos)



For the first time in over a year, we were able to get together to reveal the results. It was nice to see so many people turn out at Mocama for the big announcement.

The winner was Wayward Wind, skipper Larry Murphy with a corrected time of 14 seconds shorter than MIsty, skippered by Wilby Whitt. I guess it was a fair turn around since last month the places were switched with only a 20 second difference in corrected finish times. Rounding out the fleet was Sea Esta, skippered by Glen Stetler.

See everyone next month. Fair winds to all until then and Happy Fourth of July!

Landside –
Carol
Nieberline



Join us on July 6th for an All-American boat club meeting at the Kraft Club.

The club will provide chicken for our main dish and members are asked to bring side dishes and desserts.

Members' last names beginning A-K - please bring Side dishes.
Members' last names beginning L-Z- please bring desserts.

It's summer!

Let's enjoy an All-American belated July 4th picnic dinner. Wear your red, white, and blue!



Quartermaster –
John Kropa



I encourage you to wear your AISC regalia as often as possible. It may begin a conversation with acquaintances about our fun organization and drum up some new members! Plenty to choose from on our store's website:

[Amelia Island Sailing Club Web Store \(printavo.com\)](http://printavo.com)

For my nav tip of the month, environmental awareness as promoted by the Florida Wildlife Commission:

- Seagrasses are the principal food for endangered marine herbivores such as manatees and green sea turtles, act as natural filters to help purify the water, and provide a suitable environment for a wide variety of marine life.
- Boaters should make all available attempts to avoid running through seagrass beds.
- Navigation charts identify seagrass beds as light green or marked as "grs" on the chart.
- Boaters should make all possible attempts to stay within channels when unfamiliar with a waterway.
- Avoid taking shortcuts through seagrass beds to avoid causing propeller scars.
- It is a violation of Florida law to damage seagrass beds in some areas within state waters.

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Scuttlebutt Editor
Tom Maguire



Had a tough time with river Sampling this month due to scheduling and boat problems, but managed to get out for a while and had yet another delay, but one always worth watching:



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July 2021 AISC Event Calendar

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	Jul 1	2	3
4	5	6 6:00 PM Club Meeting - New Normal?	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31 6th AISC Race

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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***