45429 Mariners Mooring Dickenson, TX 77539, e-mail: waynemary@gvtc.com

Mast Head: Editor: Wayne Laxson; Contributor Editors: Tom Collier; USA logo: Albert Seidl; FW logo Tony Olmer Photos: as stated

Volume 07 Number 4 October 2010

© 2000 by First Watch

This Bulletin may not be reproduced, in whole or part, in type or electronically without First Watch permission.

Articles written in First Watch are under the responsibilities of their authors.



Tom Collier "Ursa Major" National Captain

National Captain Tom Collier wanted to thank the table Captains and Seconds that were in attendance at the Annual Captains Meeting in Bradenton, Florida. The Sun Coast Table was gracious in hosting the event on short notice and put together a wonderful Brotherhood event for all.

The main purpose of the meeting was to elect a new National Captain, but there was other business conducted before the election. The Upper Chesapeake (Potomac) table was closed and the brothers will be invited to join any of the other Tables of the US. In other business a proposal to amend the Brotherhood Guide was proposed by Sam Britton and accepted by the Captains. Tony Olmer will prepare the final version from the original draft created by Sam Britton. The change is a suggested protocol for USA Brothers visiting internationally and providing the information to the US Vigie who will then make the appropriate contact with the Brotherhood of the Country to be visited. This is a matter of courtesy and respect to the other Tables of the world. When the final version is competed it will be distributed to all.

In the elections the Captains and Seconds voted Charles "Oso" Hankins to be the next National Captain. The nominees were Scott Ripley of the Chesapeake Table and Charles Hankins of the San Antonio Table. Both were will qualified and it was agreed that either would have made a great National Captain. As expected the vote was close and Charles was the winner by a very narrow margin. Hankins will assume his duties on January 1, 2011.



Captain: Scott Ripley sripley@ripheat.com



By: Peter Dennant



The Third Edition of the **First Watch** left off as the Fleet of the Chesapeake Table was preparing to meet with the Fleet of the Solomons Island Table for the second (annual?) "Raftarrancho." The weather cooperated and the two fleets started an early raft the evening of June 24th. The place for what we believe is the only all-on-the-water gathering of US Tables was Dymer Creek (76 20' 42.67" W, 37 40' 06" N). The small raft that started on Thursday night encountered a problem other than the hot and humid weather that plagued the Bay all summer: it seems the anchor wasn't quite set well. After some coordination with the other boats, the Captain of *ORZA* managed to move the raft back to the deeper water of the creek where the anchor set well for the rest of the event.



June 25th was the formal date for the Raftarrancho. Boats from both Tables arrived in the late morning and early afternoon. By 2 PM, a raft of sixteen boats was secured and many of the participants were in the water seeking refuge from the oppressive heat of the day. Brothers, first mates and captives adorned floating devices of all types as they visited with one another throughout the afternoon. Brothers from the New York, San Antonio (including our new National Captain) and Savannah made this a true gathering of

Tables.

The primary entrée was again provided by Brother Fish Monger...bonafide Maryland style crab cakes. As usual, there was more food than this group of almost fifty people could consume. The Summer Solstice had occurred on Monday of that week so the day went long. Around sunset, *ORZA's* rear deck gave way to Brothers with musical talents.

The music lasted well into the night and concluded the activities of a perfect Brotherhood Day.

The summer just got hotter in July and August. While we didn't have any formal gatherings of the Table, every weekend you could find two or more of the Brothers spending time with one another...gathering at their homes, Rebel Marina (home to seven boats in the fleet), or rafting together in one of the Chesapeake Bay's many rivers and creeks.

The Solomons Island Table was planning to promote their first engages to brothers in late August and sent an invitation down the Bay. We responded en masse. On August 20th, five brothers and their first mates/captives left Norfolk aboard *ORZA* and made the trip north. Five others came by land. We gathered at the home of Brother Easy on Saturday for a Chesapeake Crab Bake (the Chesapeake equivalent of a Maine Lobster Bake) in the afternoon followed by the Induction Ceremony of our new brothers.

The 6th Annual Labor Day Raft-up and Tip-a-Few came a few weeks later. Due to a number of factors - including a brush by Hurricane Earl just before the weekend, it was a smaller gathering than in years past. But, those that attended had a grand, if not bumpy, Saturday evening on the Rebel Marina mooring ball (large enough to accommodate a Navy destroyer) in Willoughby Bay. The next morning the raft broke after a leisurely breakfast. A few of the boats headed across Hampton Roads and spent the next night in Mill Creek while three other boats headed a little further, to Back River for the night.

September has brought us pleasant temperatures, no jellyfish and shorter days. Briese-Galets is slowly making his way back from the western Pacific (he is now in South Africa) while three other brothers are making ready to sail south for the winter. Those of us left behind will toast them and work toward the day when we can join them as they migrate to lower latitudes.

Corpus Christi



Captain: Louis Adams "Lost Louie" rladams@cableone.net



By: Louis Adams

The Corpus Christi Table was given the opportunity of a lifetime on the Fourth of July 2010. Corpus Christi could not accommodate a ship with masts as tall as the sailing ships Eagle and Esmeralda. Well all that changed when BRAC decided to close the Naval Base at Ingleside. "Sail South Texas" was formed and the tall ships Esmeralda from Chile, Cuauhtémoc from Mexico, Capitan Miranda from Uruguay, and the USCG Eagle all arrived on the tail of Hurricane Alex, and were berthed at the recently closed Navy Base. The Captain of the Esmeralda is a brother and invited the local brothers to their Saturday night function. Those attending were:

Corpus Christi Table

Louis and Karen Adams, David and Barbara May, Gordon and Carol Goosney, Paul and Karen Froeshner and Engage Bob and DeeDee Weber

San Antonio Table
Mike and Helen Cantu-Withoff

The Houston Table
Tom and Sue Collier
Jim Musgrove and Celeste

The Captain of the Capitan Miranda is also a brother from Uruguay and it was our pleasure to meet him also.

Table Captain Lost Louie aka Corpus Christi harbor pilot unit #3 donated his services and was the State Pilot aboard Esmeralda, Eagle, and Capitan Miranda. After being a merchant seaman for years this was quite a treat for me. The Port of Corpus Christi and local sponsors did a great job and thousands showed up to see the ships.

The August social was at Lost Louie's and captive Karen's. We then tried to finalize plans for "Margaritas and Senoritas" our October 2nd Zaf. I am sure another meeting will be required.

Last night we had the September boucan at Larry and Jean Jones aka Rumline. Captive Jean made her famous "Chicken Buenaventura" and we discussed the final plans for the Zaf. October 1st 2nd and 3rd will be our "Margaritas and Senoritas" zaf. We changed location and caterer as well as added more alcohol. Should prove to be a great event. We are getting a lot of interest and only have a few berths left. So contact Gordon Goosney we promise a good time in true Brotherhood tradition.

ORZA!!! Lost Louie Corpus Christi Table



On the deck of a Tall Ship



Corpus Christi Captain Louis Adams with the Captain of the Esmeralda



Engage Bob & DeeDee Weber on the Esmeralda



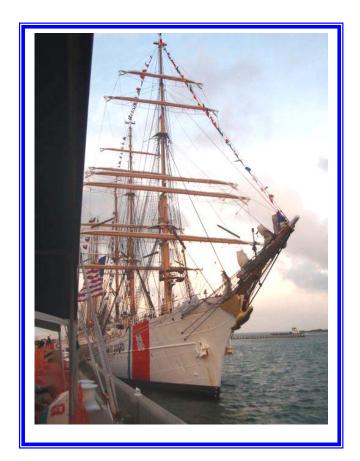
Corpus Christi Brother Larry Jones



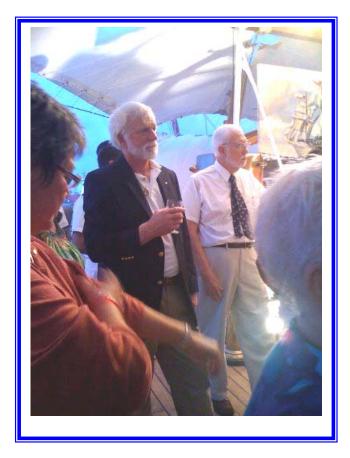


The Cuauhtémoc (Mexican Ship)

On deck - Eagle



Tall Ship-"The Eagle" a US Coast Guard Training Ship



David May and Jim Musgrove

Gold Coast



Captain: John Dotto
jldotto@bellsouth.net
Alternate Contact: Frank Sessions
CaptFS@aol.com

By: John Dotto



This is the season when many people do not want to be in South Florida. It's hot, very hot and very humid. There are many thunderstorms with heavy downpours. It's the rainy season and the start of the hurricane season. Nevertheless us hardy Floridians remain here and love it.

The June Boucan was a Raft-Up. Organized by Cliff (Fozzy) Steffen and Sandy the raftup took place on the Middle River where 5 BoC boats joined together for some fun. It did not rain and it was hot, so hot that a few (very few) of the group jumped into the pristine clear waters (yeah right!) to cool off. Then there was food and grog and more food and more grog. Raft-ups are such great fun!











he July Boucan was an Instant-Boucan. We had not planned one for that month but as it happened we were notified by the San Antonio Table that a Brother from the Spanish Brotherhood was planning to visit Miami. So an Instant-Boucan was arranged at short notice. It so happened that the World Soccer final between Spain and The Netherlands was scheduled for Wed 7th. We had the Spanish National Captain, Manuel de Luque and Captive and friend Andres Cerrillo and wife over at the Scorpions Lair to watch the game – Spain won! Then a boat ride down the New River courtesy of Cliff (Fozzy) Steffen on "Fourty Two" and then, back at the Scorpions Lair we ordered Pizza washed down with plenty of vino tinto to finish off a very pleasant Instant-International-Boucan.









The August Boucan was organized by Dave (Scorch) Sowers and Miriam down in Miami. The Grog flowed freely to go with the delicious appetizers – shrimp and claws from McGyver, pork tenderloin from Grouperhead – and that's just the appetizers. Scorchs's ribs and chicken on the grill were fantastic and accompanied by Deputy Dawg's famous slow cooked beans. Desserts were provided by Captives Sandy and Sara to round off the feast. But the highlight of the evening was a Special Announcement – Brian (McGyver) Schmitz and Susan announced they were engaged to be married. That certainly called for a Special ORZA!











The September Boucan is being organized by Walter (Grouperhead) Schildt and Diana. It will be a raft-up on Lake Sylvia Sept 18th. In November the Captains Boucan will take place at the Scorpions Lair.

In December we will have the Fort Lauderdale Winterfest Boat Parade.



Captain: Jim Vick "Ernest"

Jvick208@sbcglobal.net

By: Don Peterson "Big Dog" #213



The Houston Table has a new Captain. Longtime Houston Brother, Jim Vick, was elected as Captain following Tom Dayton. Tom and Captive Carol did a wonderful job for the past two years leading our Table. Captain Vick is a life long boater. He served in the Navy as a young man and owned boats all his life. He and his Captive Betty cruised for 2 years aboard their DeFever trawler "Slippin Around". Business interests and family brought them back to Houston a few years back. In addition to trawlers, sail boats, runabouts, and dingys, Jim has even owned a shrimp boat. So if you are ever in Houston and in need of some shrimp, Jim is your man.

Labor Day weekend we inducted our newest Brother Casey Simms, aka Tarball. Casey and his Captive Ranola have lived all over the world as Casey hunts for oil offshore for Chevron. They have lived all over Africa and have fascinating stories of living there. In honor of his chosen profession and recent BP oil spill he was named Tarball.

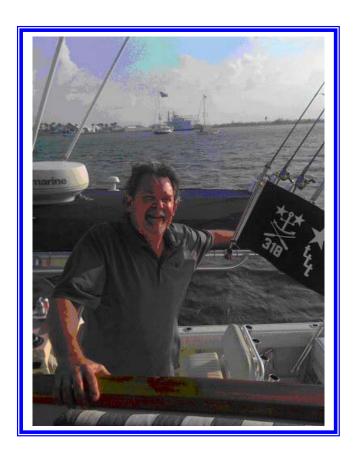
The Houston Table hosted a dinner for Erica Anderson recently as she visited Houston from Florida. She told us great stories of her boating life aboard ships and yachts she has enjoyed with her husband.



Erica Anderson and Houston Brothers

We have renewed an old tradition for 2011, The Buccaneers Ball. The Ball will be held January 21-23, 2011. Friday night will be a meet and greet dinner. Saturday day will be spent aboard boats and the Ball takes place that night at the South Shore Harbor Resort and Conference Center on Clear Lake in League City, Texas. Saturday night will be full Pirate rig for Brothers and stunning cocktail attire for the ladies. Music will be provided for dancing and various Krewes for your entertainment. Sunday will be the traditional Brotherhood Bloody Mary breakfast. Plug it in your computer or smart phone today and save the date, January 21-23.

Below is the newest Houston Brother, Casey Simms, aka Tarball, proudly flying his BOC Flag.



New Brother Casey Simms "Tarball"



Brother "Tarball" Induction

Captain: Robert "Big Hopper" Coles rcoles@optonline.net



By: Robert Coles with Jungle Jane, Master Editor

Some years ago, Paul and Dawn Gudelis were sailing their J37 in the Chesapeake and in Savannah. They had sailed with Brothers to the Bahamas. Rob Stanger of the Chesapeake Table first introduced Paul to *Rascal* with whom he had a conversation several months later. By some glitch, their respective telephone numbers went by the wayside, and they did not immediately reconnect until...Paul bought the boat slip next to *Sorcery* in Stamford. *Rascal* reestablished contact Paul and Dawn were invited to a Zaf.

Kevin Rathbone has attended virtually all Zafs during the last two years. He has cooked and brought his wonderful food to the Zafs. He is a great clam digger and steamer! More importantly, he is a lover of the sea which is one of the tenants of the Octolog. Now that he is retired from his A/C professional functions, I am sure he's on the water seven days a week. He has been helping Lenny Sinowitz with repairs and maintenance of the 40' custom wooden cutter *Mary Loring* and has joined Lenny on several long cruises. Mary Loring was designed by Winthrop Warner and built in 1947 by Paul Lucke of Middletown, CT. Kevin designed and built his lap strake wooden 16' "Cape Dory" and 18' Ketch. He sails these able skiffs by himself, stepping the masts as required or rowing and sculling when more appropriate. His skiff was the main memorabilia of

the 50th BOC Anniversary Zaf in New York last fall. Thanks again to Andrea and Bill for the design integration and framing of the table mats depicting Kevin's fine yawl.

"Kissing rocks" is the only way to get to *Rascal*'s mooring in Stamford's harbor behind the breakwater. *Bubu* – Paul and Dawn's Malo 36 preferred to round off the breakwater and re-enter from the South entrance. As usual, the party had already begun. After all, it was induction night for Paul and Kevin.

Tradition is - as I learned, that engagés send a letter to the table captain, outlining their sea going or sea loving experience. Also in this missive they explain their reason for which they wish to join the Brotherhood. Upon unanimous approval by the Brothers of the Table they are invited to be inducted. After an extremis Brothers meeting we needed to finalize the procedure, the decorum, the certificates and the Brother's names, we gathered Brothers and Engagés on Lenny's traditional *Mary Loring*. Guests and captives attended from the rest of the fleet.



Once positioned on Lenny's foredeck, Paul and Kevin were blindfolded. Both engagés were officially presented to the table's Brothers who unanimously welcomed them as new members of our Brotherhood. Paul aka MINDAUGAS and Kevin aka COOL WOOD both alternatively read a line of the Octolog and received their certificate and pennants (# 315 and #316). At sunset, we raised our mug of perfectly distilled 16 year old rum. It seems that even the full moon and Venus wanted to share the solemnity and emotional moment as they revealed themselves in the dusky southern quadrant.

The bar was officially open (Did it need an OK from anyone?) There are no captives on this *Bubu*! Only a captivating woman... So is Dawn's official declaration: she is as much USCG Licensed Captain as her darling *Mindaugas*. Ina again surpassed her reputation of best cook, hostess and caterer.



The night was beautiful. A chain of lightning strikes and a series of chilling gusts made us break the raft for the night. Kevin also anchored further away and secured his foresails. A nice 12 knot breeze pulled Joe's and Maureen's Liberty Sailship off the mooring before breakfast with their guests Mark and Marlene.



After having discovered the true color of watered pastis, *Cool Wood* was in full contractual negotiations with a carpenter hammering in the upper cranian dormitory. Spark's frittata with eggbeater and mushrooms and real cheese did reconcile us with nebulous dreams. Soya cheese will be his next experiment.

Bubu dispelled and motored her way back to Old Greenwich in order to drop Ed the Guitarist and his wife Barb back on the mainland. But on the way back, we had the real happiness to enjoy a lively short hauled 8 knots sail back to the slip in Stamford. It made us almost forget our recently sold Carter 33. We crossed way with *Mary Loring*, proud as can be, under full main, Jib and Trinquette. What a Lady she is!

"The Venice of da Bronx"

(As per Jungle Jane, Master Editor - this analogy of Jay's is a bit mysterious except that, like Venice, the tourists coming to City Island don't realize that real people live here.)

Our August Zaf was at:

- A private beach...overlooking the Manhattan skyline, about 14 miles as the crow flies, baked by a warm summer sunset.
- A beach and picnic area that had been the location of the first World Zaf in 1986, with 200 pirates arriving in busses.
- A neighborhood beach club. Zagat (WHO IS THIS?) (Our de-facto long time engage) had already rated it highly for the efficient no-fuss hospitality of our host Jay Squeegee Howard.



- A site where we commemorated deceased Brother Bob Ulrich who had given a cannon to Charlie *Slow Goose* Fine.
- A firing range where six years ago it seemed like Waterloo, when Robert *Big Hopper* Coles fired a cannon that knocked the cat next door off his feet. Rascal had to reassure the NYC Police officers, who arrived on the scene, of the nature of this blast. The cannon has stayed silent ever since.
- a grass dance floor trod by the feet of Brothers, Captives and Others at Jay *Squegee* and Norma's wedding in 2007.



A cook range and barbecues where Kevin *Cool Wood* Rathbone served his famous hot chicken stew, and last year's Bouillabaisse. A stage for Captivating Dawn and *Jungle*

Jane who proposed reviving the Brotherhood Recipe Collection project. Hereafter Zaf cooks will be required to submit their recipe for the Collection, or face keel hauling by the editors.

A shop where new New Cadet Jackets were sold and where Brise Galets' progress was

seen on Big Hopper's laptop computer.





- A sea shanties stage and session directed by our concertina maestro, Lenny *Baggy Wrinkle* Sinowitz, soon joined by Ed, a guest, who came prepared with his black graphite guitar and a stack of classic hits "a la Woodstock". Ed's wife, Barbara, beat the tambourine.

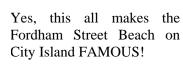


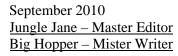
Norma's daughter, Gloria, closed the evening with a grand cantata, "I Love You Forever", from "Titanic". Her pony tailed friend gracefully played the guitar with interpretations of American Folk Music and R&R.















San Antonio

Captain: Wayne Laxson "Borracho" waynemary@gvtc.com

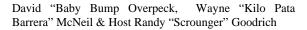
By: Wayne Laxson



The San Antonio Table has been busy this summer with our monthly First Thursday dinner and with a Pool Party at Bob "Stogie" Wills ranch in the Cowboy Capital of The World, Bandera, Texas. Bob us just putting on the finishing touches on his new home there and was gracious enough to invite the Brothers to join him.

September brought another new home boucan at he Hill Country/Canyon Lake home (still under construction) of Randy and Julie Goodrich. Hot dogs and hamburgers were the order of the day along with plenty of cold beer, good wine and other interesting drinks – as usual.







Craig "Marquis de Sade" Wright & Mike "El Pistolero" Cantu-Witoff





Sissi Lewis Magy (friend of McNeils), Mary Laxson, Sara Eckerman & Cheryl Wright

Patty McNeil, Monty "Monty Python" Rogers, Helen Cantu-Withoff at table, Craig Wright and Mike Cantu-Witoff

The Tall Ships

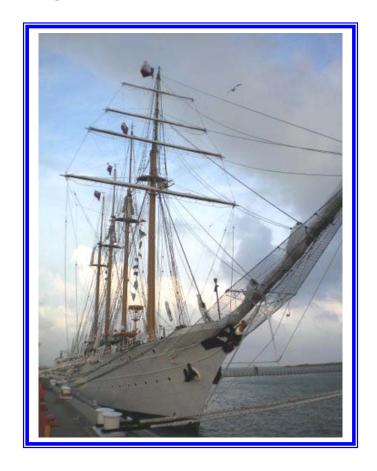
The Tall Ships made a visit to Corpus Christi, Texas over the July 4th weekend and invited the Brothers to visit. San Antonio Brother Mike "El Pistolero" Cantu-Witoff and his wife Helen made the journey to Corpus Christi on behalf of the San Antonio Brother. All of the Brothers were treated to a tour and reception aboard the Chilean tall ship the Esmeralda.



Mike & Helen Cantu-Witoff on deck with ships bell



Corpus Christi's Louis Adams, David and Barbara May and San Antonio's Helen and Mike Cantu-Witoff in the Captain's Quarters





Savannah

Captain: Albert Seidl "Dogwaes" albaertseidl@msn.com



By: Patrick Mills

Back in late June the Savannah Brothers of Black Mountain invited the whole Table to a Mountain Guarrida. Brothers and spouses came from further afield than Savannah, namely Pat & R.K. Ready (Sarasota), Phil & Barbara Barber (Sarasota & Black Mtn), Mark & Jill Judy Brown (Ft. Lauderdale & Little Rock). Savannah Brothers that attended were Capt. Albert Seidl & Alise, Past Capt. Joe Horvath & Maureen, Patrick Mills, Wren & Erin, John & Helen Byrnes, and Engage Rigel Crockett & Ariel. Friday evening kick-off was Oysters on the half-shell, martinis and burgers on the grill. An Induction ceremony full of pomp and circumstances took place to induct Engage Bill Boyd into full Brotherhood. Much imbibing and congratulations.







The Savannah Table is hosting their Tybee Island Weekend Boucan on Tybee Island, Ga. (Savannah) on the weekend of October 15....see below for details.

The Savannah Table Low Country Boucan on Tybee Island, GA.

Friday Evening 15th October 2010

5.30 pm. Welcome Party at the Center Isle Cottage, 1808 Butler Ave, Tybee. Come join old acquaintances and meet new friends whilst enjoying an ocean view, sea breezes, light fare - and cocktails of your choice. BYOB. Parking is limited. Carpooling is suggested. Parking rules are strictly enforced until 8 pm.

Saturday 16th October 2010

Allowing for a slow start and breakfast of your own making, a Treasure Hunt will take place for those of you with enough energy and an interest to see a concentrated area of Tybee Island whilst scavenging for bounty.

With the beach in walking distance for most of you, casual time is offered to all whether it is a quick dip or a brisk walk. Perhaps you might prefer taking in a tour of the Lighthouse, a trip to Fort Pulaski, heading into Savannah for professional sightseeing, a visit to Bonaventure Cemetery, kayaking, fishing, dolphin tours, perusing the Festival of the Arts on Tybee or just lounging around enjoying a very serious sit whilst wallowing in the luxury of an open day? The world is your oyster and we shall be very pleased to assist with any direction or further information required. Coffee and donuts will be available for anyone wishing to drop into the American Legion - a quaint old Tybee styled Cottage - from 8.30 am onwards. If you are the first there, turn the lights on and sweep the floor! The A.L. Cottage will serve as a meeting point all day. Parking is readily available.

From 7pm., your attendance in <u>pirate attire</u> is required at the Tybee American Legion Hall for an evening filled with surprise entertainment, and will include a Flag Transfer Ceremony, music by "SOAP" with dancing and/or other involuntary movements fuelled by grog. Bring your purses – no fee to enter, but heavy fines for those wishing to leave early!!

An Oyster Roast and Low Country Boil will be catered which will delight your taste buds but dirty your hands and soil your clothing. A *cash bar* is available offering heavily discounted beers, wines and spirits. Parking is readily available but pooling is a good option here so there are fewer drunken sailors on the street. (The Tybee jail is small and does not serve beverages).

Sunday morning 17th October 2010

10.00 am. To 1.00 pm. Brunch will be offered at the Van Horne Cottage, 1 Van Horne Place. Parking is limited and laws are strictly enforced – yes even on Sundays! Car pooling again is suggested.

Breakfast items and Advil will be served. We still have a few little secrets in store to amuse all our Brothers and their Captives ... so keep those smiles in place and your cannons fully loaded. This is a perfect opportunity to nurse a hangover quietly on a sleepy Sunday morning with about 60 of your "closest" friends and to say farewell before hitting the road.

Any waifs or strays with an interest to get together for an early simple supper on Sunday evening are welcome to meet again later that day at the Van Horne House. BYOB.



solomons Island

Captain: Pete Chabot "Sea Devil" Pgchabot@aol.com



By Dale Weems rockfish580@comcast.net

The summer is gone and it seems like a blur we had some great times. It started with a raft up with the Chesapeake table. An event that is growing each year and we hope it becomes an annual scheduled brotherhood event that continues to grow . That started the summer for us and what a way to start the summer it brought brothers and mates from five tables. I believe it was 18 vessels on one hook this was a raft up on steroids. After we all were present and accounted for we jumped into the water for an afternoon of catching up comradely and cocktails. For me floating in the water behind these vessels brought a real sense of why I became a part of this. Everyone made you feel like it had been to long since you last saw each other. The perfect dinner was complemented by the perfect sunset the quality of the food will only be surpassed by the quality of the folks attending and the memories we all left with.

Our first 2 engages had gone through all of their steps except for the formal ceremony that would make them brothers for life. , And that takes us to the second event of the summer. And bringing our first engages into the fold, this had to be something special. And special it was. It was hosted and sponsored by Capt. Go Go and Easy at Easy's house on St John's Creek. It started of course with everyone unloading their batteries to show they came in peace. They certainly had heard about the good time that was about to take place. The afternoon started with some social time at the pool and led into the crab races at Sand Castle Downs. The ladies were wearing their best derby hats. Snapper Kings young Philly crab seemed to be the top crab at this year's event. At the end of the races we went straight into the custom seafood boil that had been prepared by Fish Monger and his mate Cindy. A better spread I have never seen. After dinner we got down to business we had 2 new engages about to make a step that would change their lives forever. Brought in bond and blind folded they were given their last chance to flee, being

the men of character that we knew they were, they chose to stay and join the brotherhood. The ceremony was done in grand style. Other events are in the works for day cruises and football games or almost any excuse to get together. We look forward to visiting with any traveling brothers who visit the Washington-Baltimore area.

ORZA

Dale Weems





Captain: Jon Frick "Mr. Clean" jwfrick@tampabay.rr.com

By: Jon Frick aka Mr. Clean Captain of the Sun Coast Table



The month of June brought the Sun Coast Table a fantastic Happy Hour, hosted by John and Eileen Hampshire. First, we tipped a few and proceeded across the street to a fine Italian restaurant, Caragiulo's. The sumptuous meal had several Orza accents. One was for the Hampshire's planning a well attended, wonderful Happy Hour.

The July Happy Hour was a raft-up at the Bradenton Beach Marina, hosted by Steve and Jean Herb. Five Boats and several walk-up brothers and captives made for a fun filled evening, and a great meal at the Bridge Tender Inn.

August found us all on Anna Maria Island. John D'Alusio hosted another outstanding picnic on the beach. Besides a variety of drinks, the captives brought dishes to pass, both hot and cold. This having been the 5th annual Sun Coast Brother-hood picnic, well planned and organized by Brother D'Alusio, a deserved Orza rang out in unison, thirty members strong. And that included Sid and Fran Dean, brotherhood members from the Florida Keys. Visiting brothers and Captives are always welcome.

September became another important month. We were pleased to host, for the second year in a row, The National Captains Meeting. Upon arrival, the BOC Captains and hosts met at Woody's River Roo (The Roo with a view) and had a great Meet and Greet. Saturday at the Bradenton Yacht Club, The National Captains Meeting took place. The meeting closed with the Election of Charles Hankins as the new National Captain. I am sure Tom Collier or Charles Hankins will write about the content of the meeting. Saturday evening dinner and drinks were enjoyed at the Anna Maria Oyster Bar, by forty brothers, and captives. Also in attendance was a visiting engage from New York, our own

engage, and a pasahara from Bradenton. Because of the distance between residences, visiting Captains and seconds enjoyed Sunday breakfast with their host and hostess.

On Sunday, September 19th, several brothers had a mini Meet and Greet for Monty Rodgers, flag #148, and his wife Audrey. After a tour of Anna Maria Island and the Village of the Arts, we met other brothers and captives of the Sun Coast Table at Woody's River Roo, on the Manatee River in Ellenton, Florida. On Wednesday evening after work, Bette and I had dinner with Monty at the Twin Dolphins in Bradenton. What a great couple.

They have chosen their room here at our home and, confirmed their reservation for the Little Pirates Christmas Zaf, on the weekend of December 3rd, 4th and 5th. For any other brothers wishing to attend the 21st Annual Little Pirates Christmas Zaf, please call Captain Jon Frick at 941-761-9393. We will try to host as many as we can, on a first come basis.

BOC Sun Coast Table

Is pleased to invite all Brothers to:

The 21st Annual

Little Pirates Christmas Zaf

December 3rd through December 5th, 2010

This three day gathering of buccaneers will provide many opportunities to eat, drink, and socialize in order to usher in the holiday season in true brotherhood fashion. So, set sail for Bradenton/Sarasota and join in the holiday festivities....Brotherhood Style!

Friday - Welcome Gathering - 6 -11 PM - Pirate Rig

Location- The Home of Bob and Evonne Langenbach

5822 Riegels Harbor Road

Sarasota, Fl. 34242

The Langenbach home is located on beautiful Siesta Key, at the very exclusive Reigels Harbor. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by brothers and an open bar, followed by a sumptuous sit down dinner, and an evening of Orzas! Also, the induction of our

Engage, Fred Smith. Did I mention there might just be some "Gumbay-Smash", for the many Orzas!?

Saturday - Beach Party - 11 am to 3 pm Location - South end of Anna Maria Island Coquina Beach - Gulf Side

The Sun Coast Table has rented a large covered pavilion with electric, water, grills, with restrooms close by. If the captives would like to go shopping after lunch, St Armands Circle is just down the road.

Saturday Evening - Formal Dinner - 6 pm to 11 pm

Location- The Founders Club 3800 Golf Hall Drive Sarasota, Fl. 34240

The Founders Club can best be described as being, South Carolina Low Country Plantation style. Simply put...Elegant! Tastefully luxurious inside, a long veranda outside, complete with a fireplace that invites you to bring your after dinner drink, and enjoy interesting conversation with your friends.

The dinner menu selections will be ready October16th. Those brothers responding with reservations by November 15th will be sent a menu with three choices. Please respond quickly so the chef may place his food order. I can assure you dinner will be more than a caraway seed and a carrot.

Sunday - Farewell Brunch - 10 am to 2 pm Location - The Home of John and Eileen Hampshire 865 Freeling Drive Sarasota, Fl. 34242 Situated on Bay Island, the Hampshire residence is a very warm and inviting home. It is located in front of their dock on the bay, with tall trees and mature landscaping this home TS Florida. Chefs John and Bob have planned a wonderful brunch before your safe travel home.

Orzal

The Tariff - \$135 per person

The cost for the entire weekend is \$135 per attendee. This includes all four events. We are doing our best to hold down the costs...How do we do it?...Don't ask!

Please send the Tariff and menu request by Nov.15th to: Roger Meyer 2021 72nd Street NW

Bradenton, Florida 34209

* Remember, No Pay, No Play *

Accommodations

We have a number of berths available for out of town brothers on a first come, first served basis. The preliminary announcements have resulted in several brothers making early commitments. Bunks are still available.

If you are planning to attend the 21st "Little Pirates Christmas Zaf", please e-mail Jon Frick immediately, at jwfrick@tampabay.rr.com to state your intentions. We will do everything we can to find you a berth at the home of a Sun Coast brother. If we run out of berths we will recommend a centrally located hotel to you.

I would also like to remind you to bring your GPS, and your camera. We hope to see you here on the Sun Coast, December 5th.

Orrrzzagal

Jon Frick aka Mr. Clean - Flag # 200 Captain, Sun Coast Table