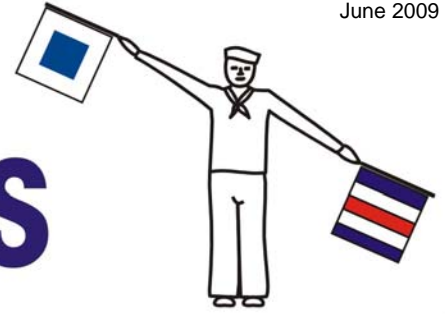




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from the commodore

For all who may not know, Judy McGraw's mother recently passed away. Please extend your condolences to her when you see her at the Club. Also one of our long time members Jon Barth recently suffered a heart attack on Monday May 25, after returning from our annual Memorial Day Nest Key picnic. He is recovering after surgery at Baptist Hospital in Miami. Cheryl Signor is maintaining contact with the family and will keep us posted on his progress.

Your new Board of Directors had their first monthly meeting and everything went smoothly. This year we have decided to assign event coordinators for all of our major regattas and special occasions. These individuals will be responsible for coordinating our menu, prep crew, cooking crew and clean-up crews, and they will be soliciting the help of our membership and assigning each one to a particular task. We would like for some fresh blood to step up and learn what it takes to plan and execute a successful event. So please when you are approached to volunteer step up! The list below shows the events through August 2009 and those responsible for the events:

- Jim Enright - Fathers Day Regatta June 21st, Bay-side PHRF
- Bill Ellis - Firecracker 4th of July (grilled mojo chicken \$8.00, Run Aground Crew & Fireworks show on Blackwater Sound)
- Larry Koenig - Dog Days, August 1 & 2

We will post as soon as possible the menu and pricing for all events that have food associated with them. Our new Fleet Captain has imposed some new operational guidelines for club power boat use and the refueling of said vessels which basically states that if you are the one using the boat make sure the fuel tanks are topped off after use. There have been many times when these boats have left the dock only to return with no fuel, so please make sure there is fuel on board after you return to shore. If there is no fuel on the property, please inform the Fleet Captain of this so that we may get some delivered.

Off calendar event planning is encouraged for the UKSC, but prior to any information going out to the membership it is requested that those wanting to plan

something bring this information to the Board of Directors for their discussion and approval. Specialty drink items are discouraged due to the fact that these items are usually more costly than what we normally serve and cater to the select few.

Jerry Creasman



from the rear commodore

June is here, the heat is on, the rain is back! come on down and see the new beach before it washes away! Father's Day is coming up so get ready for "MAN'S DAY". If it's bad for you we will be serving it, low country boil, deep fried turkeys, chicken wings and what ever else we can through on the cooker, Ferrel cats, squirrels, maybe we can lasso a manatee and drag it up the beach and BBQ it, YUMMY! The Run Aground Crew tour bus will be parked close to the beach for those Ca-jun tunes and of course NASCAR on the out side TV, YEEEEEE HAW, bring your wives, girlfriends or both. Going to try to round up a work party to try to get them plants in the ground and and make it purdy out by the porch, will let youall know. Don't forget to tip your bar-tenders and always BE KIND TO YOUR REAR.

Bill Ellis



from the fleet captain

Check the calendar and get ready for some great racing. The Great Greased Watermelon Grab is coming up in June.

Also in June is the Fathers' Day Regatta. There are still a couple of spots open for PRO's for summer races. Our ever amazing race committee, Ginette Hughes and Barb Short, have come up with a check list for PRO's that make it easy and even make ME seem competent! So don't just watch from shore. Come out and enjoy the fun on the water.

One more reminder to make sure if you are the skipper on the Hobie skiff or the pontoon boat to TOP OFF THE TANK.

That's it for now.
Check your plugs!

Jim Enright



from the vice commodore

We have new associate members: The Guth Family – Mitch, Lori, son Ryan and daughter Kai. Ryan is active in the MSYSP.

Our membership count is:

Total members	143
Regular	92
Associate	47
Junior	4
Founder	4
Founder Associate	1
Life Regular	1

Marylou Chambers

new members



**Mitch, Kai, Lori, and Ryan Guth,
Associate membership**



from the secretary

I am always looking for new material for our newsletter Signals. I am open to suggestions for articles, news or features you would like to see. And I always need pictures of our activities. Don't forget about the Swap Shop, which is now included in Signals. Look around your place or your boat – you are bound to have something to sell or trade.

Send all your suggestions, ads, and pictures to me at sarakahler@aol.com or to Cris Sandifer, crissan-difer@bellsouth.net.

See you at the Club!

Sara Kahler

founders award



Andy Sikora was presented with the Founders Award at Change of Watch, but he was unable to be there to receive it. An in-person presentation was made at the Annual General Membership Meeting on May 29th.



race committee committee

It's time again for the slippery fun known as the Great Greased Watermelon Grab! We still need watermelon grabbers to help retrieve and reset the melons in between the heats. You know the drill, contact Barb (barb@the-helm.com) or Ginette (ginette330@bellsouth.net) to be a melon helper.

Two weeks later we have Portsmouth racing on Saturday and PHRF racing on Sunday, June 20 & 21. Dennis and Sara Kahler are the PROs for the weekend. If you would like to help out on race committee with Dennis and Sara get in touch with Barb or Ginette. And if we don't hear from you we know where you live and will hunt you down anyway. Evil LOL!

Barb Short and Ginette Hughes

nest key picnic





board of directors

Commodore	Jerry Creasman
Vice Commodore	Marylou Chambers
Rear Commodore	Bill Ellis
Fleet Captain	Jim Enright
Treasurer	Judy McGraw
Secretary	Sara Kahler
2-year Director	Pat McLaughlin
Director	Barbara Bauman
Director	Tim Cotton
Director	Larry Koenig
Director	Joe Worley



youth sailing program

Our spring sailing season has come to an end on a high note. The Hank Gartner Regatta was a success for our Green Fleet. Even though no other clubs came, our kids had a great day on the water sailing in their final regatta with coach Ian. Participation awards went to Ben Althouse, Luke Slosar, Chris Slosar and Joshua Bernstein who was there to cheer with a broken thumb! 3rd place went to Sam Baker, 2nd to Ryan Guth and 1st to Garrett Munshower.

We want to thank our race committee Cris and Bob Sandifer and Susan Holtzworth. Thanks also to Dick Baker for getting the boats in racing condition and providing a special coach boat for Ian for his final regatta.

Our summer sailing camps are filling up and we expect a great summer.

Lynda Munshower

upcoming events

June 2009

Summer Solstice Greased Watermelon Run	POSTPONED New date to be announced
Membership Committee Mtg.	Tuesday, 06/16, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Directors Mtg.	Thursday, 06/18, 7:30 p.m.
Portsmouth Summer Series #2	Saturday, 06/20 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 1 p.m.
Father's Day PHRF Bayside	Sunday, 06/21 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 1 p.m.

July 2009

Firecracker Regatta	Saturday, 07/04-Sunday 07/05
Portsmouth followed by cookout and Runaround Crew	Saturday, 07/04 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 1 p.m.
Firecracker PHRF	Sunday, 07/05 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 1 p.m.
Portsmouth Summer Series #3	Saturday, 07/18 Skippers' mtg. noon, 1st flag 1 p.m.
Membership Committee Mtg.	Tuesday, 07/21, 7:30 p.m.
Board of Directors Mtg.	Thursday, 07/23, 7:30 p.m.



MSYSP Summer Sailing Program Learn to Sail This Summer

June 15-19 Beginner Sailing	July 13-17 Beginner Sailing
June 22-26 Beginner Sailing	July 20-24 Intermediate Sailing
June 29-July 3 Intermediate Sailing	July 27-31 Learn to Race
July 6-10 Beginner Sailing	

When: Classes Run from 8:30 am to 3 pm Monday through Friday.

Where: Upper Keys Sailing Club
100 Ocean Bay Drive, Key Largo

Cost: \$200 a week.

The camp provides boats for sailing, a certified instructor, bottled water during the day, and a pizza party for lunch on the last day of class.

For more information contact Lynda Munshower
lyndamunshower@hotmail.com or call 305-304-0036



swap shop

Send your ads for Swap Shop to Sara Kahler
(sarakahler@aol.com)

WANTED: Sunfish.

Dan Hazel, 305-434-0195 or info@danghazel.com

FOR SALE. **Charisma, 21 ½ foot Windward**, a factory-built Lugar design. New Calvert sails plus extra set of sails. 3 HP Mercury. Furling jib. Rigged to be sailed by one person from cockpit. Located in Stillwright Point. Asking \$2500.

Denny Kahler, 305-453-3379 or dennisjkahler@aol.com.



WANTED: I am looking for a **used trailer or dolly suitable for a Sunfish.**

Geri Smith, 305 853-0989 or gssmth42@gmail.com

FREE: We have a brand new **Manta Sun Shade**. It doesn't fit on our boat. It is free for anyone interested. Doug Moore, 863-712-5998 or dodiaaks@hotmail.com

FOR SALE: **14' sliding seat fiberglass rowboat**, technically a "pulling boat" not a scull, w/ a Whitehall-like stern. Purchased new in 1980's, 1 seat and 1 set 9' sculling oars on Pian-



tidosi frame, with choice of 3 rowing stations for balance in taking passenger or setting up with 2nd rowing seat & oars. Good exercise or back country touring boat. Cost \$2200 new, asking \$800 but will consider all offers. Debby Lloyd 852-5230.

FREE: **130 feet of 5/16" chain**, some rust. Free to good home. Larry Koenig, HSKoenig@aol.com

FOR SALE: **GLANDER CAY "PENNY B"**

Call Dermot, 305-522-6926
or dermothenssny@ireland.com

FOR SALE: **Chrome Winch** --- Barlow #19 --- Self tailing \$100

Lee Mielke, 305 852 8158

tib press release

The Upper Keys Sailing Club celebrated its 21st, ladies only, running of the "Presidents Cup", as well as the "TIB Regatta" held recently in Key Largo from their bayside homeport in Buttonwood Sound. In 1988, Ruth Ackerman, president of TIB Bank of the Keys at that time, founded this prestigious annual sailing event. Since the inception of the regatta, TIB Bank has been its biggest community supporter, contributing over \$11,000, to assist the non-profits mission.

Leah Soares White, Fleet Captain, recognized TIB Banks timeless efforts toward supporting the Upper Keys Sailing Clubs mission and presented John Crandon, TIB VP/Commercial Loan Officer and Sharon Berry, TIB's AVP/Sr. Compliance Analyst, as well as the Clubs Secretary, with a plaque in recognition of 21 years of contribution. "The Board of Directors and all the club members would like to thank TIB for its continued support, stated White. "Their annual donation and support allows us to continue our non-profit mission and we greatly appreciate that."

The Sailing Club, with over 300 members from around the world, was founded in 1973. Besides offering sailing lessons through their "Mark Sorensen Youth Sailing Program", they also support the Coral Shores High School Sailing Club. For more information about the sailing club and how you can become involved, visit their website at www.upperkeyssailingclub.com.



(L-R) John Crandon, TIB Bank VP/Commercial Loan Officer, Leah Soares White, Upper Keys Sailing Fleet Captain, and Sharon Berry, AVP, Sr. Compliance Analyst



youtube video

Check out Larry Thorson's video of our Nest Key picnic:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J-MYV3zKnJM>