

Underway



Newsletter of the Barbour River Yacht Club

Underway is published sort of when the spirit moves us. Its considered purpose is to issue resounding calls to arms, trumpet ringing praises, declaim bitter denunciations, project pregnant persiflage, and generally entertain the writer. This may require bizarre combination of all the above, as the occasion demands.

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Greetings from the banks of the mighty Barbour River:

So far, Mother Nature has smiled on us this year and not repeated visits from the likes of Mathew and Irma. Michael threatened but then mostly bypassed us to the NW.



Fortunately we had reinforced the banks south of the hoist as well as our bulkheads with many loads from the rip-rap brick pile. One big tree is down and will be cut up for the Free Firewood Pile. The likelihood of these unwelcome, blow-hard intruders is now receding for this year, so keep your fingers crossed. Meanwhile, the intense heat is backing off, and the best parts of Summer and Fall are upon us.



If a man speaks in the middle of a forest or far out at sea, and there is no woman around to hear him, is he still wrong?

(Bunny says yes!)



We are planning a Fall Get-together for the 10th of November and asking all those that can join us to bring an appetizer to share along with their personal beverages. We feel sure you will be able make a meal of it if necessary! As usual we have no idea how many will be able to attend.

We have a working stove, oven and microwave if you need to heat something.



The Club will furnish the paper items and cups. It will be nice to have a fire in our fire pit and Bunny will have S'mores fixings and hot coffee available.

The New Year has brought us new members and neighbors. It will be nice to catch up with all of you! **We will hold forth from 5pm to 8pm.** Also, we have discovered from experience that it is best if our pets are left at home.



The hoists are working well, thanks to some rework on the control wiring by Steve Ellis, but occasionally someone will forget to put them back under cover when done. Once water gets into the case, they soon develop electrical problems.

Please help us keep them out

of the rain.

For Barbour Islanders who need dock repairs, Mindi Morrall says that Dock Supply has a barge and crane there working for a while on jobs already booked. Moving the barge is a big deal, so your best price would come while they are already working there. (912) 884-3443 or mindi@docksupply.com

I also understand that The McCurdy Company will be working on a rip-rap project for several Barbour Island property owners soon, if they can get the permitting process squared away.



The inflation number has just been announced by the Social Security Administration in the form of their COLA or Cost of Living Adjustment. (All us old guys on the dole will receive a 2.8% increase.) Unfortunately, the number also means that BRYC charges must rise by this percentage just to stay even with expenses, because everything else did.

This makes our **dues for next year** \$714.46 which we will round down to **\$714** even. Goulds Landing members will be at \$614. We will leave the initiation fee at \$150, since it doesn't have costs attached.

Storage Stall 1 will be	\$1578
Stalls 2-6 will be	\$1460
Stalls 7 and 12 will be	\$2035
Stall 8-11	\$1978

We will leave the concrete pads and open storage where they are @ \$400 and \$200.

We have one of the larger stalls, #8 (14x45 ft.), available. The old rate still applies for the next year if you book it before January 1st. Hopefully 2.8% won't scare anyone away, but I am still working on some less expensive covered storage.

Sorry about all that, but there is a price for prosperity just like everything else. If you, like me, feel that this prosperity somehow passed you by this year, have an extra drink at the November 10th party and I'll join you.

I called an old school friend and asked what was he doing. He replied that he is working on "Aqua-thermal treatment of ceramics, aluminum and steel under a constrained environment".

I was impressed.....

On further enquiring I learned that he was washing dishes with hot water....under his wife's supervision.

Bunny needs your email addresses so we can let you know if the hoists are down or some other calamity has popped up – just so you won't make a trip without warning. If you haven't been getting email from us occasionally, send us one with your name so we can pick it up. Send to:

mail@barbourriverclub.com

A Scottish Friendship Wish

May there always be work for your hands to do;

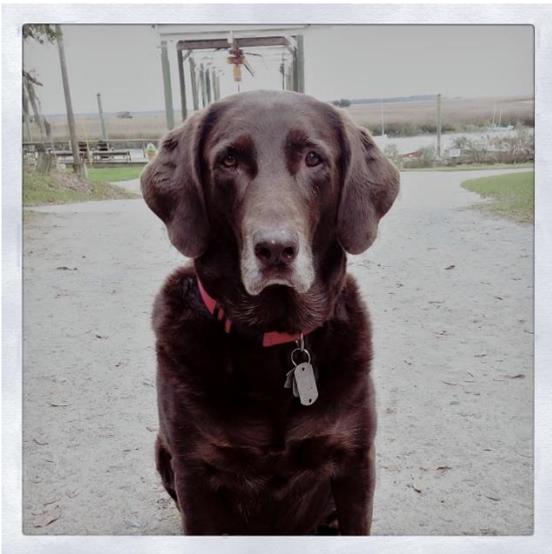
May your purse always hold a coin or two;

May the sun always shine on your windowpane;

May a rainbow be certain to follow each rain;

May the hand of a friend always be near you;

May your heart always fill with gladness to cheer you.



The dog is a gentleman. I hope to go to his heaven and not man's. Mark Twain



We have sad news to report.

Bunny and I lost our cherished Chocolate Lab companion, Buddy. The three of us have been inseparable friends since we adopted him

as an adult 10 years ago, and I know he had special friendships with many club members. We miss him terribly, but we were together until his last breath on September 2nd, and we are very thankful that he was in our lives for so long.

John Underwood

