



Towline

Hernando Beach Yacht Club

August 2020

Commodore's Corner

Bill Vogel



Commodore Patti Ames

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I write this August Commodore's Corner submission with a heavy heart. Our dear friend and long-time Yacht Club member, Bill Vogel, passed away peacefully on July 3, 2020 with family by his side. As it says in his obituary on [page 5](#), Heaven gained an angel on that day.

Even though we were faced with the restrictions from the pandemic, many HBYC Members attended the funeral mass held on July 6th at St. Theresa Catholic Church and the burial immediately following Mass at Grace Memorial Gardens. Although I was unable to attend the funeral mass, because of health issues, Ann told me that the service was lovely.

I read once *"The journey of grief is long and those who walk it should not have to walk it alone"*. In times like these nothing takes the place of family and friends. For this reason,

at her request,

Ann and her family and a few close friends (less than 20 total) got together at the Club outside, downstairs, after the funeral. Ann was incredibly grateful that she and her family were able to share this time together and look out over the water from the Club that Bill loved.



Bill and Ann Vogel, married 65 years

Our hearts reach out to Ann and her devastating loss of the man to whom she was married for 65 years. We will hold a Celebration of Life for Bill once the Club is open again.

I will close with my favorite Irish Blessing:

May the road rise to meet you,

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2020 Bridge and Board Members

Bridge Members

Commodore
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VACANT

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Budget and Finance
Terry Lemmons

Membership
Patti Ames

Planning
Jim Secrest

Building and Grounds
Ralph Kennedy

Ways & Means/Social
Susan Myers

Memorial/Repast
Susan Myers

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• Donna Savage
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• Lidia Verdon
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Commodore
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Life Members

• P/C & Mrs. Don Bendickson

• P/C Sally Cosenza

• Mrs. Betty Ferguson

• Mrs. Jan Johnson

• Mrs. Stella Kelly

• P/C Bill & P/C
Carmen Lavin

• P/C Dan McCann

• P/C Hank Quattro

• P/C Jim Secrest

• Mrs. Nancy Tooman

• P/C Dick Weichman

Appointed

Bar Manager
Susan Myers

Bartenders

- Susan Myers
- Rose Procopio
- Patti Ames (back-up)
- Jill Prindle

Kitchen Manager
Susan Myers

Rental Manager
Rose Procopio

Chaplain
Stella De Jesus-Kelly

Dock Master
Dennis O'Keefe

Roster
Suzanne Lemmons

Historian
VACANT

Towline
Terrence Dunne

Webmaster
Fred Ganz

Ass't Webmaster
Terrence Dunne

My Yacht

The Sloop Lucy Maria Dunia

Charlie Jacobs Morgan 383 Sailboat

We purchased Lucy Maria Dunia after she and her previous owner completed a six-month Caribbean passage in July, 2017.

A friend and I spent the next two-and-a-half weeks cruising from Riverside Marina in Ft. Pierce, FL, hopping around the Florida Keys to Hernando Beach, arriving on August 4, 2017.

Tropical Storm Emily

We were caught in Tropical Storm Emily and a smaller storm system the next day about 15 miles southwest of Hernando Beach.

Favorite Day On The Water

My favorite day on the water was June 23, 2018. My granddaughter, Jasmine, and my great granddaughter, Carmen Maria, went out for a day sail.

Shake Down

Werner from Hernando Beach Marina and I took the boat on a ten-day shakedown cruise to

Tampa and Sarasota Bay areas in March 2018. We picked up

two more crewmen in Tarpon Springs after anchoring overnight in the Anclote River.

We anchored at Maximo Park in St. Petersburg. The next day we sent

the dinghy to pick up another passenger for a day of sail train-



Charlie Jacobs with granddaughter Carmen Maria Abre' Jacobs

1982 Morgan 383
Built by Morgan Yacht,
St. Petersburg, FL, USA

- Length: 38'
- Beam: 12'
- Displacement: 18,000 lbs
- Draft: 5"
- Engine: Perkins 4-108 Diesel 50 HP

ing in Tampa Bay.

Visit to St. Petersburg

After the crew departed that evening, Werner and I visited my sister and brother who live in St. Petersburg, FL.

Gulf Intracoastal Waterway

A few days later we cruised the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway down to Sarasota Bay for an overnight stay.

Returning to Maximo Park

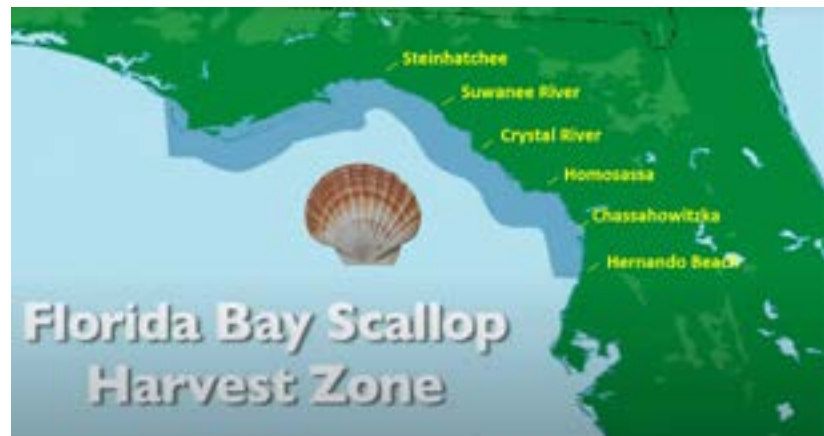
the next evening to anchor overnight, we picked up a friend who lives in Crystal River for the sail back to HBYC.



The sloop Lucy Maria Dunia

Scallop Season

Why Scalping Is So Good Here



Scallops need the right mix of salt and fresh water to survive. If rains are heavy, too much fresh water can

wipe out a crop. Too salty the same.

Florida's prime scallop grounds — Steinatchee, Suwanee River, Homosassa, Crystal River, Chassahowitzka, Hernando Beach — have the perfect combination of fresh and salt water.

A slack tide is the best time for scalping. The sea grass is straight up. The scallops hide in its lushness.

Scallop season along Florida's Gulf Coast varies by location. It is legal to gather scallops north of the Pasco-Hernando (Aripeka) county line to the west bank of the Mexico Beach Canal in Bay County (near Panama City).

It is legal to land up to two gallons of whole bay scallops in the shell, or one pint of scallop meat each day during the open season. Recreational scallopers may not possess more than 10 gallons of



The scallop's row of blue eyes can mesmerize even long-time scallopers. They say many old-timers have returned empty-handed, hesitating at the moment of truth.

whole bay scallops in the shell or a half gallon of meat aboard any boat.

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Commodore Patti Ames

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sunshine warm on your face,

The rains fall soft upon your fields.

And until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Godspeed Bill

Patti Ames

In Memoriam

William J. Vogel, Jr 1934 – 2020

William J Vogel, Jr, 85, of Spring-Hill, FL, passed away peacefully on July 3, 2020 with his family by his side. On that day Heaven gained an angel.

Bill was born October 28, 1934, in New York City, NY, to William and Martha Vogel (Taylor). Bill was retired from Ford Motor Company after 30 years of service. Prior to retiring to Florida, Bill was the owner operator of the Demerest Hotel in Warwick, NY, as well as Fire Captain of the Good Will Hook and Ladder Volunteer Fire Company in Warwick.

Bill was a dedicated and loving

husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was devoted

he loved to share to entertain the people closest to him.



Bill and Ann on their Wedding anniversary.

to Ann, the love of his life to whom he was married for 65 years.

Bill will be remembered for his devotion to family, and the life stories

A Good Man

I stood near the bar holding a drink when Bill Vogel walked up smiling and introduced himself. I was new at the Club and didn't know what to expect the first time.

Bill was warm friendly, a pleasure to talk with. I looked more closely at this good-looking man and realized he was doing his best to put

me at ease.

He kept on that way. Always said hello, always exchanged the courtesies. He was like that with everyone.

They don't make them better than Bill. He was a good man. A real good man.

— Terry Dunne

He loved living in Florida. He loved the water and enjoyed all his outdoor toys, and tinkering in his workshop.

Bill was an active member of the Hernando Beach Yacht Club and The Hernando Beach Club.

Bill is survived by his wife Ann, three children:

daughter Ann Marie Moore and husband Pete, son Robert Vogel and wife Nancy, and son William Vogel,

He is also survived by nine grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren. He was predeceased by his grandson Peter Moore Jr.

Bill will be missed by all who knew and loved him.



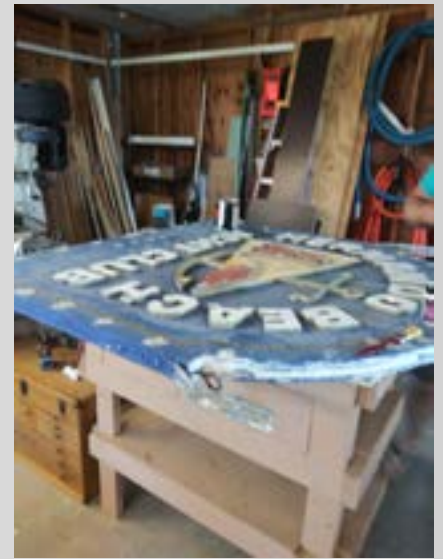
HBYC's New Sign



Terry Lemmons takes down the sign



Suzanne and Terry Lemmons go to work



Top of the old sign



Bottom of the old sign



A touch here...



A touch there...



Almost finished



Hoisting the sign by pickup truck



All done