



Towline

Hernando Beach Yacht Club

May 2021

Commodore's Corner



Commodore Patti Ames

We're Opening!

Is everyone ready to open the Club????!!

Many of us have been working hard to get things ready and by the time you read this we will have completed the final preparations to open our doors once again.

On Wednesday, May 5th, we will celebrate our opening with a **Cinco de Mayo Party**. Doors will open at 5:30 and we will have a **Mexican Potluck**. In order to attend the party you must bring a dish to share (one dish per couple is fine). I sent out some ideas of things to make or purchase.

Cinco de Mayo is an annual celebration

to commemorate the Mexican Army's victory over the French Empire at the **Battle of Puebla**, on May 5, 1862, under the leadership of **General Ignacio Zaragoza**. Cinco de Mayo was first celebrated in the United States in Southern California in 1863 as a show of solidarity with Mexico against French rule. In many ways, we all have been fighting a battle for over a year. And while vaccines are not a silver bullet, life will finally start to go back to normal in 2021. I call that a victory worth celebrating.

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As part of the Club's April 28th Bartending seminar, Bar & Restaurant Manager Sue Myers pours water as she teaches Club members to make drinks. [See page 4.](#)



2021 Bridge and Board Members

Bridge Officers

Commodore
P/C Patti Ames
206-919-8921

Vice Commodore
Susan Myers
845-551-9346

Rear Commodore
Ralph Kennedy
813-480-3015

Fleet Captain
Donna Savage
352-442-4942

Treasurer
Terry Lemmons
352-600-2580

Planning Committee
VACANT

Secretary
Judie Kennedy
813-469-6191

**Asst. Secretary/
Treasurer**
Suzanne Lemmons
352-639-1040

Committee Chairs

Budget and Finance
Terry Lemmons

Membership
Patti Ames

Building and Grounds
Ralph Kennedy

Ways & Means/Social
Susan Myers

Memorial/Repast
Susan Myers

Board Members

- P/C Mike Belshaw
352-683-0537
- P/C Dick Weichman
352-597-2535
- P/C 3 Aaron Nangle
Immediate Past Commodore
727-916-0001
- Rose Procopio
352-549-0395
- Terrence Dunne
352-999-1576
- Jeff Prindle
440-251-5024

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/C3 Aaron Nangle
- 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

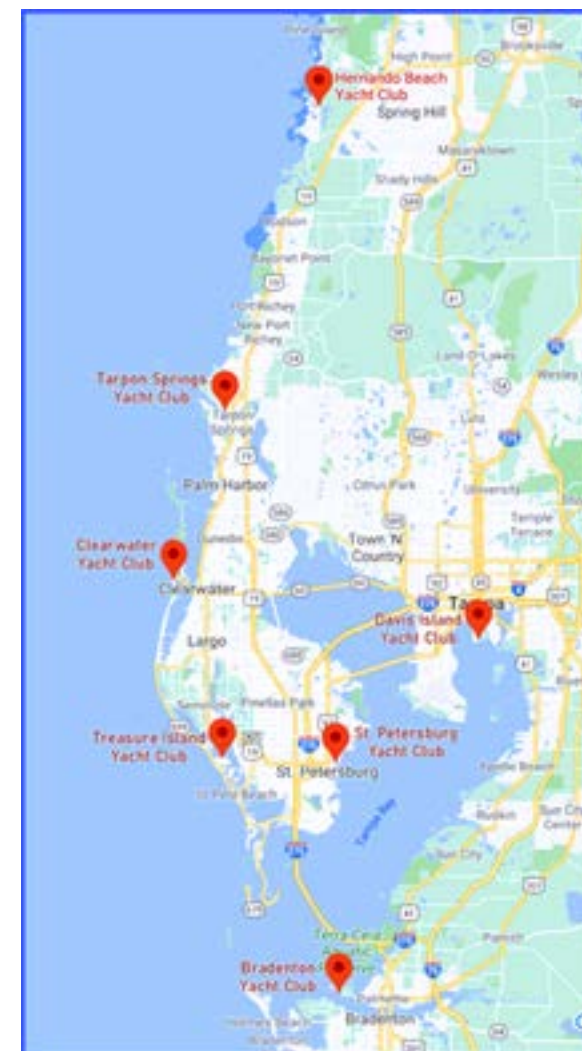
Historian
VACANT

Towline Newsletter
Terrence Dunne

Webmaster
Terrence Dunne



May Birthdays	May Anniversaries
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 4 Rose Procopio • May 26 Hank Quattro • May 28 Bobbie Matassa 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • May 5, 1961 Mike & Mary Lou Belshaw



Nearby Yacht Clubs

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Commodore Patti Ames

We will also be gathering for another celebration this May as **Life Member and Past Commodore Hank Quattro** turns 100. Hank was Commodore in 1993 and has been a member since 1987! We will be holding a **Wednesday Night Dinner at the Club** in his honor on his actual birthday May 26th. So mark your calendars!

Our Club will also hold two rentals this month; a **Baby Shower** on Saturday May 8th and an **Engagement Party** on May 22nd. Volunteers overseeing and working at those rentals include **Vice Commodore Susan Myers, Tom Owen, John Ames, Donna Savage, P/C Dick Weichman, Rear Commodore Ralph Kennedy** and myself.



Remember our Club completely relies on the participation of our members and we are always looking for volunteers. This year more than ever we need to come together and make our Club better than ever!

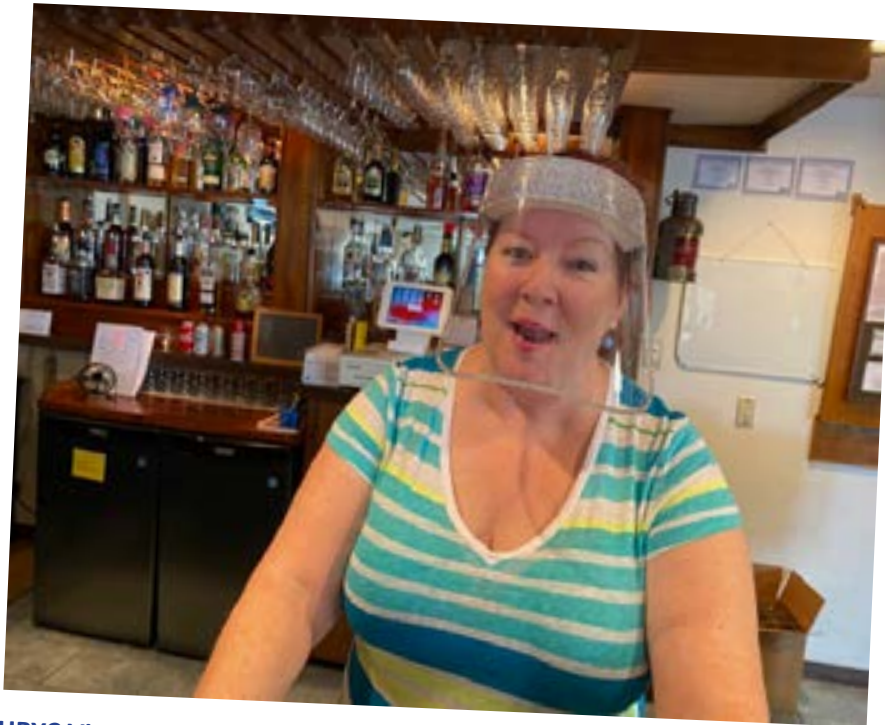
Patti Ames

Short Stories, Poetry History

Much can be written about our beautiful Hernando Beach by the sea. Submissions of poetry, short stories, and local history anecdotes will be accepted for future issues of the Towline.

Brevity is valued. For example, a typical poem could fill one, maybe two columns in the Towline's triple-column format. A short story or historical anecdote might take up a whole page but no more. The goal is to make HBYC's Towline newsletter more interesting to its readers. Send submissions to tdunne3@tampabay.rr.com

Susan Myers Leads HBYC's Bartending Seminar



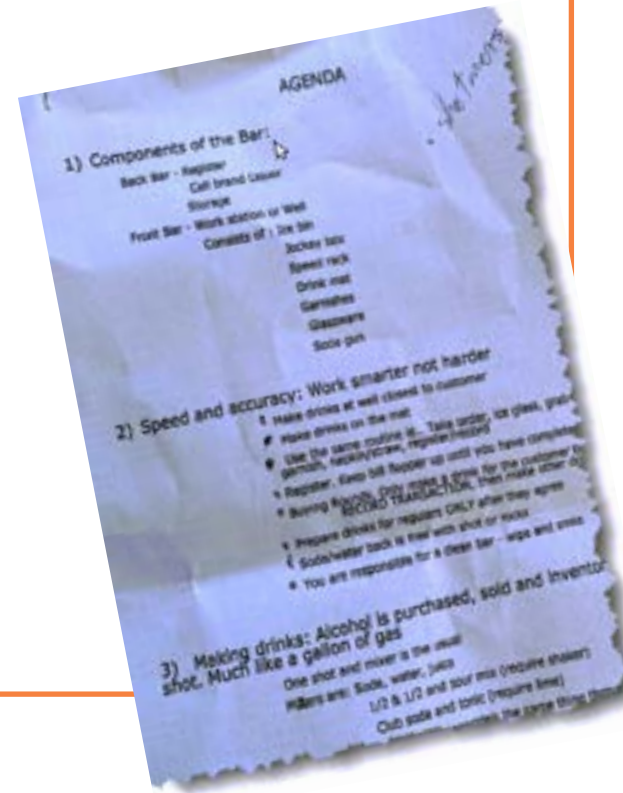
HBYC Vice Commodore and Bar & Kitchen Manager Susan Myers, in bejeweled coronavirus shield, welcomes Club Members to the Yacht Club bar as she tutors the rudiments of bartending.

Club Members Wet Their Whistles

Plenty of cocktails were poured at HBYC's April 28th Bartending Seminar led by HBYC Vice Commodore (and Bar & Kitchen Manager) Susan Myers. But it was for practice only and the drinks were water mixed with water.

Some knowledge from the seminar:

- There are only seven kinds of booze — Bourbon, Gin, Rye, Rum, Scotch, Tequila, and Vodka. From these, all cocktails are made.
- The taller the glass, the weaker the drink. Ice is your friend. The less ice, the weaker the drink.
- When pouring, hold the bottle at the base of the neck with the heel of your hand. Count to 4 for one shot, to 2 for a half shot.
- Martinis, Manhattans, and Rob Roys are made and served the same way, "Straight Up" or "On the Rocks", either crackling cold, shaken, or stirred.
- Less Vermouth makes a drier cocktail. Always pour the Vermouth first. For a really dry Martini, just shake the Vermouth bottle near the Gin or Vodka bottle so that the Gin or Vodka spies the Vermouth. Just a glimpse will do.



The agenda for the HBYC Bartending Seminar: "Alcohol is purchased, sold, and inventoried by the shot, much like a gallon of gas."



Club members practice bartending technique, (L-R) Rear Commodore Ralph Kennedy, Club Secretary Judie Kennedy, Asst Secretary/Treasurer Suzanne Lemmons, Treasurer Terry Lemmons, Commodore Patti Ames and hub John Ames.



Practice how you pour. Club Members Tom Owen and Barbara Keener practice pouring technique.



"No, not that way. This way". Sue Myers points out the finer aspects of cocktail construction.

Past Commodore Hank Quattro's 100th Birthday

Past Commodore Hank Quattro turns 100 years old May 26th. Hank was HBYC Commodore in 1993. A birthday celebration is planned for him at the Club.



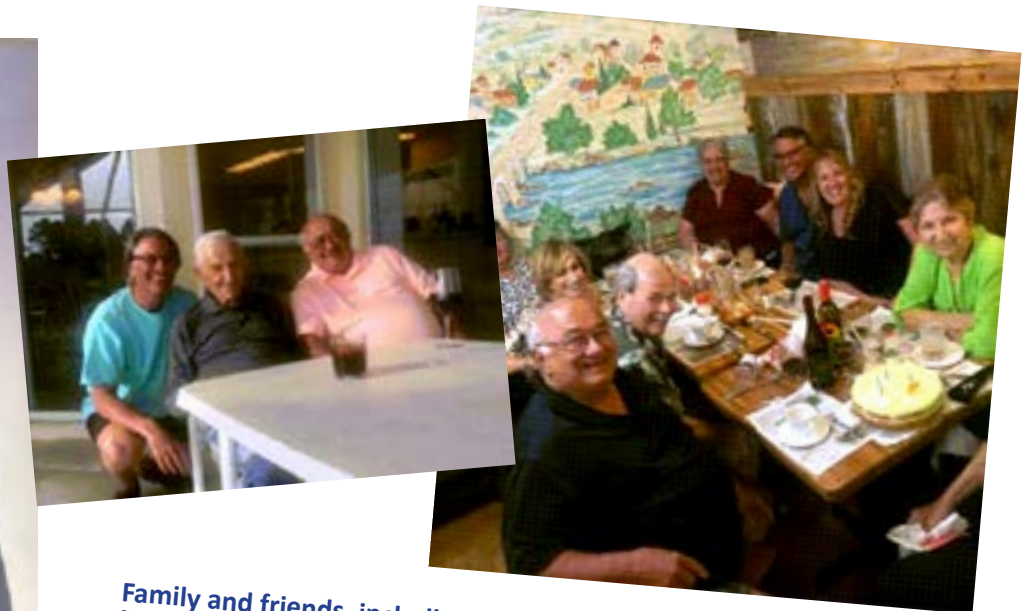
Hank celebrates his centenary dining with family.



For whom the bell tolls. It tolls for the newly elected officers as Hank rings the Club bell at the 2020 installation of HBYC officers.



Commodore Hank Quattro in 1993.



Family and friends, including Carol Rockwell, celebrate Hank's 100th birthday.