



Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club

NEWSLETTER April 2014



Monthly
Meeting



April Luncheon

April 3th, 2014
11:30 Registration

Location:
Lauderdale Yacht Club

1725 SE 12th Street
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
(954) 524-5500

Speaker:
TO BE ANNOUNCED

Cost for Members & Guests \$25

RSVP for the luncheon via the website

www.ftlmc.org

*on the Event Calendar or by email: Arlene
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TO GET THE NEWS WHILE IT'S STILL NEW...

You no longer need to wait for the next newsletter to get information on upcoming events and items of interest to FLMC members. All individual news items will be posted on the club website, www.ftlmc.org, as soon as they have been vetted by the Yeoman or another club officer.

SEND THE NEWS WHILE IT'S STILL NEW!

If you have information on an upcoming event or item of interest to the FLMC members, please send the details to your Yeoman, Michelle Otero Valdés, at mov@chaloslaw.com, or any other club officer. They are listed in this newsletter. We'll do our best to get the information posted on the club website as quickly as possible. The information will also be published in the monthly newsletter, if appropriate. Just let us know by the 20th of each month, so it can be included in the newsletter.

Industry Corners

Calling all aspiring writers for our Industry Corner! This section of the newsletter highlights a different aspect of our industry each month. This month, we have an interesting reprint of a sailor's story from Hugh Turnour England, courtesy of our friends at the Connecticut Maritime Association. If you are interested in educating the membership in what you do, please provide your own submission, such as:

- Legal Corner
- Repair/Refit Corner
- Insurance Corner
- Surveyor's Corner
- Sailor's Corner

Please submit your article for consideration by the 20th of each month of 500 words or less to Michelle Otero Valdes at mov@chaloslaw.com.





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PLEASE NOTE: Due to increasing costs, the monthly lunch costs to members and guests are increasing to \$25.00 beginning April 2014.



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About Us

The Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club is dedicated to the promotion of ethical business practices among the sea-going community as well as the circulation of accurate and useful information to the boating community.

Our membership includes professional and leisure boating enthusiasts, as well as industry experts and professionals in many disciplines from around the world.

Join Us

We welcome your interest in the Mariners Club and invite you to become an active member to the benefit of each of us individually and all of us as a community.

The easiest way to join is to attend a monthly meeting as a guest of a current member.

Request an application form from an officer, complete it and mail it with your check for \$50.00 to the Mariners Club for consideration by the membership committee. Two sponsors are required.

If you want to join and do not know an active member, contact Kristene Lundblad at klundblad@lankoil.com.

Please visit our website at
www.ftlmc.org
to find out more about us!

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE FORT LAUDERDALE MARINERS CLUB MARCH 2014 LUNCHEON

On March 6th, 2014, FLMC Members and guests gathered at the Embassy Suites Hotel to hear from our speaker, Lesley Warrick, Executive Director of the Seafarer's House on the Seafarer's House Mission. The discussion reminds us that it does not take much to help the most vulnerable people in our industry--the seafarers that get 90% of the world's products to their ultimate destination. Lesley also discussed the upcoming International Golden Compass Award Dinner in April. We hope you will join us for our next luncheon, details on the first page of this Newsletter.



2014
International Golden Compass
AWARD DINNER

Photos Courtesy of Seafarers House



Sailor's Corner: WW I: Dardanelles and Gallipoli Campaign

By Rear Admiral Sir Hugh Turnour England

England (1889-1978) served in the cruiser Doris during the Boer War and was landed in Mossel Bay in 1901. On the outbreak of war in 1914, he was in command of the TBD Chelmer. He saw service in her at the Dardanelles and later commanded the destroyer Harpy in the Aegean where he was severely wounded in both legs below the knees. More can be found on England at <http://www.nhcra-online.org/gallery/rnofficers/england.htm>.

HMS "Harpy" 1916

After the evacuation of Gallipoli Captain Coode kindly allowed me to go home on leave and arranged for me to be appointed to the "Harpy", a Beagle class destroyer then refitting at Southampton, where I relieved my old friend, Gerald Dickens. I travelled home overland with another friend, Edward Courtney Boyle, who had been awarded a Victoria Cross for being the first submarine to break through the minefield at the Narrows and operate in the Sea of Marmora.

We had an interesting journey across Europe spending a day in Rome where I remember admiring the young Italian ladies who carried themselves so well in the Via Roma. On arrival in London I lunched with his family in Onslow Square and it was delightful to see how proud his father was of him. At lunch we heard that Winston Churchill was going to make a speech in the House of Commons that afternoon, appealing for the return of Sir John Fisher to the Admiralty, so we decided to go hear him, and had no difficulty in being admitted to the House showing Edward Boyle's blue V.C. ribbon. It was the first and only time I had been there and it was most interesting, Winston Churchill thumping the dispatch box and Mr. A.J. Balfour looking completely unimpressed with his feet up on a sofa opposite Winston.

It must have been April 1916, that I sailed in my new destroyer, "Harpy" from Southampton to rejoin the 5th Flotilla off the Dardanelles. I remember being a rather sleepy Captain on sailing, as the previous evening I had hired a car to go to London and have dinner with a friend of mine, Geraldine Mills, whose father was Chairman of the New Zealand Shipping Company.

Asia Minor Operations

Arriving back and patrolling off the entrance to the Dardanelles was very dull but "Harpy" was soon ordered to relieve Andrew Cunningham in "Scorpion" and Adrian Keys in "Wolverine" who were carrying out active operations against the Turks on the coast of Asia Minor, between the islands of Samos and Rhodes in the Aegean Sea.

Operations against the Turks were planned by a Professor Myers, later Sir John Myers, who had been given a commission as Lieutenant-commander R.N.V.R. He was a distinguished scholar, Wykeham Professor of Ancient History and a fellow of New College, Oxford. Spending most of his holidays in peacetime on the Island of Kalymos he knew every inch of the country and had assembled some two or three hundred Greek irregulars, arming them with old Lee-Metford rifles and raided the Turkish posts on the mainland. They were always greatly superior in numbers to the Turks manning the posts, and did not hesitate to ask for covering fire from the destroyer, being encouraged by the Professor who was a fire eating old gentleman. Andrew

Cunningham had wisely had steel plates fitted round his bridge to replace the padded mattresses which were no use against rifle fire. I delayed doing this as the steel plates would have affected the compass and we had several minefields laid off the coast.

It was on 16 November 1916, that after we had done a successful raid on a Turkish post during the night in the Mandelia Gulf, "Harpy" was waiting for daylight for the irregulars and some prisoners to be brought onboard, that the Professor suggested we should go into a small landlocked bay with a village at its head called Chuluk, as he thought there was a Caique on the beach which should be destroyed. After having a good look through my glasses at the narrow entrance, and observing some recently made trenches with loopholes on the port side, I said it was not worth the risk and I could see no signs of a Caique on the beach. The Professor then spurred me on by saying that he had often been into the bay in "Scorpion" and had encountered no enemy action, so I gave in to him saying I would go in provided I could see no signs of the trenches being occupied. Having had another good look at close range, and seeing no signs of the loopholes in the trenches being manned, I went in, but took the precaution of having no one on the upper deck except my foremost gun's crew which was completely ready for action.

The Turks held their fire as we approached but when we were abreast the trenches about a hundred yards away, they opened fire with what may have been rifles of heavy caliber and I was hit, subsiding on the bridge with my leg in two pieces. My foremost gun's crew soon quelled the rifle blasting the trenches to pieces, and I was very glad to know there were no other casualties. Professor Myers was profuse in his apologies, adding that he was sure I would recover and that after the war I must come dine with him at New College, where they did not have a very good cook but excellent Port Wine. He also observed that I was looking a bit pale and ordered my Coxswain to get me some whisky, which the latter was delighted to do bringing a tumbler of neat whisky, which did me good.

It was a foolish way to get shot but in hindsight it is never any good and afterwards I believe the raids were stopped so Professor Myers lost his job and I never met him again. After I was wounded "Harpy" was ordered to proceed to Mudros where I was placed onboard the hospital ship "Karapara" when an operation was performed on my leg before I was evacuated to Haslar Hospital in England. I travelled home in the new White Star Liner "Britannic", then fitted as a hospital ship and was treated royally, a steward bringing me the wind list at every meal, but she was torpedoed by a "U" boat on her next outward voyage when fortunately there were no casualties onboard.



The Ft. Lauderdale Mariners Club Proudly Supports:

Boys & Girls Club of Broward
County

Marine Industries Association of
South Florida

MIASF Waterway Cleanup

MIASF Plywood Regatta

South Broward High School Skills
USA Program

Seafarers House Fort Lauderdale

Shake-A Leg Miami

Women's International Shipping &
Trading Association

Fort Lauderdale Sea Cadets,
Spruance Division

2014 Officers & Chairs

Skipper: Charlie Davant

First Mate: Kristene Lundblad

Purser: Bryan Emond

Yeoman: Michelle Otero Valdés

Bosun: Arlene Weicher

Program Chair: Terry Jones

Activities Chair: Elaine Frawley

Historian: Jonathan Dunleavy

Seminar Chair: Hector Ramirez

Historical Derivation of Maritime Words and Phases

There are few of us who have not at one time or another been admonished to "mind our Ps and Qs," or in other words, to behave our best. Oddly enough, "mind your Ps and Qs" had nautical beginnings as a method of keeping books on the waterfront.



In the days of sail when sailors were paid a pittance, seafarers drank their ale in taverns whose keepers were willing to extend credit until payday. Since many salts were illiterate, keepers kept a talley of pints and quarts consumed by each sailor on a chalkboard behind the bar. Next to each person's name a mark was made under "P" for pint or "Q" for quart whenever a seaman ordered another draught.

On pay day, each seafarer was liable for each mark next to his name, so he was forced to "mind his Ps and Qs" or get into financial trouble. To ensure an accurate count by unscrupulous keepers, sailors had to keep their wits and remain somewhat sober. Sobriety usually ensured good behavior, hence the meaning of "mind your Ps and Qs."



Nautical Dates in April

April 1, 1946

Massive tsunami triggered
by Alaskan earthquake

April 20, 2010

Deepwater Horizon drilling
Rig explosion in Gulf of Mexico

April 28, 1789

British sailors mutiny aboard
HMS BOUNTY

April 11, 1859

Mark Twain receives steamboat
pilot license

April 24, 1916

Sir Ernest Shackleton sets off
in the JAMES CAIRD for the 800
mile journey to Antarctica

April 14, 1912

RMS TITANIC strikes iceberg
at 11:45 p.m. and sinks 2.5
hours later with loss of 815 pax

April 27, 1865

Mississippi Steamer SULTANA
explodes 1,600 die

PRISON FOR CAPTAIN FISH

Five Years for Burning His Yacht to Get \$15,000 Insurance

BOSTON, March 13. — Capt. John A. Fish of New York was sentenced today to five years in the Federal prison at Atlanta for burning his yacht Senta in Edgartown Harbor on Oct. 25, 1910, in order to gain \$15,000 insurance money.

An appeal on a writ of error was taken by counsel, which acted as a stay, but Fish's bail was increased from \$10,000 to \$15,000. It was furnished by a surety company and he was released.

In moving sentence, United States District Attorney French said that Fish when 21 years old deserted from the United States Army. At that time he was an orderly at West Point.

Several friends of the prisoner from New York asked the court to be lenient and his counsel recounted the bravery while in the British Army in South Africa which earned him service medals.

The fire that destroyed the yacht occurred at night. Fish aroused his guests in time for them to escape. He denied that he knew how the blaze originated.

Article provided by Hurwitz & Fine, P.C.



The poster features a blue and white sunburst background. At the top left is the Marine Industry Cares Foundation logo, and at the top right is the '6th ANNUAL SPINATHON' logo. A central blue box contains the text 'SAVE THE DATE' and details about the event. Below this is a photo of three children giving thumbs up. A green banner at the bottom lists ways to get involved and provides contact information. The phrase 'Prepare to Pedal' is written in a large, stylized font at the very bottom, accompanied by a bicycle icon.

MARINE INDUSTRY CARES FOUNDATION

6TH ANNUAL SPINATHON

SAVE THE DATE

Join us for the 6th Annual Spin-A-Thon to support MICF and help us raise money for children and families in our community.

APRIL 25, 2014 • Esplanade Park, Fort Lauderdale

GET INVOLVED! • DONATE • RIDE • VOLUNTEER • SPONSOR
www.MarineIndustryCares.org • 954-639-5005

Prepare to Pedal

On March 15th, FLMC Members and their families gathered for our annual picnic at Snyder Park. We had great food, good music and played lots of games. On the next page is a sampling of the fun! We hope you will join us next year for this great event.



*Photos Courtesy of Art Campbell, Manny Valdes and Jonathan Dunleavy
Keep those photos coming in!!!*



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ON THE HORIZON FOR FLMC 2014

April 2014

3 – Luncheon
18 - Good Friday
20 - Easter Sunday
25 – MICF Spin-a-Thon

June 2014

_____ Dinner Cruise (TBA)
15 - Father's Day

August 2014

7 – Luncheon

October 2014

2 - Luncheon
13 - Columbus Day
28 - FLMC Seminar Golf Tournament and Meet the Speakers Reception
29/30 - FLMC Seminar
30 to Nov 3 - Fort Lauderdale Boat Show
31 - Halloween

November 2014

2 - Daylight Savings ends
11 - Veteran's Day
13 – Luncheon
27 – Thanksgiving

May 2014

1 – Luncheon
10 - Mother's Day
14/15 - Tampa Bay Mariners Seminar- St Pete Yacht Club
26 - Memorial Day

July 2014

4 - Fourth of July
18-20 - Getaway weekend—Cheeca Lodge

September 2014

1 - Labor Day
4 – Luncheon
20 - Comedy Night (Tentative)

December 2014

6 - Holiday Party—Top of Pier 66
13 - Winterfest Boat Parade
16 - Hanukkah Begins
25 - Christmas

ATTENTION MARINERS

*Announcing the 2014 Fort Lauderdale Mariners Club Getaway Weekend
July 18-20th*



MILE MARKER 82 HERE WE COME!!!

It is going to be a well deserved, relaxing, fun filled getaway

Call to make your reservations now at 1-800-327-2888 and mention the FLMC \$239 per night (Resort fee inclusive) rate. Only 15 rooms left. Please book by April 15th in order to plan activities and add more rooms if still available

Check out the website <http://www.cheeca.com>

Resort fees include:

Valet Parking or Self-Parking

Tennis Court Times – Racquets & Balls

Golf Green Fees – Clubs & Balls – tournament info to follow

Fishing Rods -First Come, First Serve

Bicycles -First Come, First Serve

Shade Cabanas for Beach Chairs -First Come, First Serve

Sea Kayaks -First Come, First Serve

Access to Spa Fitness Studio -6:30 am to 12 am, 18 years of age and older

Guest Internet Station with DSL

Wireless Internet Access -In Guest Rooms, Beach, Courtyard, Lobby and Pools

DVD Movies for In-Room Viewing

In-Room Starbucks Coffee® -Coffee services also available in Lobby from 6:30 am to 9 a.m. daily

In-Room Bottle Water -Two Bottles of Spring Water Daily

Guest Fax Service

Daily Newspaper Delivery

Local and 800 Phone Calls

Local Transportation

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