



THE HELMSMAN

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OCALA BOAT CLUB **P.O. Box 777, Ocala, FL 34478** **(a not for profit organization)**

Regular meeting 3rd Monday of each month
6:00 p.m. — Clubhouse, Ray Wayside Park
(Boat Basin at the Bridge, E. Hwy 40)

OFFICERS - YEAR 2016

Commodore	Mike Groves	(895-4193)
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Cruise Master	Chuck Boyett	(291-2079)
Secretary	Flo Hoffman	(687-1011)
Purser	Molly Lemon	(438-3345)
Past Commodore	David Rossiter	(369-9639)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Executive Board comprises the above listed officers, plus the following Directors:

Don Smith	(687-8133)	Ted Bradley	(368-1623)
Nancy Smith	(687-8133)	Chuck Lemon	(438-3345)
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Commodore's Corner:

I want to say thank you to everyone that voted for me to be your Commodore for the coming year. I look forward to ensuring that we have a fabulous and fun time.

For those of you who do not know me I am originally from Detroit Michigan. I moved to Ocala with my parents in 1960. My entire family is part of the "Gator Nation", Go Gators. I retired from the City of Ocala, Engineering Dept. in 2014 after 41 years. I am also retired from the United States Marine Corps as a Master Gunnery Sergeant and also am a Vietnam Veteran. I am a widower with two beautiful daughters in their 20's and my faithful companion "GUS", a Golden Retriever. My interests are boating/kayaking, radio control airplanes, wood working, bowling, fishing, history to name only a few.

Some of the things I am looking forward to this year as a club member is an Ocean Cruise, being in the 2017 Christmas Parade and expanding our new kayaking group.

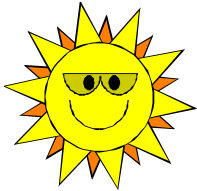
If you have any questions or concerns regarding the Ocala Boat Club or goals for this year please feel free to give me a call at (352) 351-8078 or email me at jmg2017obc@gmail.com



Knots & Notes

Molly Lemon has retired as editor of the Helmsman and we want to extend our gratitude for all the hard work and hours she put into getting the Helmsman out to us these past years. I have volunteered to take over until Mike Groves comes up with a new way of doing the Helmsman, until then am new at this but I will give it my all to get the information out.

Louise Jensen



Sunshine Wishes for Members

Please keep the following members in your thoughts and prayers –

Health Issues
Vince Druding
Maggie Pitzer
Gail Bradley





OCALA BOAT CLUB - 2017 Ocean Cruise Selection

We would like your input for the Boat Clubs 2017 Cruise selection. Please research and provide the requested information as indicated below. If you have more than one choice please use a separate page for each.

For cruises and cruise information we suggest entering cruise from florida in your search engine and you should see several cruise lines and cruise selection adds.

Please bring this page or pages to the January 16 General Meeting or return it by email as soon as possible. We have to compile the information soon in order to determining a cruise and booking information.

To email: jmg2017obc@gmail.com

Cruise Line: (Royal Caribbean, Carnival, etc): _____

Destination (Caribbean, Mexico, etc): _____

Ports of Call (St Thomas, Belize, Jamaica, etc): _____

Departure Location: (Port Canaveral, Tampa, etc): _____

Length of trip (days): _____

Time frame (Dates or Spring, Summer, etc): _____

Cost (??????):

Submitted by: _____

(OPTIONAL)

OCALA BOAT CLUB MAINTENCE

The Ocala Boat Club will be working on maintenance items at the boat club Jan 18th. Some of the items of work will be painting inside and outside areas, trimming, landscaping, removing Cypress roots and stump, moving dirt to fill in voids after root removal and resolving a void depression near our storage building which we know will require clearing and grading a shallow swale.

There will be a sign up sheet at the next meeting for those of you who would like to participate. The work will probably require the better part of the day to complete. If your available please sign up.

Thanks

Mike Groves

OBC Commodore 2017

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