

# Newsletter December 2022

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Next Meeting  
Friday, Dec 2  
HH 4:30, Meeting 5:00  
KCB Public Works  
Maintenance Bldg.  
8th Street  
Please remember to  
wear your  
member ID Badge

## FROM the HELM

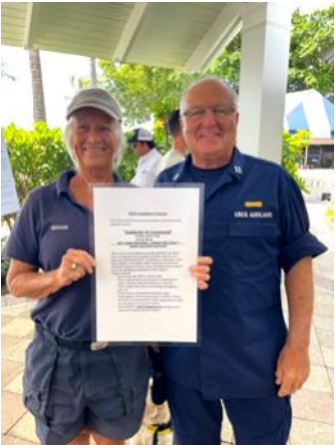
Upcoming events at a glance:

- Christmas Boat Parade
- New Year's Eve with Rick and Dayna at the Elks
- Peter Liashek lined up to come down from Ocean Reef to teach Suddenly in Command course (what do you do if something happens to your captain).  
Date to be determined.



You can pay your annual dues at the Friday meeting  
Check or Cash, \$45pp  
Bring your completed application form. Make checks payable to KCBF&BC

Left: Commodore Redding with Peter Liashek of the USCG Auxiliary displaying the certificate you will get upon completion of the Suddenly in Command course



2023 Membership Application at end of Newsletter and Tournament Entry Form pg 4

## TOURNAMENT NEWS Welcome Back Club Members!

While we have a new executive committee, some maintained their positions and most others are still supporting the Club one way or another. Former Tournament Director John Fruhmorgen is one such person and maintains a position as Fundraising Co-Chair and has committed to sharing with me all that knowledge he has gathered over his tenure as Tournament Director. We currently have 28 members entered in the fishing tournament and expect to match last seasons total of 58 members entered.

November's sponsor is Frank's Grill ([franksgriillmarathon.com](http://franksgriillmarathon.com)) sponsoring Mangrove Smackdown gift certificates for 1st and 2nd place heaviest fish in both Champion and Tailchaser divisions. For December, and remember, this is the only month of our season that a black grouper can be harvested, is our 3rd Generation Plumbing ([3rdgenerationplum.com](http://3rdgenerationplum.com)) Cash Prize Grouper challenge, again 1st and 2nd heaviest fish in both categories. REMINDER: Minimum size is 24 inch total length. For those members planning on joining in the tournament, please download the 2023 Tournament Entry Form on the clubs website [KEYCOLONYFISHING.com](http://KEYCOLONYFISHING.com) and have it completed when submitting your entry fee either in person or via mail. This website is currently being upgraded but still contains all the clubs various endeavors which includes tournament rules and successes. For those Club members who only fish on occasion and are NOT entered in the Fishing Tournament, you are still eligible to win an end of the Season CASH prize as CASUAL FISHERPERSON of the year for heaviest fish based on highest percentage compared to Florida State record for that species sponsored by new to the club sponsor WHOLESAL MARINE ([wholesalemarine.com](http://wholesalemarine.com)) who in addition to cash sponsorships also offers members a 10% discount on boat supplies by using discount code KCB23.

For fishing tournament members, in addition to monthly Club prizes and sponsorships, we also continue to have our yearly Angler of the year cash prizes sponsored by MARATHON GARBAGE SERVICE and CAPTAIN PIPS MARINA & HIDEAWAY ([captainpips.com](http://captainpips.com)). Good fishing, be responsible, and remember, if you don't weigh them (Captain Hooks Marina), you won't win.

At our December meeting we will be presenting our 2021/2022 MARATHON GARBAGE ANGLER OF THE YEAR AND CAPTAIN PIPS WOMAN ANGLER OF THE YEAR AWARDS.

Merry Christmas, Tournament Director, Tim Husel

Just a note: This Friday, December 2nd is Joe's last day as our Post Office person. He is retiring Stop by and wish him well and thank him for his dedication to KCB. He will be missed.

# Fishing & Boating Club Fishing Tournament Results

APRIL MONTHLY FISH WINNERS		
ANGLER	FISH	WEIGHT
Larry Eliason	Yellowtail	4.4
Steve Buckeridge	Mutton	8.0
Ron Teke	Cero	3.7
Tom Casey	Spanish	3.1
Ron Teke	King	10.1
Brian Russell	Blackfin Tuna	10.6
John Misa	Dolphin	8.0
No Entries	Grouper	
No Entries	Mangrove	
No Entries	Cobia	
No Entries	Wahoo	
No Entries	Amberjack	
No Entries	Sea Trout	

APRIL TOURNAMENTS				
CAPTAIN PIPS TRIPLE CATCH				
TUNA DOLPHIN SNAPPER - BEST % OF STATE RECORD				
	Angler	Fish	Weight	% of State Record
<b>Champions Division</b>				
1st Place	Brian Russell	Tuna	10.6	23.29%
2nd Place	Tom Casey	Tuna	5.7	12.53%
1st Place	John Misa	Dolphin	8	9.88%
2nd Place	Cindy Casey	Dolphin	6.7	8.27%
1st Place	Larry Eliason	Yellowtail	4.4	43.18%
2nd Place	Steve Buckeridge	Yellowtail	3.9	38.27%
<b>Tailchasers Division - No Entries for Tuna or Dolphin</b>				
1st Place	Brian Russell	Yellowtail	1.6	15.70%
2nd Place	No Entries	Yellowtail		

# Tournament Catches





**Just ask Pat, the fun has begun!  
Lots of tournaments left to be in  
and as they say,  
you have to be in it to win it.**

**Enter now!**



## KEY COLONY BEACH *Fishing & Boating Club, Inc.*

### 2023 Tournament Entry Form

Name

Address

Telephone

Cell

Email

**\$70 Entry fee includes all 2022/23 tournaments**

Bring this tournament entry form to the next meeting or mail it in with a check to  
POB 510877, KCB, FL, 33051-0877  
Tim Husel, Tournament Director, [tim.husel@gmail.com](mailto:tim.husel@gmail.com), 780-490-8832

KCBF&BC,

**Send Us Your Photos!**

**Member's Photos**



# Key Colony Beach 2022 Christmas Boat Parade

Brought to you by KCB Fishing and Boating Club and KCB Community Association

Sunday December 11th @ dusk

Boats of all sizes and shapes are welcome, entry is free - open to all!

**Best in Parade - \$1,100**

Karen Raspe  
Realtor



Karen Raspe

Keys Real Estate  
Knight & Gardner Realty  
Freewheeler Realty

Berkshire Hathaway  
Home Services  
Keys Real Estate  
Knight Gardner Realty

Best in Class - Under 30 ft.  
\$500  
Marathon Power Squadron



Best in Class - Over 30 ft.  
\$500  
Marathon Power Squadron



Brightest and Most Colorful, Most Creative, Most Spirited Crew  
\$150 Gift Certificate to Restaurant of Captain's Choice  
30 ft. And Under - Coldwell Banker Schmitt Real Estate Company  
Over 30 ft. - Key Colony Beach Realty, Inc.



To sign up contact Ted Fischer  
ted.fischer1@verizon.net  
or call 302-841-9812  
by December 10th.



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*Boating The Florida Keys ...*

Please join us for the 26th annual  
**BOOT KEY HARBOR  
CHRISTMAS  
BOAT PARADE!**



**Boot Key Harbor Parade Saturday Dec 10th, 2022.  
Cash & Other Prizes**

Judging and Post Parade Awards will be at **Dockside Boot Key Harbor**. Plenty of other viewing areas along the way. Parade starts in from 7-mile bridge side about 6pm and winds it's way to the east side of the harbor. **ENTER YOUR BOAT. READ MORE ..... and use the online registration form to enter your boat**

VISIT the Marathon Power Squadron  
at [www.MarathonPowerSquadron.org](http://www.MarathonPowerSquadron.org)

## **MINUTES**

Friday, November 4th, 2022

The November meeting of the Fishing & Boating Club was called to order by newly elected Commodore Sue Redding on November 4th at 5:00 pm at the KCB Public Works facility, with the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was held for the members we have lost. Past Commodores and veterans were recognized. No Charter Members were present. Beer and wine were available at 4:30 pm. 90 members were in attendance.

Commodore Sue Redding stated that the purpose of the Club is to promote fishing, boating and good fellowship among members. Established in 1994, the Club is one of the largest Fishing and Boating Clubs in the Florida Keys.

The minutes of the April meeting were accepted on a motion by Cindy Casey which was seconded by Jim Withrow and passed by the members.

Treasurer Stephanie Withrow read the Treasurer's Report which was accepted on a motion made by John Graves, seconded by Marie Flood and passed by the members.

Membership Chair Pat Fischer stated there are 237 current members in the Club. She announced Gail Cortelyou will be assisting with the membership duties this year. She reminded members' annual dues are due by the January meeting in order to stay active.

Director at Large Carman Slusher reminded members to get their volunteer hours in and to see a Board Member or contact Jim Lutz to see what opportunities are available.

Joey Raspe, Fundraising and Kids Fishing Derby Chair, announced that the 2022 Kids Fishing Derby was the most successful in the 16-year history of the Derby. There were a record 57 participants and over 20 chaperones who attended this year. In addition to supporting the event and supplying great prizes to the attendees, the fund was also used to give \$3,000 each to The Grace Jones Community Day Care Center and to The Sunshine Kids Foundation who support children with cancer. Next year's event will likely be the 2nd Wednesday in June and those who would like to volunteer to assist, please see Joey. Joey also reminded everyone prices are up on beer, wine and liquor so be generous in your donations to replenish the bar tip jar.

John Fruhmorgen, Fundraising, asked for help in supporting the very lucrative silent auction event at the annual Clam Bake. John reminded members that the event consistently brings in \$3,000 - \$5,000 per year and should be considered a major fundraiser for the Club. John asked for 10-15 members to volunteer to help with visiting the community businesses to get the certificates that are a big part of the revenue generated at the auction. John is also looking for help cooking turkey in January. Ron Teke volunteered to help. John can be reached at rent@77keys.com or 813-263-9668.

Recording Secretary Diane Slusher thanked the members for the opportunity to serve. She had no new business at this time.

Tim Husel, Tournament Director, reminded members the Club is a fishing AND boating club and safety should be at the forefront of minds when doing so, especially when boarding an unfamiliar vessel. Tim suggested being proactive if the captain does not give an overview of operation and location of safety equipment, and to ask for it.

Tim thanked Ron Teke for providing a lead on a newly secured Club sponsor, [www.wholesalemarine.com](http://www.wholesalemarine.com). They will also offer a member discount of 10% with code 'KCB23'.

Tim announced current tournaments then presented the prize money to the April winning anglers (below). For a complete listing of tournament results, please visit the Club's website at <https://keycolonyfishing.com>. Tim also listed our generous Sponsors and how they support us with both monetary and merchandise donations. You can find a full list of Sponsors on the website as well at <https://keycolonyfishing.com>.

Commodore Sue Redding reminded members there is no smoking at the Public Works facility. The Public Works facility does have a new restroom for our convenience. Sue also announced a Blood Drive will take place on November 9th from 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM according to their website.

Sue shared that our Sergeant of Arms Joe Stickney delivered a certificate of appreciation for the Club that was given by the Marathon American Legion in recognition and appreciation of service and compassion given to those that have served our Country.

Vice Commodore Tom Alferes added there are two Blood Drives this month. On November 9th at the Post Office from 9:30 AM - 2:30 PM and November 11th at the American Legion from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM. He noted One Blood is providing very nice gifts in return for your donations. Tom emphasized the need to patronize and thank our sponsors. When you visit them, please let them know you are a member of the Club and that we greatly appreciate their sponsorships! He also noted Jim Lutz is tracking the volunteer hours and

to see him if you need to sign up. He reminded members that two hours are required the first year and one hour each year after is required to keep your membership in good standing. The Clam Bake alone needs 120 volunteers to pull off the event. Tom closed with an Uncle Manny joke.

Commodore Sue Redding announced Kitty Sutton will be holding a memorial service on November 20th from 11-2 and all are welcome to attend.

Sue thanked the members that helped with the 1st annual Pickleball Tournament that raised over \$3,300 which was donated to the city for improvements to the racquet sport complex for the tennis and pickleball players.

Ron Teke, Social Chairman, explained that our newest sponsors, Wholesale Marine have a local connection and history with the Club. The original owners Jim and Pat Stewart were Members of the Club but have since moved away. Their son, Jim Jr. has taken over the business and lives here in KCB on 10th street. They are a very large wholesaler and even without the discount have great prices. They also have very fast shipping from Cincinnati. [www.wholesalemarine.com](http://www.wholesalemarine.com).

Ron is hopeful the weather will cooperate for our Sunset Moonrise events this season. The next one is next week and if wind is under 15 knots, it's a go. He will try and schedule day before or after if there are wind issues. He also wants to add a group boating trip. East Cape Sable is a beautiful sandy point is one idea for the event. He will also continue the monthly fishing seminars with various projects. He agreed with Tim's comments on boating safety and gave an example of a local tragedy due to a wife not knowing how to operate the couple's vessel. He suggested we put together a class for those who are interested.

John Fruhmorgen passionately reminded everyone that we should patronize our long-time sponsors.

Ted Fischer, Christmas Boat Parade Chair, announced the event will be held on December 11th starting at dusk. Last year we had 17 participating boats. The parade route will be 7th to 11th street canals. This year we will be increasing the prize amounts. Thanks to our sponsors:

#### Event Sponsors

Key Colony Beach Fishing and Boating Club

KCB Community Association

#### Prize Sponsors

Best Overall – \$1,100 sponsored by Karen Raspe, Realtor and Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, Keys Real Estate, Knight and Gardner Realty +\$100

Best in Class – 30ft. and Under – \$500 sponsored by Marathon Power Squadron

Best in Class – Over 30ft. – \$500 sponsored by Marathon Power Squadron +\$500

30 ft. and Under - \$150 Gift Certificate to restaurant of Captain's choice – sponsored by Coldwell Banker Schmitt, Real Estate Co. and Over 30ft. - sponsored by Key Colony Beach Realty, Inc. in the following categories:

Brightest and Most Colorful

Most Creative

Most Spirited

In kind sponsors – TV88, UPS Store, Keys Weekly, City of Key Colony Beach

Ted mentioned that Ricochet, who was won the top prize several years in a row, have moved out of the area so there is room at the top! He also noted that our newest sponsors, Jim and Kim Stewart of [wholesalemarine.com](http://www.wholesalemarine.com) participated in the parade last year.

Ted reminded us that the Key Colony Beach Community Association is holding the annual welcome back party at Key Colony Inn on November 17th and tickets are still available. Price is \$35 per person which includes dinner and entertainment by Johnny Live. Tickets can be purchased on their website at <https://www.kcbca.org>. Anita Alferes will also be selling tickets at the post office Thursday November 10th from 11AM-1PM.

Commodore Sue Redding announced the New Year's Eve party will be at the Elks Club due to Marble Hall being unavailable. We have secured Rick and Dayna again for the event. Tickets will be \$50 and will include a steak or chicken dinner. No setup, teardown or decorating required!

Sue thanked Pat Fischer for making the RSVP system more efficient. Thanks to Brian Russell for new website.

Thanks to Jerry Regan who will be taking over newsletter.

Sue also stated tracking volunteer hours is still an issue, Jim Lutz could use help if someone could lend a hand. Sue also noted we have a lot more time to prepare for the Clam Bake as last year we made a decision just three weeks ahead of the event to hold it due to Covid concerns so we should not have as much trouble getting help with the silent auction this year.

Thanks to Cindy and Bill Catto, Kathy and Lori for the dinner. Thanks too to Joey and Karen Raspe for the great job at the bar and Joey on the Kids Fishing Derby. Thanks to Dave and Lynn Ruthenberg for stepping up to handle 50/50 sales due the passing of Ron Sutton. Thanks to Denise DeCrow and Janice Regan, tonight's greeters. And finally, thanks to the clean-up crew Mike and Jessie.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm on a motion made by Lynn Ruthenberg, which was seconded by Marie Flood, and passed by the members.

Jan Sables was the winner of the 50/50 drawing and donated it back to the Club.

Submitted by, Diane Slusher, Recorder

### KCBF&BC Executive Board 2022-2023

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## KCB Fishing & Boating Club 2022-2023 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday	Nov 4	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street
Friday	Dec 2	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street
Sunday	Dec 11	Christmas Boat Parade	Dusk - 6:00	Causeway/7th Street Canal to 10th/11th Street Canal
Friday	Jan 6	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street
Friday	Feb 3	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street
Monday	Feb 20	Clam Bake	12 Noon - 4:30 PM	7th Street Park
Friday	Mar 3	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street
Sunday	Mar 6	Barracuda Races at KCB Days	9:00 AM - 4:00 PM	7th Street Park
Friday	Apr 7	F&BC Meeting	Bar opens at 4:30 - Meeting starts at 5:00	Public Works Building on 8th Street





## Membership Application 2023

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

LOCAL PHYSICAL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

If partner desires membership, please enter information below:

PARTNER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTNER CELL PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

PARTNER EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

HOW LONG DO YOU STAY LOCALLY EACH YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

Please scan or photograph and email to [pat.fischer1@verizon.net](mailto:pat.fischer1@verizon.net) or print and mail to Key Colony Fishing and Boating Club, PO Box 510877, Key Colony Beach, FL 33051.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

KCB residents are given priority in club membership. Each year in January the club's executive board brings in new members based on how many people have left or not renewed. Each year this number is different. Presently there is an approximate **wait of 0-2 years for KCB and 6-7 years for non-KCB**. NOTE: All new members are required to volunteer to work for the Club at one of the Club events for a minimum of 2 hours the first year upon becoming a member and then a minimum of 2 hours every two years thereafter.

**Please print legibly or we have no way of contacting you.**