

AMERICA'S BOATING CLUB THE BUOYS



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STAY SAFE ON THE WATER DURING PANDEMIC

By Barret Bonden

Being out on the water has always been a great way to get away from it all. It's a time to relax, get out in the sun, soak up some vitamin D, recharge your batteries, and leave your worries behind. Unfortunately, the recent pandemic has put a bit of a crimp on safe boating. Perhaps it's not the pandemic itself, but definitely the guidelines issued by the government to prevent the spread of the pandemic.

Boats are confined spaces which makes it hard to practice some of the guidelines. Before you invite friends out for a day on the water, consider how you can implement the government guidelines of 30 Days to Slow the Spread. Here are a few of their recommendations that are applicable to a day on the water:

- Avoid social gatherings in groups of more than ten people. This is pretty easy, as getting ten people on many boats is difficult. Even if your boat is rated for ten or more people, do you really want to put that many

people in such close proximity?

- Practice good hygiene: Wash your hands, especially after touching any frequently used item or surface. Avoid touching your face. Sneeze or cough into a tissue, or the inside of your elbow. Disinfect frequently used items and surfaces as much as possible.

- If you don't already, be sure to have a box of tissues on board just in case. You never know when you might need them. Get some wet wipes on your boat and use them as needed for your hands. They can also be used to wipe down surfaces if required. Clean all of the surfaces of your boat that people will likely touch before and after each trip.

- Make sure you have a trash receptacle on your boat. You can find a DIY plan that uses a bucket with a lid at <https://myfwc.com/media/20576/diyinstructionstrashcontainer.pdf>. A swimming pool chlorine tabs bucket has a lid that twists on and off, and is easier to use than one with a press-on lid.

- If you feel sick, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider. This should also say don't go out on the water. Boating is not always a relaxing experience, and all boaters can experience a phenomenon called "Boaters Fatigue." The effects from the sun, wind, noise, vibration and the movement of the boat can be the same effects as attending an

aerobics class. Both can wear you out, making you overly tired and possibly weakening your immune system.

- To limit the impact of Boaters Fatigue, make sure you are drinking plenty of water. Take a break if you feel tired and let someone else operate the boat for a while. Consider spending less time on the water so you will be able to enjoy your time on the water later.

- Listen to and follow the directions of your state and local authorities. Before you decide to go out on the water, check to see if the state, county, or any other local authority has issued any new temporary regulations for boaters.

Currently the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron has suspended all classes due to the coronavirus pandemic. All boating classes for May are cancelled, and the hope is that we can get back to teaching our safe boating classes soon. To learn more about all of the boating courses offered by the Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron and when we will be resuming operations, visit our website [ccsaps.org](https://www.ccsaps.org) for details.

Stay safe on the water.

Barret Bonden, a recurring character in the Patrick O'Brian seafaring novels, is the nom de plume for one of our many safe boating instructors.

**LITE BITES &
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP
MEETING**
Thursday, May 14, 2020
CANCELLED

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COMMANDER'S REPORT



Carl McGrath | Commander
ABC/ Cape Coral Sail
& Power Squadron

Let's open with some encouraging news. As best we know none of our members has been critically impacted by the Covid-19 virus. Beyond that, every member and member's friends and extended families lives have experienced a change in lifestyle few of us have ever thought possible.

While we await the more definitive guidance anticipated from the State "restart council," here is the current outlook for Squadron activities in the month of May. Much of this is based on the three phase approach provided at the federal level, with suggested duration and milestones to be met, and each phase a minimum of two weeks.

Scheduled meetings, including the ExCom and general meetings, group meetings and entertainment events planned for the month of May are canceled. Our building will remain closed to general traffic. We continue to check the building on a daily basis, collect the mail and phone messages and make only necessary office visits.

Our typical weekend rental events, which fall in the category of large social gatherings of more than 50, much like fully operational restaurants and bars, are being canceled or postponed. The return of unrestricted rental operations appears to fall into the phase 3 category, which appears to be headed for late June or beyond.

Our classroom education plans for May will be canceled. We'll continue to plan for a June ABC class, situation pending, and the planned start of Boat Handling and Piloting will continue to slide out until June at the earliest. One on one activities such as VSC and Jump Start Training will remain suspended as well.

If you have not as yet, check out the array of videos and on-line seminars available at <https://americasboatingclub.org/>. Also check out this page on our website: <https://www.ccsaps.org/resources>.

Much of the above is subject to modification as new guidelines solidify. While full return to the old normal seems unimaginable, a new normal will evolve but it will take time. Any questions or thoughts you want to share can be addressed to ccsapswebinfo@gmail.com.

Please also continue to keep in touch with friends and neighbors. Many in the community are hit hard by the loss of job support systems. Help if you can, while maintaining your own safe status. Say thanks to the front line medical professionals and first responders who suit up each day to face a new unknown.

Many of us continue to socially distance out on the open waters. I have spent quality time working in and around my backyard boats, with a major cooling system tear-down and refurbishment finally coming to a close. This week offered a diversion when one corner of my 4 motor lift decided to stop moving. After diagnosis and fix, I offer this recommendation: add to your routine lift maintenance by routinely checking on motor pulley set screw tightness. Check all of them. The problematic ones for me have been on the motor shaft pulley. After two days of checking the starting capacitor, wiring integrity and voltage at motor and prepping for motor replacement, I found that the pulley shear key, which locks the pulley to the motor shaft, had come loose and fallen out.

Cdr Carl McGrath
ccsapscommander@gmail.com

COVID-19 RESOURCE GUIDE

SQUADRON HOURS OF OPERATION

Power Squadron office hours are suspended for the duration of the health crisis. Phone messages will be checked daily. (239) 549-9754

EMAIL

Email questions and concerns to ccsapswebinfo@gmail.com

WEBSITES

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/resources.html>

Florida Department of Health
<https://floridahealthcovid19.gov>

Cape Coral coronavirus information

<https://www.capecoral.net/COVID-19/>

United States Power Squadrons/America's Boating Club

www.usps.org

CCSAPS Website

ccsaps.org

CCSAPS Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/CCSAPS/>

Squadron activities will NOT occur between now and June 1, 2020. This includes ExCom and general meetings, all regularly scheduled monthly group meetings and Entertainment activities. All education activities, including VSC and Jumpstart OTW training are also suspended.



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AMERICA'S BOATING CHANNEL™ LIVE BROADENS APPEAL

Raleigh, NC, 21 April 2020 – "America's Boating Channel LIVE" has added segments specifically targeting female viewers to overcome the stigma that boating videos appeal only to men.

Also in Episode Three, a recurring segment host will share a spousal haircut while sheltering at home to prevent the spread of coronavirus.

The weekly online magazine show, designed to help recreational boaters cope with self isolation has added a new segment on personal safety for essential outings, plus boating lifestyle tips on motion pictures, music, television programs, and books, as well as how to create nautical crafts.

The third episode of "America's Boating Channel LIVE" will premiere Wednesday afternoon at 4:00 PM EDT on AmericasBoatingChannel.com and America's Boating Channel's YouTube channel.

The program will include segments on exercising at home with a life jacket, two couples cruising the Great Lakes together, and an interactive online seminar on VHF radios. Viewers will learn about a new benefit of joining United States Power Squadrons® - America's Boating Club® - and how to keep their sense of humor.



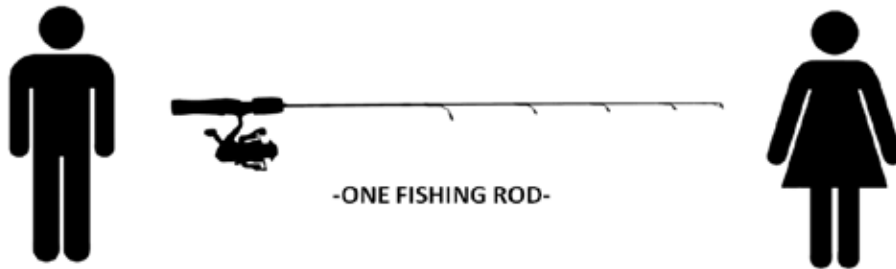
The show is not only for boaters, it's also by boaters, with volunteers from around the country serving remotely as segment contributors and on-camera talent.

America's Boating Channel videos are now enjoying increased viewership as Americans stay home to protect themselves and others from the COVID-19 pandemic. Screening boater education videos is an excellent way for boaters to prepare for safer experiences on the water.

Production of America's Boating Channel's fourth season of original boating safety videos is near completion. This year's new titles, which will launch in May, include "Boater Education," "Engine Shut-Off Devices," "Life Jacket Care," "Cold Weather Boating," "Behavioral Consequences," "Introducing ATONS" (aids to navigation), "Dispelling BUI Myths" (boating under the influence), "Life Jacket Labels," and "Electric Shock Drowning (ESD)."

About America's Boating Channel
America's Boating Channel™ is produced by United States Power Squadrons® (USPS) under a grant from the Sport Fish Restoration and Boating Trust Fund administered by the U.S. Coast Guard. America's Boating Channel features professionally produced high definition safe boating and boater education videos. As the premier boating organization dedicated to "Safe Boating through Education" since 1914, USPS is America's Boating Club® – For Boaters, By Boaters™. AmericasBoatingChannel.com

6 Feet of Social Distance



What is ABC?

ABC is **America's Boating Course**. The course gives you the basics you need to get out on the water safely, and it meets most states boating education requirements. Our in-person boating course includes a comprehensive introduction to boating, covering boat types, boat engines, boat selection and more.

The next ABC class is scheduled for June 2-18 (Tuesdays and Thursdays) 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Call Squadron office at (239) 549-9754 Mon. - Sat. 9:00 a.m. - noon for more information. Please leave a message.

You can also register online <https://americasboatingclub.org/find-a-course-near-you?zip=33904&range=20>
usps.org

DISTRICT 22 NEWS

Dear Members of District 22,

The COVID-19 and the directive to shelter in place has made it necessary to conduct the business of the District by electronic means. As you know, both the Council and Conference were done via email voting. Council was represented with 25 members and Conference with 147 members voting on motions. All motions passed with a great majority of YES votes. As a result of the motion to elect a new slate of officers we have a new Bridge for the 2020-2021 Watch year.

I am sending you the minutes from the electronic Installation of Officers in this message below. If you have any questions please contact me peggy.Reiss@yahoo.com.

District 22 Electronic Installation of Officers Minutes
7 April 2020

D/C Ted Reiss, SN-CN called the Installation of Officers to order at 1300 via FreeConferenceCall.

Guests and members present: National Administrative Officer

V/C Ralph Bernard, AP;

R/C Myles Gee, SN Gordon Bloom, SN

Immediate P/D/C Don Cook, SN D/Lt/C: Sam Bonilla, AP; Cliff Schmidt, SN; Jack Nason, SN; Andrea Battaglia, SN;

Peggy Reiss, JN-IN D/1st/C: Melissa Butler, SN; Kathryn Considine, JN; Gene Burson, JN

A quorum was declared.

D/C Ted Reiss gave a farewell message thanking everyone for all their help and support and recapped some of the highlights of the past bridge year.

V/C Ralph Bernard initiated the installation ceremony by dismissing the Commander, all elected Officers and Committees.

He installed D/C elect Sam Bonilla as Commander

He then installed the following new Bridge Officers and Assistants:

Cliff Schmidt Executive Officer

Melissa Butler Educational Officer

Gene Burson Administrative Officer

Peggy Reiss Secretary

Andrea Battaglia Treasurer

Kathryn Considine Assistant Treasurer

Gordon Bloom Assistant Educational Officer

Members of the Auditing, Nominating, Rules and Elected Committee members will be electronically installed on 14 April 2020 by V/C Ralph Bernard.

D/C Sam Bonilla concluded the installation with his welcome remarks and expectations for the new Watch year.

There being no further business, the Installation of Officers was adjourned at 1330.

Peggy Reiss

District Secretary

CCSAPS HAS A BOATING GROUP FOR YOU!

Although we are currently observing physical distancing, it won't last forever. Plan to add your name to the roster of one of our boating groups:

Weekenders

Meetings normally held the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

weekenderboating@gmail.com

Weekdayers

Weekdayers will resume during the winter season. Contact Vern Seaton for additional information

vern@seatonsunrooms.com

Cruise & Rendezvous

Cruise and Rendezvous normally meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:30 a.m.

delphi1937yahoo.com



Fishing Group

Meetings normally held the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m.

Check out their Facebook page for the latest information

[Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron Fishing Group](#)

Co-op Charting Group

Meetings normally held the second Tuesday of the month

at 10:00 a.m.

ccsapscoopch@gmail.com

Kayak Group

We paddle area waterways on the third Tuesday of the month. Contact Gary Brooks for additional information.

guppy1942@embarqmail.com



CRUISE AND RENDEZVOUS (C&R)

SAVE THE DATE 2020

MAY 5 C&R CANCELED @ 10:30AM	OCT 13 C&R MEETING 10:30AM
MAY 4 FOR 12 DAYS PARTSCH TRIP	OCT NOTHING PLANNED TRY SNOOK BITE OR PINK SHELL 5 6 7 N,T,W) NEED 10 SLIPS
JUNE 2 C&R MEETING 10:30AM	NOV 2 C&R MEETING 10:30AM
JUNE 15 – 17 NAPLES BOAT CLUB (DON'T KNOW HOW MANY SLIPS YET)	NOV 9 10 11 12 LEAVE SOUTH SEAS
JULY 3 4 5 LEGACY HARBOR (SHEILA 461 0775) OK (10 SLIPS)	NOV 20 SHRIMP DINNER (5PM)
AUG 4 C&R MEETING	DEC 3 C&R MEETING 10:30AM
AUG 10 11 12 LEAVE 13TH FISHERMEN'S VILLAGE (OK 1/30/20) LISA HITTINGER 941 575 3000	DEC 7 8 9 'TWEEN WATERS (OK 3/3/20)) HARRY 472 5161 X440
SEPT 1 C&R MEETING 10:30AM	WATCH NEW YEAR CALL
SEPT NOTHING PLANNED	BOCA GRANDE FOR JAN 2021
MAYBE (1 2 3 T,W,TH OR 8 9 10 T,W,TH) (PLAM HARBOR)	

ALL DATES AND EVENTS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CHAIRPERSON 239 458 1481

ONLINE BOATING SEMINARS

While You Stay at Home, Learn at Home.

To help mitigate the impact of COVID-19 on our communities, America's Boating Club has canceled in-person classes, but you can still be productive while practicing social distancing. We offer a variety of online seminars you can take from the comfort of your home until it's safe to be on the water again.

Check out our catalog now! Remember: Members get a 25% discount. <http://americasboatingclub.org/lea.../online-boating-education>



Check out our Facebook page for latest updates regarding hours of operation and resumption of activities <https://www.facebook.com/CCSAPS/>

C & R OVERNIGHT Destination: _____ Dates: _____

Name: _____

Telephone: (cell) _____

Email: _____

Number attending: _____

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date: _____

Boat name: _____ Draft: _____

Boat Length: _____ Beam: _____

Make & Model: _____

Power: 30 or 50 AMP: _____

Mail Reservations to:
Delores Buhner
1333 Santa Barbara Blvd Apt 670
Cape Coral FL 33991
 Email or Questions
 DELPHI1937@YAHOO.COM



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CRUISE AND RENDEZVOUS PRESENTS

LOBSTER TAIL OR HAM DINNER



Friday, May 22, 2020 (NEW DATE)

Attitude Adjustment 5:30 p.m.

Dinner 6:30 p.m.

10oz. Maine Lobster Tail \$25.00 pp

Ham \$15.00 pp Including D



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Any dietary restrictions? _____

There will be assigned seating. Seating preference _____

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PLAN TO SCHEDULE YOUR FREE VESSEL SAFETY CHECK

Plan to get your annual **Vessel Safety Check (VSC)**. Even if you pay careful attention to safety, dangerous mechanical problems can crop up on the best-maintained boat. That's why the U.S. Coast Guard recommends that all recreational boaters (including personal watercraft users) take advantage of the free Vessel Safety Check (VSC) program every year. VSCs are offered by experienced members of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary and the United States Power Squadrons, two of the nation's premiere volunteer boating safety organizations. A VSC is your best way of learning about problems that

might put you in violation of state or federal laws or worse, create danger for you or your passengers on the water.

Contact the office @ (239) 549-9754 Mon-Fri between 9:00 a.m. and noon to schedule yours today, or

contact the individual who performed your VSC last year to ensure your boat is safe and in compliance with local, state and federal requirements.



Have you checked out our website?

[HTTPS://WWW.CCSAPS.ORG](https://www.ccsaps.org)

The website features a live calendar, and now new members may now join and pay online!

(to access password to the member directory, please contact our office)

SUPPORT CAPE CORAL CARING CENTER

Our Squadron supports **CAPE CORAL CARING CENTER** throughout the year. Please consider supporting the Caring Center by donating these items:

ITEMS ALWAYS NEEDED:

- Peanut butter
- Tuna
- Canned vegetables
- Pasta and Pasta sauce
- Rice
- Soup
- Canned pasta
- Dry beans
- Canned fruit
- Any non-perishable item
- Hygiene products

We want this to be an ongoing effort, so please donate to the designated box at Squadron Harbor, or directly to the Cape Coral Caring Center at 4645 SE 15th Ave. (Mon-Fri 9:00 a.m.- noon).

There are many in our community that are struggling financially during our shutdown. I'm hoping that as a group we can ease the burden of our neighbors in need. One way for us to stay safe and still be able to help out is to make a donation to the Cape Coral Caring Center. They have a stronger buying power than we do and are able to stretch our dollars to purchase more items.

Simply 'click' on the link below (or type it) to make a donation with PayPal or Credit Card.

<http://capecoralcaringcenter.org/how-you-can-help/>

Then 'click' Donate Today; choose PayPal or Credit Card and complete the form. Remember to 'click' on Write a note and enter Cape Coral Sail and Power Squadron Member

If you prefer to mail a check or money order;
Cape Coral Caring Center
4645 SE 15th Avenue
Cape Coral, FL 33904

Remember to make a note: CCSAPS Member



ALL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AND ACTIVITIES ARE CURRENTLY ON HOLD. MEANWHILE, EXPLORE THESE LISTINGS TO SEE HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED.

TO RESERVE A ROOM AT THE SQUADRON

Notice: Our Rental Chairman position is currently vacant. Please contact Marge Maciag to reserve various rooms at the Squadron. She will coordinate and determine if there are any conflicts. The Rental Book is currently maintained at the Squadron Office. Contact her at margem5@gmail.com

In an effort to keep our facility ready for parties and health inspectors, we would like to put a few teams together to work on our kitchen. 2-3 people per team would work well. Time involved would be 2-3 hours per cleaning.

We would like to schedule clean-ups twice a month, dates and times are flexible. The more volunteers we get, the fewer times a team will be on the rotation. Please send your name and contact information to me ASAP.

Feel free to form a team and let me know you would like to work together. It's also a good way to earn Merit Mark Credit.

Thank you in advance for any assistance you can provide.

Lt. Rick Clements, Building Manager
Email: retiredrick@yahoo.com or call 786-338-8159

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR E-MAIL OR PHONE #?

IF SO, SEND YOUR UPDATED INFORMATION TO:
JOE STEWART, E-MAIL ccsapssecretary@gmail.com



LIFE JACKET LOANER PROGRAM

This program is a valuable public service. Please pass the word among your boating friends that lifejackets are available to borrow at the Squadron, at no cost, for visiting children or grandchildren.

If your group needs help, send me the info, and I'll include it on this page - ccsapsbuoyeditor@gmail.com

SQUADRON HELP WANTED

RENTAL CHAIRMAN

- Review rental files as they come in.
- Check to make sure payment was received, seating diagram received and door codes were issued.
- Go over checklist with renters.
- Send reminder email to our room set-up crew.
- Give instructions to our cleaning staff
- Make up new rental files as needed.
- Conduct walk thru after rentals.
- Keep the schedule in Rental Book current.
- Check the cooling (AC) remotely with phone app

CERTIFIED VESSEL INSPECTORS

Complete short training course
Inspect vessels for safety and place CG sticker
Contact: Bob Meier - rmeier5157@yahoo.com



FARMERS MARKET (SATURDAYS DURING SEASON)

Talk to the public about CCSAPS Promote ABC Class, sell charts. Contact: Carl McGrath ccsapsexofficer@gmail.com

LITE BITES

Prepare simple, light meals before General Meeting Contact: Jeff Maddy ccsapsao@gmail.com

EVENT SETUP

With other team members, set up and take down chairs, tables (about once a month)
Contact: Marge Maciag margem5@gmail.com Rick Clements retiredrick@yahoo.com

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE

Help in kitchen and hall, setting up for monthly dinner/social events. Have fun organizing our social events! Contact: Jeff Maddy: ccsapsao@gmail.com

BUILDING MAINTENANCE

Are you handy? Rick can use some help around the Squadron Building keeping things going.
Call if you can help out on some Projects.
Contact Rick Clements retiredrick@yahoo.com



UPCOMING EVENTS

ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

June 2020

Tue	2	Entertainment Committee	0930
Tue	2	C&R Meeting	1030
Tue	2-18	ABC Course	1900
Thu	4	Executive Committee	1900
Mon	8	Weekenders Meeting	1900
Tue	9	Co-op Charting	1000
Tue	9	Marine Navigation (until Aug 4)	1400
Tue	9	Fishing Group	1900
Thu	11	Lite Bites	1900
Thu	11	General Meeting	1900
Mon	15-17	C&R Naples Boat Club	
Tue	16	Kayak Outing	
Thu	18	ABC Graduation	1900

(C & R = Cruise & Rendevous ABC= America's Boating Course)



REMINDER THAT UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, SQUADRON HARBOR WILL BE SUSPENDED. PHONE CALLS TO THE OFFICE WILL CONTINUE TO BE MONITORED. MEANWHILE, FEEL FREE TO EMAIL US AT CCSAPSWEBINFO@GMAIL.COM

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Burnt Store Marina VHF 26**



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CCSAPS Entertainment Committee Presents

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FRIDAY MAY 1, 2020
SQUADRON HARBOR

The Buoy is your newsletter. I welcome your suggestions AND submissions! Please contact me at ccsapsbuoyeditor@gmail.com - Nancy Maddy, Editor



MAY BIRTHDAYS

Name	Birthday	Name	Birthday
Maureen R. Blake	1	Mary L. Ahrens	17
Richard T. Rowe	3	Charles C. Ritchie	18
Cynthia H. Smith	3	Michael A. Zimmernan	18
James Wheaton	5	David L. Milne	19
Marian A. Brenton	6	Christopher J. Weeks	19
Shamel A. Kassab	7	Tom Bauer	20
Arlene T. Mure	7	Maribeth Mliner	20
James Sheely	7	Bernard B. Nicholas	20
Patricia S. Haley	8	Chad C. Schetter	20
Robert J. Lammie	8	Michael H. McCleery	21
Randall R. Sevenish	8	Kim Discher	22
Richard C. Buechler	10	Robert E. Martin	22
Mary J. Husby	10	Leo W. Lalley	23
Linda C. Ice	10	David L. MacKnight	24
David K. Smith	10	Gina K. Thomas	24
Henry J. St. Pierre	10	Jeff S. Maddy	25
John B. Bourke	12	Carl J. McGrath	25
Douglas J. Doty	13	Paul A. Moses	25
Alex T. Buechler	14	Jim C. Price	25
William L. Schwartz	14	Gary R. Brooks	26
William J. Knight	15	Donald J. Perrault	28
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READING TIPS FROM BARRETT BONDEN

By Barret Bonden

Now is a great time to get caught up on some of those authors you wanted to discover. With a Lee County library card and an e-reader you can borrow books on line. They use an application called Overdrive, and all you need is your card number and the last 4 digits of the phone number you gave the library when you got your card. They have e-books and audiobooks you can borrow for 14 days.

If you want to learn a bit about Florida while enjoying a good story here are some suggestions:

Patrick D. Smith's A Land Remembered has been ranked #1 Best Florida Book eight times in annual polls conducted by Florida Monthly Magazine. It traces the MacIveys from 1858 to 1964 as they work to settle in central Florida. It's not Michener's Texas, but it gives you a sense of what early settlers faced. Punta Rassa plays a role in the book. It is an interesting insight into the development of Florida.

Randy Wayne White has just released his 26th novel in the Doc Ford series. A few weeks back I happened to be at Doc Ford's restaurant in Ft. Meyers Beach when Mr. White was doing a book signing for **Salt River**. We were seated above the event, and the Q&A session was fun to listen to. If you have not read any of these books, I recommend starting at the beginning with **Sanibel Flats** and working your way through them. This allows you get to know the characters as they are introduced. The central character, Doc Ford, has his home and business in the Dinkins Bay Marina. Mr. White was a charter captain in Tarpon Bay for about 12 years before the federal government closed Tarpon Bay to commercial businesses. After 26 books, the reader can pretty much figure out where things

are going, but the newest novel had some interesting surprises about the main characters.

Robert Macomber's At the Edge of Honor is another book set on the west coast of Florida, this time during the Civil War. It follows the adventures of Peter Wake, assigned to a small, armed sloop, the Rosalie, as he patrols for the Union Navy out of Key West up the coast to Charlotte Harbor, and into Pine Island Sound. Mr. Macomber has written 14 books in the series, taking Peter Wake up to 1908. This is his only book set mainly in Florida.

Carl Hiaasen is a Miami based author that I have been sampling the last few weeks. Mr. Hiaasen has written over 16 quirky, humorous, crime novels. So far each book has a unique cast of characters and the ones I have read have been fun and enjoyable reads.

Finally, I would be remiss if I didn't plug the author **Patrick O'Brian**, whose character I adopted as my nom de plume. You might have seen the 2003 movie **Master and Commander: The Far Side of the World**. This film is based on a couple of O'Brian's books, focusing on the friendship of the English naval captain Jack Aubrey and the Irish-Catalan physician Stephen Maturin during the Napoleonic Wars. The main canon includes 20 books, the first being Master and Commander. It took me a while to get into the first book and I continued only because I was led to believe the series was worth it. The books have been described as Jane Austen for guys. Having never read any Jane Austen, there is no way I can confirm that. Perseverance paid off, and about half way through the first book I was hooked, and went on to enjoy the whole series. That's it for now, hope you are finding something to keep you busy.

Stay Safe,

Barrett Bonden, Coxswain HMS Sophie and valued friend of Captain Jack Aubrey

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