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TIGHT LINES

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Holiday Countdown

One day till the Bonnies' Holiday Party, one week till Hanukkah begins, two weeks till Christmas, three weeks until the New Year. YIKES!!!

This week, December 15, is the deadline for early sign-up (in order to get your incentive gift) for the Fishin' Funatics Tournament; sign-up deadline for the Tournament is January 13, 2023. Check out the information below for the first Kayak Clean-Up of the season and the next *Suddenly In Command* class. Sign up information for the Membership Luncheon at the Cooking School on January 19, 2023 will be in next week's *Tight Lines*.

Board members: President Laura Wilson, Vice President DeeDee Lisenby Treasurer Johanna Carrier, Secretary Liz Zug, Carol Andrews, Diana Frazier, Allison Freeland, Bonny Gothier, Jan Miller, Patty Strunk, Kathy Weiland, Laura Zausmer, Jodi Zifferer and Founder Nancy Zakon and Ex Officio Member, Mary Bloom(immediate past president).

Upcoming Events

Dec 12: Holiday Party (KLAC, 5:30-7:30 p.m.)

Dec 14: Board Meeting

Dec 15: **Deadline** for Early Sign-up for

Fishin' Funatics (see details below)

Jan 09: Kayak Clean-up

Jan 13: Fishin' Funatics Sign-up *deadline*

Jan 19: Bd. Mtg. & Cooking School Luncheon

Jan 27: Cast 'N' Blast

Feb 02: Fishin' Funatics Captains Meeting

Feb 06: Fishin' Funatics Tournament(see below)

Feb 10: Gyotaku at the Art League (The art of Japanese fish printing)

Feb 13: Kayak Clean-up

Feb 15: Board Meeting & Member Luncheon



To view 2022-23 calendar visit our website, www.Bonefish Bonnies.com (click here).

Fishin' Funatics

Early Sign-up Deadline is December 15th.

Tournament Season Kicks Off
Fishin' Funatics

February 6, 2023.

Angler's and Captain's Meeting

February 2, 2023.

Sign up early and receive an incentive prize.

Early sign-up deadline
December 15, 2022.
Tournament entry deadline
January 13, 2023.

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Forms are available in the drawer below the Bonnies' bulletin board in the Reef Treats lobby and can be downloaded for printing on the website, www.bonefishbonnies.com or by clicking here.



Clarification on the Announcement from American Museum of Fly Fishing: Nancy Zakon to Receive 2023 Izaak Walton Award

AMFF is pleased to announce Nancy Zakon is the 2023 *Izaak Walton Award* honoree. This award event will take place online via Zoom on March 13, 2023 at 8:00 p.m. EST. The AMFF began using the Zoom format during the Covid shut down and has continued to do so as it allows members and guests from around the world to see the presentation program.

As part of the program, AMFF has put together a Zoom panel for the event. The panel consists of five women who know Nancy and can speak to her role in the sport and to women in fly fishing generally. They will all be participating via Zoom. The panel includes Mary Bloom, immediate past president of the Bonefish Bonnies, and four pioneers in the sport of fly fishing: Fanny Kreiger, founder of the Golden West Women Fly Fishers; Sara Low, the 2010 Fly Fisher of Distinction by the Catskill Fly Fishing

Center and Museum and author of *A Guides's Guide to Fly-Fishing Mistakes*; Lori-Ann Murphy, co-founder of Reel Women Fly-Fishing Adventures; and the legendary Joan Wulff, affectionately recognized as "The First Lady of Fly Fishing". There will be an in person, celebratory reception for Nancy on March 14, 2023 at the Key Largo Anglers Club from 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. EST.,

Nancy, as past president of the International Women's Fly Fishers, instructor in Orvis' first women's fly fishing schools, a designer of Orvis' first women's fly fishing gear, founder of Juliana's Anglers and Sporting Club of New York City, and Bonefish Bonnies of Key Largo, FL, has been a trailblazer for women in fly fishing.

The American Museum of Fly Fishing <u>AMFF.org</u> established the *Izaak Walton Award* in 2014 to honor and celebrate individuals who live by the *Compleat Angler* philosophy*. Their passion for the sport of fly fishing and involvement in their angling community provides inspiration for others and promotes the legacy of leadership for future generations.

We hope you will save the dates and plan to join us virtually, in person, or both! **Further details to follow in the new year**, but if you have any immediate questions, please email us at **amff@amff.org**.

*Editor's note: The Compleat Angler, a treatise on fly fishing and life was written by Izaak Walton in 1653. It is a celebration of the art and spirit of fishing in prose and verse.

Also, please note, the picture above was taken before it became accepted practice to Keep'em Wet.

USCG Auxiliary Course: "Suddenly in Command"

Thursday, December 15 1-3 p.m. Key Largo Building

This course is intended to provide guidance for those boat occupants, such as guests, friends, spouses, etc., who may find themselves "Suddenly in Command" if the boat captain is no longer able to operate the boat for whatever reason. You are now in charge! Learn what to do in an emergency situation on the water.

Topics include:

- How to use the VHF to call for help.
- •How to determine your location in any body of water and give that information to rescuers.
 - •Flare usage, life jackets, anchoring, emergency gear, etc.
- •A discussion of pertinent navigational and weather cell phone apps.

Following the formal presentation will be a "show and tell" of recommended safety equipment as well as a question and answer period.

Please RSVP to <u>pljr51@gmail.com</u> and give your name and contact phone number.

Kayak Clean-Up January 9, 2023



Not only will the Kayak Clean-Up on January 9, 2023 be the first of the season, it will also be the first Bonnies' Kayak Clean-Up to include members of the Rod & Gun Club.

Thanks to the Ocean Reef Club there will be sixteen (16) double and ten (10) single kayaks available at Buccaneer Island

Beach. Meet there at 9:15 a.m. to get organized and plan to be on the water from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. As usual, ORC will provide water, gloves and garbage bags and will be handling their disposal.

Laura Zausmer, our Special Events Chairperson, has these hints for anyone planning to attend. She likes to bring her own gloves and her own water bottle instead of using the plastic water bottles. Bring a hat, sunscreen and pickers if you have them. Nets help as well as boat hooks (not gaffs).

We look forward to welcoming the Rod & Gun Club members joining us.

Please let Laura know if you plan to participate in the Clean-Up and if you'd like to stay for lunch at the Beach Bar. Click here to email her.

Bonefish Bonnies Buddies

New to the Bonnies this season or last?

Contact Diana Frazier

dianahfrazier@gmail.com to request
a Bonefish Bonnies Buddy.

Board Member, Diana Frazier, is the coordinator for our Bonefish Bonnies Buddies program. She



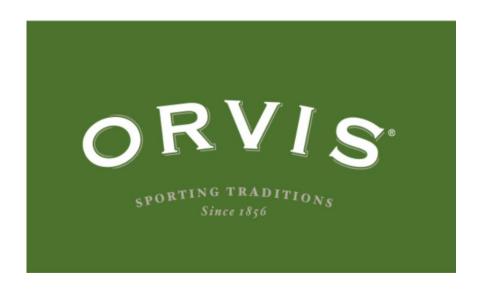
will match you, as a new member, with an established member who will be your guide for "all things Bonnie". Just click on Diana's email address above.

Bonefish Bonnies Membership Roster 2022-2023

The Bonnie contact information for members listed below can be found by choosing the *Members* tab on our website at www.bonefishbonnies.com.

A warm welcome to our new Bonnies:

Joan Conley Terry Ferrarone Suzy Heilpern Renae Page



Holiday Shopping?

Did you know...as a Bonnie you'll receive a 10% discount on eligible items at ORVIS in the Fishing Village? See something in the catalogue you'd like to order. Run over to see Tracy, the store manager, to place your order and get free shipping as well as your discount. The Bonnies provide the store with an up to date membership roster so just give them your name.

Many thanks to ORVIS for this opportunity.

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