Have You Met Our 2022 New Members?

The Membership Committee will be honoring our 2022 new members at the traditional new member party on February 28. This will give them a chance to socialize and connect with their fellow new members of the class of 2022! Once you have faces to go with the names, please look for them at the meetings, wave to them when you see them on the water or just give them a call! They are all listed in the 2023 Yearbook.



Steve & Paula Mink joined in March of 2022

Paula grew up in Michigan, fishing in the Great Lakes area, while Steve hails from California. Upon retiring in Arizona, they moved to Fairfield Harbour and purchased a home on Albatross Drive. Their current boat is a 21' Seahunt. Both Steve and Paula have multiple years of boating experience and enjoy fishing. Primary sponsors are Kathy and Peter Clay and secondary sponsors are Kathie and Doug King. Both Steve and Paula have initially selected the Hospitality Committee.



Dave & Janet Jonah Joined in May of 2022

Together they have 40 years of boating experience that began on Dave's 17' daysailer in Baltimore's Inner Harbor. At the time Janet was a post grad nurse and Dave a medical illustrator at Johns Hopkins. Their current boat is a 34' Seaward 32RK sailboat named *The Whale* that they trailered across country from their last home in California. They moved to Fairfield Harbour in April of 2021 and are now living on Kea Court. Their sponsors are John and Georgie Jackson, and Steve Husted and Anny Chiu. Both Dave and Janet have selected the Hospitality Committee. Dave has also selected Marine Assistance and Janet, Medical Support



Mark & Mariam Johnson joined in May 2022

After moving to New Bern in 2006, they recently built a home on Muirfield Place here in Fairfield Harbour. Mark's sailing experience started as a child; Mariam was convinced to sail with Mark 20-plus years ago. They are experienced sailors who have visited 20 countries. Their Current boat is a hand-built 32' Searunner trimaran named *Delphys*. This boat is one of the three boats Mark has built over the years. They are sponsored by Ritchie and Julia Thomson and Bill and Olwen Jarvis. Mark has selected the Hospitality Committee with Mariam ,who also volunteered to assist on the *Semaphore* Committee and recently volunteered to assist with the ships' store.



Michael & Kathy Blumenthal joined in June 2022

Mike and Kathy are from Napier IL near Chicago. Shortly before Hurricane Florence ,they purchased their home on Gondolier Drive in the Harbour. After months of arranging for repairs, they were able to move here permanently just as Covid hit. As boating beginners, they have gone to great efforts to learn about boating in our area and have taken advantage of our online seminar to improve their boating skills. They now own a 19' Avalon Pontoon. Their neighbors and sponsors are Pam and Dick Gaskill, Art Thinguldstad, and Deb Swan. Both Mike and Kathy have selected Hospitality as their committee.



Lincoln Griswold & Lyn Griswold Joined in June 2022

Lincoln grew up in Carlsbad, New Mexico but did (and does) a great deal of travel with his job. He eventually settled in New Bern, North Carolina and purchased a home on Bucco Reef after various offers on other houses. Lincoln then convinced his sister Lyn to join him, and she is currently staying with him as she continues working. Beyond boating Lincoln's interests include scuba diving and holding a pilot and amateur radio operator license. Current boats include a 30' Cape Dory sailboat named *MyLand!* and a 20' Shamrock power boat named *Eaglet*. Primary sponsors are Craig and Janice Myler with Bill with Lois Andrews serving as secondary sponsors. Lincoln has selected the Maintenance Committee and given his active work schedule, will also join the Ad Hoc Committee.



Robbie & Phyllis Godwin joined in July 2022

Robbie and Phyllis are lifelong New Bern natives and have lived in Fairfield Harbour for over 15 years. Robbie built their home on Chateau Drive. Phyllis is a recently retired teacher and Robbie is a building contractor. Their boat is a 25.6' Carolina Skiff named *The Mary Margaret*. Both are experienced boaters and enjoy the local waters and fishing with friends. When not boating you can also find them on the golf course. They are sponsored by neighbors Kevin and Larna Griffin and Marcia and Ed Werneke. Robbie has selected Marine Maintenance and Phyllis has selected Hospitality as their committees.



Stan & Laurie Eakins joined in July 2022 (Pronounced ā-kinz)

Both met and grew up in Alaska, lived in Arizona for a time, but have spent the last 30 years in Greenville, NC. Both Stan and Laurie have had careers as professors in the ECU College of Business. They currently reside on Gondolier and maintain a home in Greenville. Stan and Laurie both started boating as young kids in Alaska and have 50-plus years in boating, mostly power boats. Stan has captained boats from as small as dinghies to the size of 52' boat. Their current boat is a 26' Regal power boat aptly named *Sabbatical*. Primary sponsors are Doug and Kathie King with Joel and Elaine Berberich serving as secondary sponsors. Both Stan and Laurie have selected the Marine Assistance Committee.



Kati & Roger Hughes joined in September 2022

Kati and Roger are originally from Lincolnshire England where Kati was a teacher and Roger was a business owner. After selling their business they bought a boat that would take them on their next adventure in the Mediterranean. This led to seven years in the Med sailing as a charter and home schooling their two young daughters before returning to England when their daughters were in their teens. They were members of the Royal Cornwall Yacht Club in Falmouth, UK. Their current boat is a Down East 50' sailboat named *Britannica*. Their current home is on Albatross Drive. George and Lynn Stateham and Ritchie and Julia Thomson are their sponsors. Kati has chosen Membership and Roger has chosen *Semaphore* as their committees.



Tom Graves & Lisa Blumenshine joined in October 2022

Tom and Lisa moved to Fairfield Harbour from Westport, Connecticut and live on Pelican Drive with their dog Brandon. Their boat is a 37' J-37C sailboat named *Bad Dog*. The boat is wintering in Havre de Grace, MD and he plans to bring it home to the Harbour in the spring. In Connecticut they were members of the Cedar Point Yacht Club. Tom has over 50 years boating experience in racing and cruising. Lisa and Tom have backgrounds in advertising and marketing. Tom is also an artist. Their primary sponsors are John and Georgie Jackson with Craig and Janice Myler serving as secondary sponsors. Tom has chosen Cruising, Regatta and Program and Lisa has chosen Public Relations and Hospitality as their committees.



Sharon & Louis Nash joined in October 2022

Sharon and Louis are originally from the New England area and spent several years in Annapolis. Louis' 47-year career in the Coast Guard barely surpasses his 46 years with Sharon. Most of their sailing experiences were in the New England and Chesapeake waters. They own a 30' Bristol aptly named *Duet*. Their home is on Gondolier Drive with a slip that is waiting for dredging. Primary sponsors are Carol and Lindy Lindtveit with George and Lynn Stateham serving as secondary sponsors. Louis selected Maintenance and Sharon selected Entertaiment as their committees.



Brenda Singh & Gerry Riffle joined in November 2022

Relocated from the Virginia/North Carolina area in 2013, they purchased a home on Caracara near Birdland Marina. Gerry had a career in radio as a DJ/talk show host and owned a home inspection company. Brenda retired from the FAA as an airport safety inspector, happily missing Hurricane Florence damage and inspections. Gerry is an avid musician and enjoys his garage band jams while Brenda is an accomplished painter and expresses her creativity with making corporate gift baskets and personalized gifts through her own company. They initially spent several years boating on Lake Kerr, initially sailing but have now transitioned to power boating. Their boat is a 22' center console fishing boat named *Sea Fox*. Primary sponsors are Steve Hustad and Anny Chiu with Janet with Vance Hikes serving as secondary sponsors. Gerry has selected Marine Assistance and Brenda has chosen Entertainment as their committees.



Tom & Kathie Frey Joined in December 2022

Tom and Kathie moved to their home on Pelican Drive from Annapolis, MD. They fell in love with the Fairfield Harbour waterfront and the opportunity to have both their power boat and sailboat docked behind their house. Their dock now holds a 31' Pearson sailboat named *Falcon* and an 18' Sea Hunt power boat. They are former members of The Sailing Club of the Chesapeake. Tom has been sailing for 60 years and racing for 55 years. Both chose FHYC because it combines their love of living on the water and boating with social and educational opportunities. Their sponsors are Kate and Greg Castle and John and Georgie Jackson. Tom has chosen Regatta and Maintenance and Kathie has chosen Hospitality as their committees.