

AIRBOAT ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA



July 2017 NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL BBQ

Unfortunately we did not get the turnout we had hoped for. However we would like to thank both old and new members who brought out their families and friends for the day. It was great to see all of the people who brought their kids and grandkids as well. The committees had lots of events for them to participate in. Many thanks to those who gave their time to see that all of the kids had plenty to do. It really goes to show what a family oriented club we are. If we don't keep the kids involved, we will have no future in the Everglades. A special thanks to all the volunteers who gave their time and effort to help make the rest of this year's Bar-B-Que a memorable event. Thank you to the Miccosukee police for helping with traffic control. If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer to make next year's outing even better, contact your board of directors.

Nominations and Elections

It is that time of year again for us to nominate and elect our Officers and Board of Directors for the coming year. It is important to remember that these are the people you elect to make the decisions on how the club is run. You need to nominate and elect people who will show up at the meetings and who you think are qualified to run the club the way you would like it to be run. This is not just a popularity contest! Make your vote count!

Nominations will be held on Thursday August 31 and Thursday September 28. Election night will be Thursday October 26. There will not be any nominations allowed on election night. Remember to bring your membership card with you on election night or you will not be allowed to vote. Remember only current paid up members in good standing are allowed to vote.

Fish Fry

Members and guests, it is that time of the year again. That's right it's time for our annual fish fry. It will be September 23rd, 2017 at the Airboat Association of Florida club grounds, 7 miles west of Krome Avenue on US41. The last fish fry was an unbelievable success. This year's should prove to be even bigger and better. We have the "Keys Gang" coming back again to do their magic in the kitchen.

There will also be a big poker run with cash prizes. The more boats there are the more fun it will be.

There will probably be someone walking up to you during the day asking for money for the 50/50 raffle. Dig deep, 50% of the money collected goes to the club, 50% of the money goes to the lucky winner. It might be you. Come out, bring your boats, invite your friends and family, and have fun.

WORK DAYS

We will have a workday Saturday September 16, 2017 to get ready for the fish fry. This will be just a general cleanup. So please bring your weed eaters, leaf rakes, shovels, and yard tools.

Remember, the more people that show up, the less people have to work. As always, there will be food served, after the work is done for lunch.

2018 ANNUAL DUES

Folks, it is that time of the year again. That's right dues. All dues should be paid prior to September 1, 2017. At midnight on the 31st of August, the new lock will be put on the gate. So don't get locked out. Remember when you fill out your receipt to make sure your address is current. We ask you to please write as neat as possible so we are able to read it. That is the only way we can keep the roster current and make sure everyone gets their newsletters. Also, if you have an e-mail address, write it on the receipt. This way we can get information to you quickly.

Don't forget, the dues are \$100.00. It is still quite a deal.

August

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6	7	8 <i>Board Meeting 8:00</i>	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 <i>General Meeting Nomination</i>		

CALENDER OF EVENTS

September

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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 <i>Board Meeting 8:00</i>	13	14	15	16 <i>Workday</i>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 <i>Annual Fish Fry</i>
24	25	26	27	28 <i>General Meeting Nomination</i>	29	30

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COMMITTEES

We have several committees that we could use some help with;

The Conservation committee who shall consist of an indeterminate amount of members, appointed by the president, whose duties shall consist of researching and recommending conservation projects involving this Association and/or its members.

The Legislative committee who shall consist of an indeterminate amount of members, appointed by the president, whose duties shall be to maintain contact with State and Federal Legislators so as to be aware of any legislation that could possibly concern this Association and/or its members or objects and purposes.

The Ways and Means Committee who consist of four members, appointed by the president, whose duties shall consist of researching and recommending methods of fund raising for this Association, their families and guests.

If you are interested in helping out with any of these committees, come to a meeting and let Keith know.

Charlie Erwin, Secretary

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