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AIRBOAT ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA



APRIL 2019 NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL BBQ

Members and guests, it is that time of the year again. That's right it's time for our annual bar-be-que. It will be April 27, 2019 at the Airboat Association of Florida club grounds, 7 miles west of Krome Avenue on US41. Last years bar-be-que was an unbelievable success. These years should prove to be even bigger and better. We will have more to do and more to see.

We will have raffles going on all day long. If there is anyone wanting to donate anything to the raffle, whether it is an item, a service, or a gift certificate, it would be appreciated. The more we have to raffle, the better the odds of winning. This will also be the last chance to buy tickets for the raffle shotgun. Make sure you buy your tickets early before all the tickets are sold. People, this is all good stuff. Make certain you get the name and address of the people who donated.

You will probably have 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.

There are spots available for anyone wishing to put up a display booth.

We will have the "Jeffery James Gang Band" playing all kinds of music for your listening and dancing pleasure. So why not come on up to the dance floor and cut a rug. The band will be playing music all day long.

Remember this is fun for the whole family, so bring them all out.

The food will be served from 12:00 to 4:00. Meals will be \$20.00 each for adults' rib and chicken plates. We will also have pulled pork plates and sandwiches. Hot dogs will be available for \$2.00. Sodas and water will be available for sale.

We will need all the volunteers we can get.

There will be NO ATV's allowed on club grounds the day of the party. There are too many people and not enough room. Please leave them at home; we don't want anyone to get hurt.

Remember, we need suggestions and ideas! Please contact someone on the BBQ committee if you have any "positive" ideas or suggestions.

POKER RUN

The annual "Corned Beef and Cabbage Poker Run" we had in March was a tremendous success. It was a time for members to get together and ride their boats and just have fun. Timing it to coincide with St. Patrick's Day worked out well, as the corned beef and cabbage meal was delicious.

Everyone I spoke with talked about what a great time they had, and how we needed to have more of this type of activity. These things are possible when everyone pitches in and helps out.

I would like to thank Paul Bailey for taking charge of this event. He and his crew did a wonderful job preparing for this event. A special thanks to those who sat all day registering people and taking cards. Also, thanks to those of you who manned the poker stops.

WORK DAYS

We will be having a workday April 20th to get the Club's Grounds ready for our annual BBQ. Remember, the more people that show up to work, the less everyone has to work. We will be doing some tree and hedge trimming so bring your yard tools with you. Also, we will need carpenters' helpers, for installing the cover over the new BBQ pit. New members, this is a perfect time to put in your workdays. Lunch will be served when the work is done around 1:00.

NPS EQUIPMENT ENFORCEMENT

There has been an increased law enforcement of airboat rules and regulations in the East Everglades area behind the club by NPS officers. They will be checking for Safety Flags (they must be universal orange 10" x 12"), fire extinguishers, sounding devices (whistles or horns), current registrations and stickers, life jackets for all passengers on board, and also intoxication. If stopped, be courteous, have all your equipment, and there will be no problems. They are just doing their job.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

<i>April</i>	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9 <i>Board Meeting 8:00</i>	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20 <i>Work Day</i>
21	22	23	24	25 <i>General Meeting 8:00</i>	26	27 <i>Annual BBQ</i>
28	29	30				

<i>May</i>			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 <i>Board Meeting 8:00</i>	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30 <i>General Meeting 8:00</i>	31	

MEETING NIGHT COOK OUT

Just a friendly reminder, on General meeting nights the last Thursday of the month, Roy Applegate cooks hamburgers and hot dogs before the meeting for a donation to the club. Pretty yummy, come on out hungry.

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