



Pyrate News

The 16th day of April in the year Two Thousand and Twenty Two, Mill Town, Florida

Dedicated to those who serve!



Blackwater Pyrate Captains and their plus one.

Captains Lucky, Murky, Boot, Dragon, Whitebeard, Fins Up, Hook 'em Dano and Blackwater Bones, with Swamp Yankee in the middle.

Rarely, if ever, are the Blackwater Pyrate Captains seen all together in public. Rumor has it that some are just a myth or legend. Others say that there isn't a room big enough to handle this motely crew.

Well, on Wednesday, March 23rd, a rare event occurred. Possibly more rare than even a total eclipse or Haley's comet. All the Captains came together for a special occasion at the Blackwater Bistro, the unofficial headquarters of the Blackwater Pyrates.

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What brought this group of misfits together you might ask. Well it was a Wednesday evening at the Blackwater Bistro, and every good Pyrate knows, on Wednesday evenings the Blackwater Pyrates are honored with cheap beer. That could bring out even the most recluse of pyrates.



The Blackwater Pyrate Captains unite at the Blackwater Bistro and fly our colors proudly.

Actually, it was an even more special night than cheap beer. Blasphemy you might say. Those words could even get the most dedicated pyrate hung from the yardarms. Nothing is more important than drinking a pint of “Civil War” with the crew at the Blackwater Bistro.

Well, it just so happens on this night a double top secret plan came together and brought many Pyrates together to celebrate. Only a few hardy souls were made aware of the plan and helped bring it together. No, it wasn't a mutiny!

Swamp Yankee and Captain Lucky had been brewing this idea for some time now and finally the stars aligned to allow the concept to become a reality. With the help of a very select group from the Bistro, thank you Heather and Eveline, we were able to make a special presentation to the Captains.

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As most any good Pyrate knows, the walls above the bar at the Blackwater Bistro are hallowed. They are a place of respect for our military. It is where every Service Member (active, retired or veteran) can place their individual patches. These patches signify their branch of service as well as identify their specific specialty and rank.



A select group of military patches hanging above the bar at the Bistro



Blackwater Pyrates logo and Captain's Patches above the bar at the Bistro

On this evening of celebration at the Bistro, the Blackwater Pyrates joined the ranks of those honorees. With a brief introduction of the Captains, Captain Lucky proceeded to surprise the group by merely pointing to the wall above the bar which revealed the patches and emblem/logo of the Blackwater Pyrates.

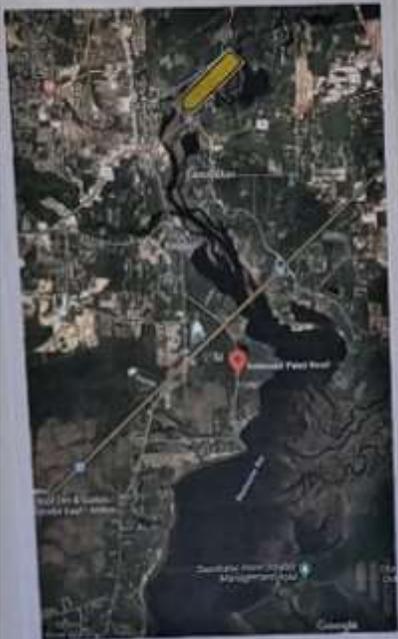
Although only a simple gesture of respect for those who came before us, these walls will forever be a visual memory of those captains who dared to stand in front of the crew of the Blackwater Pyrates and attempt to "wrangle cats" as they continued with their mission of Boater Safety, River Clean Up and Maritime History Preservation.

2022 Poker Run

The Blackwater River Poker Run was back on again this year. After a brief break created by the pandemic, the Bagdad Waterfronts Florida Partnership (BWFP) in association with the Blackwater Pyrates and Blackwater Bay Tours, held the “annual” event. This year the subject was a continuation from the Blackwater Pyrates History Presentation and Ghost Walk. Lost Communities of the Blackwater River, from the book titled “The Log of the Peep O’Day - Summer Cruises in West Florida Waters 1912 to 1915.”



The Log of the Peep O’ Day 1915



Big Al (Jody Conrad) was once again the driving force behind determining the specific “lost communities” and their locations on the Blackwater River, coordinating the speakers (UWF students), and preparing the appropriate presentation and/or speech to be given at each stop.

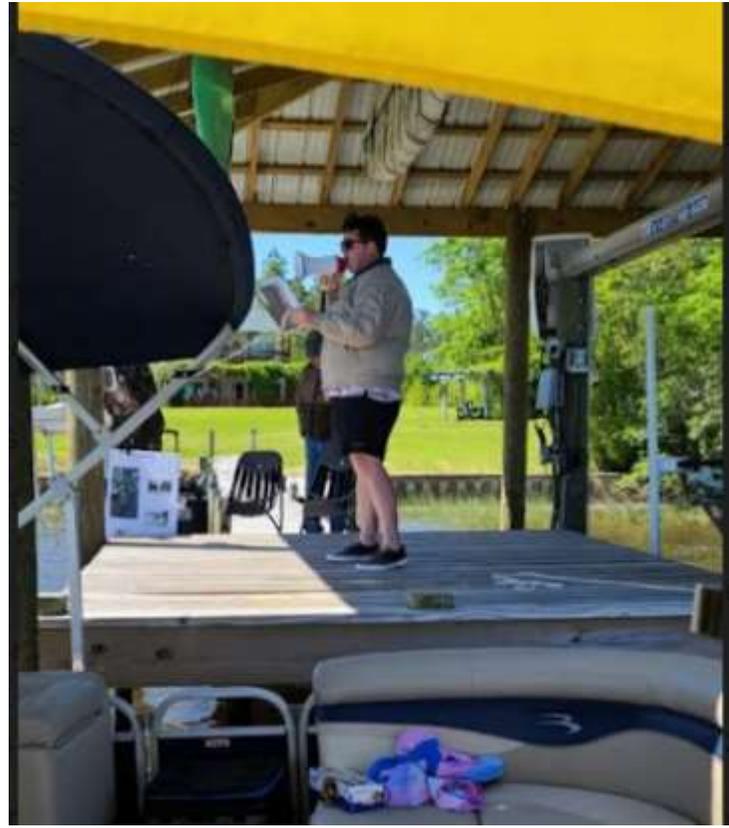
Each Student was strategically located on a designated land position and presented a prepared talk about the community that once was at that spot or nearby.

Several Pyrates volunteered to allow the use of their docks for the Poker Run boaters to temporarily dock and listen to the student present their information. With the exception of the breezy and cool weather, the event was a success.

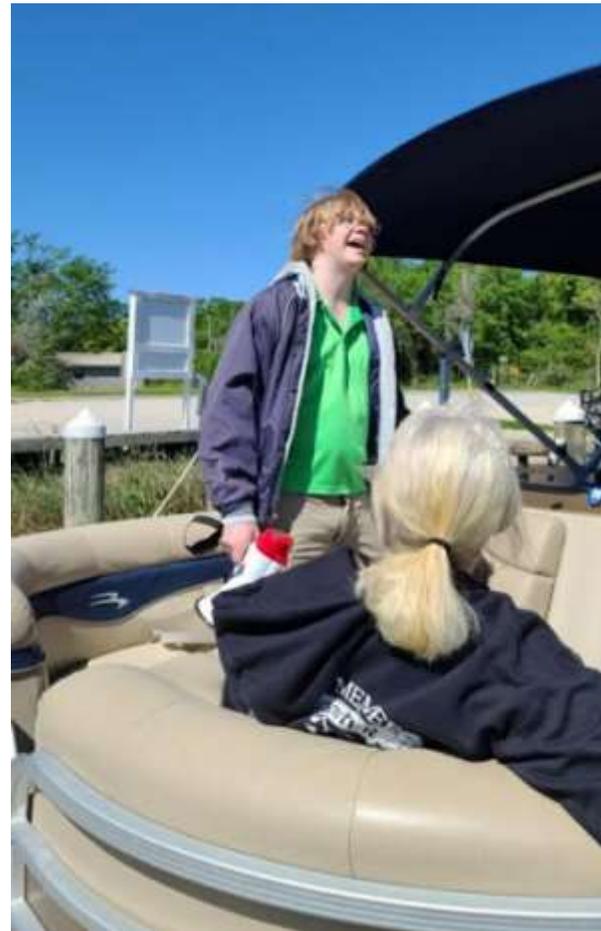
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UWF Students endured the wind and cool weather and provided the Poker Run boaters with outstanding information about communities that were no longer present.



These “Lost Communities” were around less than 100 years ago, but as times change due to war and other economical factors, the people of these areas moved on and all that was left was the history and the stories of times gone by.



Although the Blackwater Pyrates did not organize this event, the Maritime History presentations fell soundly into the missions of our organization we gladly supported the event.



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Blackwater Pyrates 2022

January	February	March	April
12 Booty Council 19 General Mtg	9 Booty Council 12 Milton Mardis Gras Parade 16 General Mtg 19 Mardis Gras Flotilla - POLT	5-6 Renaissance Fair – Duck Adoptions 9 Booty Council 16 General Mtg – Crew Duck Adoptions Begin	9 Poker Run 13 Booty Council 20 General Mtg 23 River Clean Up/Earth Day * 30 New Member Party
May	June	July	August
7 Skull Island Retreat 11 Booty Council 18 General Mtg 21 Boater Safety Week* Blessing of the Fleet USCG Boat Inspection	4 Lighted Boat Parade in Ward Basin 8 Booty Council 15 General Meeting/Duck adoption paperwork and \$\$\$ due 18 WWSRE	4 Great Mill Town Duck Race*** 9 Blues Cruise 13 Booty Council 20 General Mtg- Membership Dues	6 Lighted Boat Parade 10 Booty Council 17 General Mtg 20 Destin Crawl ? Boater Safety Class
September	October	November	December
10 History Lecture* 14 Booty Council 17 Upper River Clean Up * 21 General Mtg	12 Booty Council 15 Oktoberfest 19 General Mtg- New Captain Nominations 21/22 Ghost Walk	9 Booty Council 12 Blues Cruise 16 General Mtg – Vote for new Capt	2 Christmas Lighted Boat Parade 7 Budget Meeting 14 Caroling with the Pyrates 31 Red Solo Cup

*Core Mission

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***All Crew Participation





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