

# Pirate News



The 7th day of August in the year Two Thousand and Twenty One, Mill Town, Florida

## Winner! Winner! Winner!

As the Duck Race concludes for 2021, we present this year's winners. Jess Savoy had the fastest duck in the race and took home the \$1500 first place award (shown below).



1st Place winner Jess Savoy is surrounded by her daughter along with Capt Lucky, Terra and SasSea

Breezie Seitz had the second fastest duck and took home \$750 (top right). And last but definitely not least, Jessica Coffield trained the 3rd place finisher and received \$250 for her efforts (bottom right).



2nd Place winner, Breezie Seitz is aided by her daughters, son and husband, along with Capt Lucky and SasSea



3rd Place winner, Jessica Coffield is presented her check by Capt Lucky, SasSea, Terra and Florence

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Once again the annual Great Mill Town Duck Race was a huge success. People came from far and wide to enjoy the festivities and experience the warmth that is downtown Milton, Florida. The Blackwater Pyrates came together as a family to demonstrate why they are the best.

Although there were intervals of rain, the local community made the best of it. As the skies opened up the local kids decided it was time to play frisbee football. All we could do was sit and watch as the boys and girls of Milton splashed and laughed and their parents just shook their heads.

I remember the days not too long ago. Who am I trying to kid, it was a vey long time ago when I last played football in the rain. Now I could only sit in the comfort of my motorhome (dry) with a few other Pyrates and their families.



The VIP Boat passes by the Pyrates preparing for the big race.



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After an extended weather delay, the skies finally closed and it was time for the fireworks. With oohs and aahs from the remaining crowd, the Blackwater River lit up in an explosion of color. Once again, this was one of the best fireworks displays in Florida. We were all winners.

As the fireworks continued overhead, I was given time to observe and reflect on the day. I watched a group of volunteers from the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce fight off the rain as they removed the signage from the rails lining the boardwalk. I watched Blackwater Pyrates race to complete their tasks of retrieving the duck race track. They splashed through the water to disassemble the track and then pack the awaiting “Duck Trailer” while competing with Mother Nature.

I watched the “Duck Divas” work like synchronized swimmers as they quickly packed up the supplies from their event booth. Merchandise was bagged and boxed to prevent water damage. The fans and electrical cords were quickly rolled and stored out of the rain. And then the technical team and a few extra volunteers gathered the supplies to transport them to safe storage in the trailer. The Blackwater Pyrates worked harmoniously as a team. No surprise. We were all winners!

I would be remiss if I didn't give a giant shout out to this year's sponsors. Title Sponsor McKenzie Motors. Admiral level Sponsors Bruce Baker Real Estate and Cat Country. And all of our 1st Mate and Helmsman Level Sponsors. We would not have been so successful without each of you. Thank you.



The crowd looks on from the boardwalk as the ducks race their little tails off

# Congratulations Grapeshot and Polly Anna



The wedding party celebrates after the ceremony



The newlyweds  
share a kiss

Another great day for the Blackwater Pyrates!  
July 25, 2021. Grapeshot and Polly Anna exchange vows and become husband and wife. In front of a crowd of family and friends in pirate attire, this happy couple made it official. The Blackwater Pearl was used as a backdrop for pictures prior to and after the wedding, and everyone celebrated afterwards at the Blackwater Bistro.



The groom, best man, and grandson  
of the bride arrive by boat



# Blackwater Pyrates 2021

January	February	March	April
<b>13</b> Booty Council <b>16</b> Change of Command <b>20</b> General Meeting <b>30</b> Milton Mardi Gras Parade	<b>10</b> Booty Council <b>17</b> General Meeting	<b>6-7</b> Renaissance Fair – Duck Adoptions <b>10</b> Booty Council <b>17</b> General Meeting	<b>10</b> New Member Party <b>14</b> Booty Council <b>17</b> River Clean Up/Earth Day * <b>21</b> General Meeting
May	June	July	August
<b>1</b> <del>Skull Island Retreat</del> (rescheduled) <b>12</b> Booty Council <b>19</b> General Meeting <b>29</b> Boater Safety Week* Blessing of the Fleet USCG Boat Inspection	<b>5</b> Lighted Boat Parade in Ward Basin <b>9</b> Booty Council <b>12</b> Skull Island Retreat <b>16</b> General Meeting/Duck adoption paperwork and \$\$\$ due	<b>4</b> Great Mill Town Duck Race*** <b>10</b> Lighted Boat Parade/Blues Cruise/Bones Pen (formerly Butchers Pen) <b>14</b> Booty Council <b>21</b> General Meeting	<b>7</b> Lighted Boat Parade <b>11</b> Booty Council <b>18</b> General Meeting <b>21</b> Destin Crawl <b>? Boater Safety Class</b>
September	October	November	December
<b>8</b> Booty Council <b>11</b> History Lecture* <b>15</b> General Meeting <b>18</b> Upper River Clean Up *	<b>13</b> Booty Council <b>16</b> CBD Farm Experience <b>20</b> General Meeting <b>22/23</b> Ghost Walk	<b>6</b> Blues Cruise <b>10</b> Booty Council <b>13</b> WWSRE <b>17</b> General Meeting	<b>1</b> Budget Meeting <b>4</b> Christmas Lighted Boat Parade <b>15</b> Caroling with the Pyrates <b>31</b> Red Solo Cup

\*Core Mission

Revised March 30, 2021

\*\*\*All Crew Participation

**We are Pyrates with a Purpose! Guardians of the Blackwater**





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A photograph of a large number of yellow rubber ducks floating in a body of water. The ducks are scattered across the frame, some in the foreground and some further back. The water is slightly rippled.

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