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7:00 AM to 3:00 PM

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JUNE 6, 24

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Thursday, June 6, 2024
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JUNE 6, 24



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President's Perspective



Kelly McCann

We had a great time at our April General Meeting. I'd like to thank our sponsors of the evening, Todd Lawence and Mary Kilian of Acentria Insurance; as well as everyone who came out! It was good to meet with our members and meet our newest members...and some potential new members! We learned some new things from Doug Wise, CBO, CFM, MCP – Palm Beach County's Building Official. This was also the meeting where we introduced a new member to our board of directors, Tom Carpenter of 1st Degree Air Conditioning. We also formally introduced Alexa Lee, our new PBACCA Executive Director. Welcome Tom and Alexa!

I'd like to take this opportunity to remind all that we are still looking for Board members, if you are interested, ask one of us for details!

Our next general meeting is combined with our 32nd Annual Fishing Tournament, which also coincides with our PBACCA 60th Anniversary! The Captain's Meeting is June 6th at 6pm, located at the Rafiki Tiki in Riviera Beach and the tournament is June 8th with lines in at 7am and final weigh in closing at 4pm. I hope to see you registering in the next few weeks! And... we still need sponsors.

To all our members who sponsor apprentices with the Florida Air Conditioning Apprenticeship [FACAA]; I'd like to give a quick reminder. While school is wrapping up for the summer break the apprentices still need to account for their work hours through the summer. Please continue to sign their worksheets and support them through the summer period! School resumes the 1st Wednesday after Labor Day, September 4th. And don't forget to mark your calendars for our Apprenticeship graduation on August 1st!

As we get into our warm weather and busy season, let's all stay safe and have a prosperous season!

Regards
Kelly McCann

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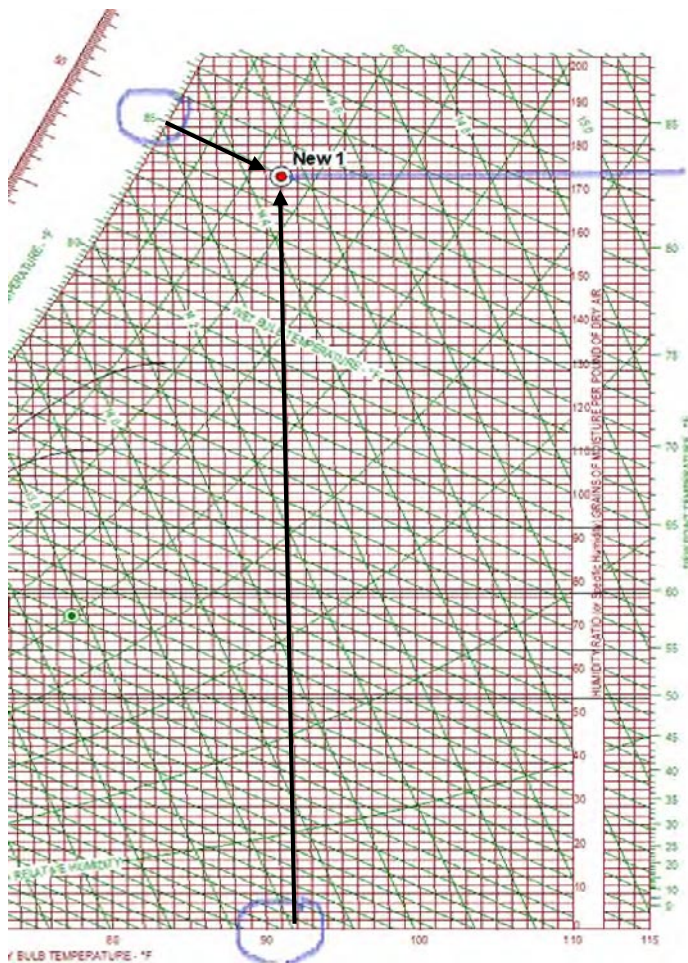
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TECHNICIAN'S CORNER

Dew Point & HVAC in South Florida

By Kelly McCann

Summertime is quickly approaching our little slice of paradise. What that means to us is less traffic, higher temperatures, high humidity and longer days. This month's Tech Corner article is devoted to understanding dew point and what we can do to mitigate its effects on air handlers, ducts, attics and grills. In short, summertime means not only the technician will be sweating, any surface that drops below the dew point will sweat too.



Dew point is defined as the temperature at which moisture will start to condense from the air. In our example to the left we see a portion of a psychrometric chart, the conditions shown are 92°F dry bulb and 85°F wet bulb. The corresponding dew point is 83°F. A pleasant summer day! I should note that the dew point is not a constant, it is derived from the surrounding air condition.

Once we know two conditions, we can find the other properties of air, at that condition. In this example the dew point is 83°F - any object below 83° will have condensation form on it. Think of a cold (40°F) glass of ice water outside; 40° is below the 83°F dew point and the glass will have condensation forming on it. As the glass of water remains outside and the temperature rises; once it gets above 83° the condensation will be gone.

If we are in an attic diagnosing a sweating air handler or ductwork one useful tool is understanding the psychrometric chart. A technician can break out their sling psychrometer to find dry bulb, wet bulb and dew point of the air surrounding the duct or air handler.

When the dew point is known, we can go to work solving the issue. The easy part is knowing that we need to change the dew point, or change the surface temperature of the cabinet or ductwork. The hard part is affecting that change. A technician should check the basics: airflow (*poor duct design, restricted ducts or filters*), temperature difference across the coil, refrigerant charge and operation. The goal here is to make sure the system is operating correctly and doesn't have a performance issue causing the air handler cabinet to get too cold. In the attic a technician

should look at the soffit, is it an open or vented attic? If so, the answer may be to seal the soffit openings. Preventing the hot humid outdoor air from getting into the attic will usually solve the problem. In some applications a dehumidifier may also be required. In my humble opinion, it is better try sealing the soffit prior to installing a dehumidifier. If you get to the point a dehumidifier is needed, the attic will need to be sealed anyway. I understand this statement on sealing the attic may be controversial; however, the science is solid. There are plenty of articles out there on Cool Attic Syndrome and Sweaty Ducts to read up on and formulate your own conclusion.

If the air handler is located in a garage and sweating, check the basics described above. Once it is determined that the equipment is operating correctly, turn your focus to the surrounding area. Does the occupant leave the garage door open? Is the property near a large body of water? Is there a source of outside air getting into the garage? The solution here may be to keep the garage closed except for entry and exit. There are other examples that you may see with condensation issues: exhaust fan venting, dryer venting, ceiling registers, and uninsulated suction lines. As we explore the different scenarios, understanding dew point and psychrometrics helps. I hope you find this article helpful...and another tool for your toolbox! As always, take care of yourselves and stay hydrated this summer – remember if you stop sweating you are dehydrated!



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PBACCA presents ... High-E-Fish-Sea XXXII

Palm Beach Air Conditioning Contractors Association will hold its 32nd Annual fishing expedition Saturday, June 8, 2024. The Tournament will be open to all anglers.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the three largest fish in any or all of the categories: Dolphin, Kingfish or Wahoo, one prize per boat. More prizes will be announced the day of the "Captain's Meeting" on

Thursday, June 6th, 2024 and end with an awards ceremony on Saturday afternoon. On June 8th, 2024.

1. **Captain's Meeting:** Thursday, June 6, 2024, 6 p.m. Location *Rafiki Tiki At the Riviera Beach Marina*
Mandatory for all Captains to attend. One person per boat please.
2. **Boat Check-in:** June 8, 2024 all boats check in with tournament committee 7 a.m.
Call Alexa @ 561-585-3880 or 561-301-9975.
3. **Fishing Begins:** Lines in the water at 7 a.m.
4. **Official Weigh-In:** Weigh-in begins at 12 noon all fish are to be weighed in at *Tournament Headquarters at the Rafiki Tiki at Riviera Beach Marina , 200 East 13th Street, Riviera Beach.* Boats must be in line and recognized by Official Tournament Weigh-in Staff no later than 4:00 p.m. (If in route, radio communication does not constitute being recognized.) Absolutely no fish will be weighed in from a vessel that has not been officially recognized by Weigh-in Staff by 4:00 p.m. Fishing stops and lines are out of the water at 3:00 p.m. All fish must be weighed-in directly from the vessel. Weigh Master has right to disqualify any fish for freshness. In case of a tie - the first fish weighed in wins. All boats must adhere to the State and Federal required size and bag limit on the three tournament fish categories. A salt water-fishing license is required. Entered fish eligible for only one cash "place" prize per boat.
5. **Fishing Stops:** Lines out of the water 3 p.m.
6. **Scales Close:** 4 p.m.
7. **Awards Ceremony:** *Immediately following at Rafiki Tiki at Riviera Beach Marina.*
8. **Prizes:** First, Second and Third Largest Fish in any or all categories of Kingfish, Dolphin or Wahoo. *First Place - \$1000.00; Second place \$750.00, Third place - \$500.00, Cash Prizes limited to one per boat. There will be many other prize giveaways.*

If you have any questions, please contact Alexa Lee @561-585-3880. To register, fill out application Mail to PBACCA - "High-E-Fishin-Sea", PO Box 3407 Lantana, FL 33465.

Tournament Agenda



Tournament Rules

1. Boat and anglers must be registered with PBACCA Tournament Committee. Late entries will be taken up to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, June 6th at Captain's Meeting. No exceptions.
2. *Early registration fee is \$300.00 per boat for PBACCA members, Non-members \$350.00. Entries received after Friday, May 17th 3:30 p.m. are \$350 PBACCA members, \$400 non-members. Early registrations are eligible for the Captain's Party prize drawing.*
3. Entry Fee includes 4 anglers per boat, 4 tournament T-Shirts, and 4 dinner tickets for Saturday, June 8th. Additional anglers are (\$75 before May 17th, \$100 after.) Additional dinner tickets for June 8th tournament ceremony may be purchased in advance for \$25 and additional T-shirts may be purchased at the Captain's Meeting for \$20 (as long as supplies last.)
4. Fish may be taken by rod and reel only. Down riggers and planers are permitted. No wire lines.
5. Dead bait, live bait or artificials may be used.
6. Chartered boats are allowed.
7. In case of a tie, the first fish weighed in wins.
8. Fishing hours are 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.
9. If you have a fish on the line, beyond the lines out time you may continue to fish, but you must radio into the committee boat. Inform them of your boat number and circumstances. All boats are still required to be in line and recognized by Official Tournament Weigh-In Staff no later than 4:00 p.m. weigh in by 4:00 p.m. to be eligible for cash awards.
10. Tournament Committee will have the final decision.
11. All boats must adhere to the State and Federal required size and bag limit on the three tournament fish categories. A salt water-fishing license is required. Entered fish eligible for only one cash "place" prize per boat.
12. PBACCA has the right to cancel the tournament and return all entry fees if the 15-boat minimum has not been met by three weeks prior to the tournament date.

Make checks payable to PBACCA and mail with entry to: PO Box 3407, Lantana FL 33465

Registration Form must be filled out completely

Boat Name: _____ Boat registration# _____ Hull Color: _____
 Boat Make: _____ Boat Size: _____ Captain: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone :(Work) _____ (Fax) _____ E-mail: _____ Company: _____

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First Mate's Name: _____ Phone (Work) _____ (Fax) _____ E-mail: _____
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Third Mate's Name: _____ Phone (Work) _____ (Fax) _____ E-mail: _____
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Release of Tournament from Liability

It is expressly understood that all participants in the PBACCA "High-E-Fishin-Sea" fishing tournament enter at their own risk and that the PBACCA, their officers, directors and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operation of the tournament or sponsors of said tournament shall be exempt from any liability caused by negligence or any act or omission, for libel, slander, loss, damage, harm, injury or death suffered by any participant, sports fisherman, their companions, mates, crew members, guest, vessels and equipment which may occur during this tournament. Each Captain accepts full responsibility and liability for their angles, crew and boat.

****CAPTAIN'S SIGNATURE** _____ Registration must be signed to be valid.



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High-E-Fishin-Sea
Saturday, June 8, 2024

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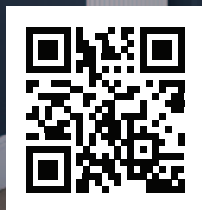
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Events

Calendar

Palm Beach Air Conditioning Contractors Association, Inc.

2024 CALENDAR of EVENTS

- May 2 **Board Meeting** - 4:30p.m. - **Zoom Meeting**
- June 6 **General Meeting**- 5:30 pm The Beach Club
One 7th Avenue North, Lake Worth, Fl. 33460
CANCELED
- June 6 **32nd Annual High-E-Fishin-Sea Captains Meeting**
Rafiki Tiki 6pm
- June 8 **32nd Annual High-E-Fishin-Sea Fishing Tournament**
Rafiki Tiki Awards 4-6
- June 21-22 **Contractor CEU Workshop** - 8:00am - 4:00pm
Brown & Brown 1661 Worthington Rd. Ste 175
West Palm Beach FL. 33409
- July 11 **Board Meeting** - 4:30p.m. - **Zoom Meeting**
- Aug 1 **General Meeting**- 5:30 pm The Beach Club
One 7th Avenue North, Lake Worth, Fl. 33460
Apprenticeship Graduation
- Sept 5 **Board Meeting** - 4:30p.m. - **Zoom Meeting**
- Oct 3 **General Meeting**- 5:30 pm The Beach Club
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Become Certified

**PBACCA will provide a proctor upon
request for onsite testing.**

The E.P.A. has established a Mandatory Technician Certification Program. Technicians are required to become certified under the mandatory program. Under the final E.P.A. rule, the sale of refrigerant will be restricted to certified technicians.

**For more information on EPA testing
call Alexa at 561-585-3880.**

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their customers.***

Apprenticeship Corner

Need Qualified Technicians?

The next time you have an opening for a technician, call the local Apprenticeship office at 561-262-7523. They can help you find a qualified apprentice to hire and enroll in the local PBACCA sponsored Apprenticeship Program offered at Palm Beach Community College. You'll be sure your employee is being taught the right skills and acquiring the training to become a productive journey man.

*Another way
PBACCA serves you!*