

Nautiladies

At our July meeting Saturday August 8th at 9:00 a.m. was designated for our inside cleanup. With many of our Nautiladies helping out it should be a fun morning. Emory Logan suggested that the ones who get here early get the "best jobs". Maybe she meant the hardest or easiest ones. We'll see on that day.

Dede Bethke gave us the welcome news that we have a new source for purchasing the T-Shirts will the sailboat on the back that doesn't require us to buy quite as many to make an order. She already has interest in them. Good job!!

On Sunday August 16th we will be having a Pirate Party. Look for more info elsewhere in the Main Sheet.

We voted to send a donation to the Agape Hospice of the Low Country (the word Agape means love in Greek) in memory of Joni Drayton, a former President who passed away on July 2nd. She and her joyous infectious laugh will be missed by all of the Nautiladies and especially by those of us who enjoyed playing Mah Jongg with her.

This month's special recognition goes to our Secretary, Anita Peal and our long time Treasurer, Joan Fraser who both are quietly competent in their respective positions, making it easy to be President. A heartfelt thanks to them both. There were no Birthdays or Anniversaries in July; at least none from the fourteen in attendance. Primpers and Greeters for August are Sally Kingree on the 7th, Diane Stortz on the 14th along with yours truly, Betty Y. Bush on the 21st and 28th along with Carol Kedrowsky on the 21st and Dede Bethke on the 28th. Sound complicated? Not for our gals.

Summer is in its full bloom. Let's make the most of it and enjoy.
See you at the club.

Pat Foley



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BOATERS REPORT - It's a Brewing and it's not a Bud Light

When the weatherman tells us during the summer that there will be "isolated showers or thunderstorms", most of us write it off as a "CYA" forecast and it would blow inshore to Bluffton anyhow. With that in mind, we planned a raft-up for the evening of July 18th with 7 skippers planning to bring their boats. It looked like a good evening on the water. Everything was moving along as planned except for that 30 mile wide storm cell below Savannah that was heading in a Northeast direction right towards the south end of Hilton Head Isl. The coming storm looked too ugly to ignore and the decision to cancel was made.

There were, however, a few sights and sounds from the raft-up that show the intrepid spirit of our Yacht Club members, especially when tasty snacks, food, and drink are already prepared. First, there was Tom Caldwell crowding his crew of the Smiths and Robbins onto one side of his cockpit under the bimini while "dock yachting" in the rain tied up in his slip. Linda and Clyde Harris had planned to bring their young grandson to the raft to celebrate his birthday, and as a treat Linda said she would bring one of those huge cookies for dessert for everyone. Picture poor Clyde, a week later, still trying to finish off the "Big Cookie". Speaking of finishing off the goodies made for the raft, Jim Kola was telling the guys at the Weds. Hackers Golf that he wished the raft-up hadn't been canceled because he had to eat Helen's delicious brownies all week. It was pointed out that Jim didn't bring any of the brownies to share with the guys at golf. Bill and Judith Lawrenson and I decided to finish off all their boat food after going to a movie. The only thing we hadn't seen was the new Harry Potter movie. The boat food we had later, including the Christmas Coleslaw, was great, but Bill and I agreed that we would have rather been out in the storm, cold and wet, than sitting through that movie. Oh well, there will be other opportunities and we'll let the skippers know when we'll try again.

NEW EVENT PLANNED

Everyone should mark their calendar for **Monday, Sept. 14th** as the next "all members boat to and drive to" lunch at the Port Royal Landing Marina. The restaurant, the Back Porch Grille, is a neat little place with indoor and outdoor seating overlooking the Intracoastal across to Lady's Island. It is normally closed on Monday's for lunch, but management has agreed to open just for Yacht Club of HHI members and guest. They are planning a full "Picnic" type buffet with their famous grilled burgers, chicken, boiled shrimp, slaw, chips, tea etc. All these goodies set up for us and the price expected to be in the \$10 - \$12 range.

The beauty of this location is that it is an easy powerboat run (about 35 minutes from Skull Creek), free docking for lunch at the marina and also an easy drive from Hilton Head. Sailboats can do it in one longer day, but they might want to spent the night at the marina. Bill Lawrenson has spent a couple of nights there on a previous trip and was pleased with the marina. Sail boaters might want to speak to Bill about doing an overnighner.

The Port Royal Landing Marina is located just south of Beaufort next to the high rise bridge that crosses over the intracoastal from Port Royal to Lady's Island.

There will be a sign-up sheet for all members on the bulletin board so we can get a good head count for lunch. Skippers, please indicate if you will go by boat and number of people you could take. Non boat owner members, please indicate if you would like to go by boat and we'll try to do assign. The Marina and Back Porch Grill are very interested in pleasing our group, so let's sign up and make this a special event.

Dave Shkor

YCHHI August 2009 Events and Activities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3	4	5 Hackers Golf	6 Mah Jongg	7 Lunch Dinner, Grilled Mahi Mahi	8
9	10	11	12 Hackers Golf	13 Mah Jongg	14 Lunch, Nautiladies, Dinner, Pork	15
16 Pirates Party, Rum-Glazed Cornish Game Hens	17 Board of Stewards Meeting 4:00PM	18	18 Hackers Golf	20 Mah Jongg	21 Lunch Dinner, Greek Chicken	22
23	24	25	26 Hackers Golf	27 Mah Jongg	28 Lunch Dinner, Fish Veracruz	29
30	31	Sep 1	Sep 2 Hackers Golf	Sep 3 Mah Jongg	Sep 4 Lunch, Dinner Meatloaf	Sep 5

Pirates Party on August 16th with Rum-Glazed Cornish Game Hens
World Cuisine Night will be Friday the 28th of August with Mexican Night. Darren is preparing Fish Veracruz. There will be Margaritas for \$4.00. We will have a Piñata to break open with prizes inside. The person who breaks the Piñata wins a Gift Basket. There will be no Game Nights in August.

2009 Calibogue Cup

The 2009 Calibogue Cup is coming up again in October 17-18th. We're looking for "a few good" volunteers. Bill & Judith Lawrenson have agreed to be the Committee Chairpersons, but we need to start filling in the blanks and particularly need a Committee Boat (large with a head), two Mark Boats plus a Chase Boat (if we have it). We will need crews for these boats as well as timers and scorers on the Committee Boat and folks to help with the registration and administration. Please email Chris Maxim, csm Maxim7@hotmail.com or Bill Lawrenson WLawrenson@aol.com if you're interested in being a part of this club event. If you are new to sailing racing, don't worry, we'll train you.

The Calibogue Cup is the longest standing sail boat race on the Island, so let's make it a great event.



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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

Recently Carol and I spent a few days in Annapolis, our home away from home. The trip from the Jersey Coast would take 3-1/2 hours, but from Hilton Head Island, it took us most of the day. Around Annapolis there are no currents since there is minimal tide. Yet, just across the Bay at Kent Narrows one can find a current which isn't quite as severe as the one in the Delaware Chesapeake Canal. The lack of current gives one a serene and calm feeling. It is interesting how nature can be similar to life. There are times when one feels like you're sailing against the current and at other times being pushed along. Our Yacht Club in recent years has been subjected to various events similar to the tide changes.

We are approaching the Change of Watch and there are opportunities for members to get involved in the management and administration of our club. If you have interests in serving on the Bridge, on the Board of Stewards, or being a committee member, please feel free to advise either Ray, Atlee (Sonny), or myself.

Currently for the Mainsheet we need an Assistant Editor who can become Editor in the near future, when the Lawrensons step down from this position. This effort normally can be done in a few hours at the end of the month.

We need an Assistant Treasurer who can analyze our financial statements and advise the Bridge and the Board of Stewards regarding our income and expenses. Since everything is on QuickBooks, I have been able to accomplish this in less than an hour each month. Also, the Assistant Treasurer would keep track of member's quarterly minimums. Our Bookkeeper, Melba Hildenbrandt has been doing an outstanding job. Melba puts in many hours of effort to ensure that our bookkeeping runs smoothly.

Our pool committee and insurance committee are functioning, but we need a Chairman for each.

This Club runs solely on volunteers. Without these industrious people the Club would not be successful. As a result of these individuals' efforts, we are able to keep the membership dues at a minimum. Now is the time for more members to step forward and become involved in the operations.

The Board of Stewards has reviewed our current policy on consumption (food and beverage) minimums. The minimums will still be applied quarterly (i.e., Q1 is November, December, January; Q2 is February, March, April; etc.). Regular resident members who are a single individual and widows/widowers will have a minimum of \$45.00 per quarter. All other regular resident members will remain at \$75.00 per quarter. If you are a regular member and are not in the area for an extended period of time, please notify us when you submit your invoice payment so that minimums can be addressed properly.

If you are boating to other states, you should know that licensing requirements are changing. All power boat operators may have to complete an approved boater's education course in order to legally operate a boat in many states. Currently 37 states including D.C. have such a requirement. An approved Coast Guard and local Power Squadron Courses and Exams should suffice. Make sure you carry your proof showing you are qualified to operate a power boat.

See you at the club.

George