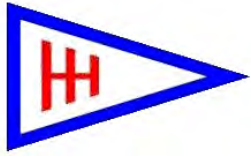


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# THE MAIN SHEET

Monthly Newsletter of The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island



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# Commodore's Comments

by John Lang



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## **BOARD OF STEWARDS**

### **Class of 2016**

*George Cohen  
Sonny Compher  
Lee Hildenbrant*

### **Class of 2017**

*Marek Belka  
Hap Todd  
Anne Landis*

### **Class of 2018**

*Ray Faust  
Candi Hough  
Deb Pepe*

As most of you know, I was Commodore in Absentia for the month of July, as Carol and I took a wonderful respite in Woodstock, Vermont. Mike Gilroy was appointed Acting Commodore at the last Board of Stewards meeting and, as usual, did an outstanding job of keeping affairs in order. He and Leslie did take a brief break to visit family in New England, and we were pleased to have them join us in Woodstock for a few days of fun.

During Mike's absence, Rear Commodore Viverette and Past Commodore Compher assumed the host position for Friday dinners and kept us informed of important club matters.

Jim Landis and Mike Roe have worked to develop a new race which is a huge boost to our large sail boat program, a key asset to the Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island. They worked with the Skidaway Island Boating Club to introduce a new summer ocean sailing race called the "Low Country Hook." Please read the description of this great event below.

The Caterer Search Committee, led by Vice Commodore Gilroy, has been extremely active. This group has vetted every eligible caterer expressing interest in the position and identified three finalists who have been serving dinners for the last month. The final trial dinner is August 5th, and the Committee's

selection will be chosen shortly thereafter and presented to the Board of Stewards for approval on August 16th. This has been a very time intensive effort, and I applaud the diligence of an extraordinary group in their completion of a critical process that insures the continued success of our fine club in providing a major, appealing benefit to its membership.

Numerous boating activities have continued to bring pleasure to both our sailing members and power boaters. Mike Gilroy has led some wonderful excursions for power boaters, and the Flying Scots have had some exciting races.

The outside landscaping requires a great deal of both professional and volunteer maintenance, but efforts have paid off giving the Club a well-groomed appearance. Thanks to all who have participated. Our next area of attention is the kitchen. The Nauti Ladies have taken the lead in seeking professional advice. This will be a major topic at the next Board of Stewards meeting.

I look forward to being back on the job August 5th. Enjoy the rest of the summer!



# NAUTI LADIES REPORT

Janet Gillespie  
President

Carole Moore  
Vice President

Mary Ryan  
Secretary

Diane Stortz  
Treasurer

Jeanne Christenson  
Sunshine

## President's Report

by Janet Gillespie

Before the July meeting, Miss Pat served us the tastiest luncheon so far: a Goat Cheese Salad, a choice of Citrus Glazed Salmon or Chicken Breast, Rice Pilaf, Fresh vegetables and Dessert. It was appreciated by all.

After the Secretary, Treasurer and Sunshine Reports, the Old Business of the tour to the Tea Plantation was discussed. This tour will be offered again in Oct.

Marilyn Owen is looking for the small, green tubes that hold out flowers. If you have any, would you please give them to her?

Marilyn is also working on an activity including lunch for Sept. Stay tuned.

Our next meeting (Aug. 11) will be a pool party held at Frances Viverette's home in Indigo Run. It will start at 11AM so we can enjoy the pool before lunch. Members are asked to bring a favorite food to share. Notice will go out Aug. 1. Carole Moore

brought up the subject on cleaning our kitchen. It was decided that it was a big job and that we would look into having it professionally cleaned. Betty Bush found out that Spanish Wells Club had hired a company, Hoodz, that specializes in cleaning kitchens. I contacted the owner and some of us will meet with him to get a quote.

### *Greeters:*

July 15 Marilyn Owen

July 22 Jeanne Christenson

July 29 Mary Ryan

Aug. 5: Andrea Shotz

Aug 12: Kathe Golden

# Food & Beverage Report

Leslie Gilroy  
Chairwoman

Carole Moore

Carol Lang

Beginning in June at Commodore Lang's request, six members formed a "Search Committee" for a new caterer. Carole Moore, Anne Landis, Janet Gillespie, Betty Bush, John Fraser and Mike Gilroy settled on Tuesday morning at 10:30 for their weekly meetings. The process began by identifying local caterers, each of whom were contacted by individual committee members to gauge their interest in catering our Friday dinners and the Sunset Rotary Monday dinners. Those who indicated interest were provided with a "Request for Proposal" outlining what would be expected of a caterer, both during the interview process and once a final choice was made. Twenty two entities were contacted, several had personal interviews with the Committee, and three candidates were invited to prepare two meals for the membership on Friday nights. "Roy's Catering", "Anuschka's Kitchen" and "Miss Pat" have each prepared one Friday meal.

Meal surveys were sent after each meal to gauge the membership's reaction to each caterer's meals. Interim interviews were held with each candidate after each had prepared their initial meal. The survey results for their meal

were discussed and a draft contract which will be required of the successful candidate was presented. Each candidate is going to prepare their second meal in late July and early August, followed by more surveys, and a successful candidate will be chosen by the Search Committee during the week of August 8 and formally recommended to the Board of Stewards at their August 16 meeting. The process will have consumed almost two months and countless hours of effort by the Committee. Be sure to thank them when you run into them at the Club.

Mike Gilroy  
Chair

*Watch for your weekly Constant  
Contact reservation notice.  
Remember reservations help to  
save money. Please make your  
reservation by Thursday online.*

# Bartenders for August



Pat Foley  
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**August 5, 2016**

**Dennis Foley and Dave Shkor**

**August 12, 2016**

**Terri and Ernie Ayr**

**August 19, 2016**

**Aubrey and Jan Vaughan**

**August 26, 2016**

**Leslie and Mike Gilroy**





# The Ship's Store

## Hello from the Ship's Store

by Betty Bush

The Ship's Store is that armoire over in the corner of the main room at the Yacht Club. A Ship's Store is traditionally a place where you can find all your needs to outfit your boat/yacht. Our Ship's Store can supply you with all manner of things that include clothing, such as shirts, vests, jackets, sweat shirts and caps or a variety of other items (burgees, boat bags, note cards, license plates) that wear the Club logo. If we don't have your size or preferred color in stock, I can order and have it for you in two weeks. The doors are always



open when the club is open, so come to visit us soon and OFTEN! Oh, you don't need cash, your purchase goes on a chit to be billed at the end of the month.

# Sailing/ Regatta/ Boating Activities Committee Reports

Deb Pepe  
Chairwomen

Henry Schultz  
Fleet Captain Flying Scots

Mike Gilroy  
Boating Events

## Monthly Events

August 8  
Lunch Cruise to Beaufort  
Riverfront

August 22  
Lunch Cruise to AJ's



### **The Skidaway Island Boating Club And The Yacht Club Of Hilton Head Island Launch A Summer Sailing Race Called The Low Country Hook**

SAVANNAH, GA – July 26, 2016 – The Skidaway Island Boating Club (SIBC) and The Yacht Club of Hilton Island Head Island (YCHHI) have worked together to launch a summer ocean sailing race called the “Low Country Hook.” The event will begin on Friday, August 5 in Hilton Head. The course will run from Hilton Head out to sea, passing Tybee Island, and then up the Wassaw Sound, finishing at The Landings Harbor on Skidaway Island.

The Savannah skippers will first sail to Harbour Town Yacht Basin on Hilton Head Island. There will be a welcome party and Skipper’s

Meeting hosted by the YCHHI. The Savannah skippers and crew will stay the night and the race will begin the following morning, Saturday August 6. The course will take about 6 hours with some variation on timing due to winds. After the race is complete there will be a fleet party at the Landings Harbor Marina, which will be open to all participants, sponsoring club members, and guests.

There will be two classes of yachts entering the competition, Spinnaker and Nonspinnaker. The race will be open to any type of sailboat larger than 22 feet. Organizers will use a published handicap system to adjust the entrants to equivalent times so that both large and small sailboats can compete fairly. Prizes will be given for first, second and third place finishing sailboats for both classes.

## Power Up!

Yacht Club "stink boaters" took to the sea a couple of times in the last month.

On June 24, four boats and fourteen people cruised over to the Eagle's Nest at Bloody Point for lunch, enjoying clear skies and a 5 mph wind. As always, the staff met us at the dock and ferried us up to the club. Four crazy people actually stayed and played nine holes of golf. They shall remain nameless.

On July 12, two boats carried eleven members over to Palmetto Bluff for our third and final dinner cruise of the year. Consistent with its performance for our previous dinner cruises, the staff at the River House welcomed us with superb service. And we all made it home well before dark as advertised.

On July 25, 4 boats and 16 members braved blue skies and calm waters to embark on the Flying Fish lunch cruise. Arriving ahead of schedule, we were served within 20 minutes and back on our boats headed for home before 1:00. Great new location: convenient,

receptive and good food. Definitely a "keeper" for next year.

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## Another Opportunity to Sail

After all the good times that were had during the Conch race and trip this past winter, it occurred to some of us that another sailing trip would be great fun. I have a reliable broker for charter rentals in the Virgin Islands. We can charter a large Catamaran with captain and a mate at a reasonable price. This includes all meals, drinks and the boat. Add in the airfare and a tip and it looks like it can be done for about \$3000 per person for the week. For that price we would need a total of 6. Let me know if you have any interest and we can set up a meeting to discuss details.

First come first served.

Al Pepe  
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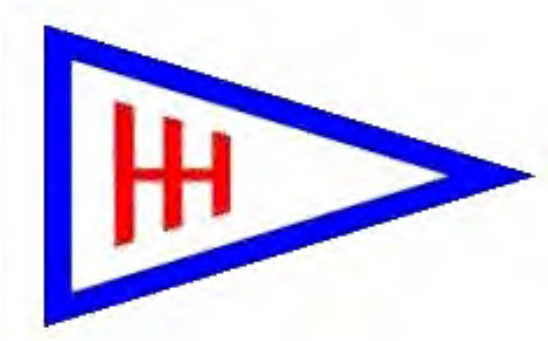
My understanding is that the saying - the cat's in the cradle is an old nautical term. You hook the cat-block to the ring of the anchor and haul it up close to the cat-head and you have the cat in the cradle. A boat was often referred to as a cradle because the motion of the sea rocked it. The string game - cat's in the cradle - is a child's activity with the end result looking much like the pattern formed by the ropes operating the sails.

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# August

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31	1	2	3	4	5 6:00 Dinner	6
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1:00 Mahjong	10:00 Lunch Cruise to Beaufort Riverfront 6:00 - 10:00 Rotary Club	1:00 Mahjong	Hackers Golf	11:00 Nauti Ladies Meeting at Frances Viverette's	6:00 Dinner	
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