

November 2020

THE MAIN SHEET



The Scot fleet has not been able to race this fall but at least one of the club boats is getting some use. New member Jason Boronski cleaned up the club's white Flying Scot and took it for a sail at sunset. Thanks for a great photo, Jason!



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Commodore's Comments

Dear fellow members,

The Yacht Club year is almost over and the change of watch will happen on Nov 6. It, for many reasons, will be an informal "pizza party"; no evening wear or white table linen. I will miss the chance to put on the tux and go formal but can look forward to next year. Please come and join us.

The annual meeting was held in the club parking lot on Friday, October 30. The elected Board of Stewards Class of 2023 is Nancy Contel, Leslie Gilroy and Andrea Shotz.

Our floating dock is almost ready for construction and we should be sailing soon! We also have a candidate for club chef and will be starting some trial meals in the near future. Thanks to Babs Erny and her committee.

It has been a pleasure serving as Commodore this past year. I would like to thank all of the dedicated club members who make that job relatively easy by putting in large amounts of time and energy doing the actual work.

Al Pepe, Commodore

October Oyster Roast





Food & Beverage Committee

Leslie Gilroy
Chair

Dana Wheatley

Tom Hough

Lynne Harlan

Cheri Sires

Demo Dinners are \$22.00, the
pizza party is \$10.00

Upcoming Events

Friday, October 30
**Annual Meeting and
Parking Lot Trunk or Treat**
Bar Open

Friday, November 6
Change of Watch Pizza Party
Complimentary Beer and Wine

Friday, November 13
Demo Dinner
Leslie from Bluffton's The Cottage

Friday, November 20
Happy Hour

Friday, December 4
Happy Hour

Friday, December 11
Demo Dinner
Leslie from Bluffton's The Cottage

Friday, December 18
Ugly Sweater Contest
More to come

Yacht Club Float

The Yacht Club Float is getting closer to a reality. The final design plans are almost complete for a 24 X 24 foot Float and construction will begin soon. Phase one of the plan is to construct and launch two separate 12' x 12' sections and to join them at their mooring location in view of the club.

Flying Scots

Jim Vaughn
Fleet Captain Flying Scots

It will look much like the photo, but without the post holes. This will enable us to keep a pair of fully rigged Flying Scots at the Float, available for day sailing, racing and/or instruction. We could also keep one or two Sunfish on the Float, available for use. Also, a dock box will be installed to provide storage for associated equipment.



We will have an inflatable dinghy available for transportation to and from the Float. A use coordination system will be established to share it among simultaneous activities. Unless and until we have dinghy space at the Marina (not in the near future), we will launch the dinghy via the Cross Island ramp as usual.

The second phase will be to construct and launch two more 12' x12' sections and join them to the first two to complete the 24' x 24' float. The completed Float will have sufficient space for two fully rigged Flying Scots ON the Float and more in the water, plus one or more Sunfish and Kayaks ON the Float.

In the very near future we will be asking for volunteers to participate in the construction of the Floats in the Club's parking lot.

The Float Design Team
Norm Shotz, Hap Todd, Jim Vaughn



Yacht Club Float

Thank you to those who contributed to a very successful fund raising event!

Howard and Grace Abel

Ron and Pat Hughes

Hap and Cathy Todd

Tom and Candi Hough

Jean Hillenbrand

Terry and Mary Jo Herron

Jeanne Christensen

Mary Ryan

Erin Rota

Aubrey and Jan Vaughan

Cecil and Frances Viverette

Babs Erny

Sonny and Mary Ann Compher

Norm and Andrea Shotz

Mike and Leslie Gilroy

John and Jean Kocher

Deno and Elaine Caloudas

Marilyn Owen

Nancy Contel

Lynn Gavett

John and Carol Lang

Bobbi and Stan Leavitt

John and Joan Fraser

Dick West

John and Julie Traylor

George and Mary Cohen

Nancy Watts and Ed Webber

Jim and Julie Vaughn

Demetri Telionis

Bill & Lynne Harlan

Al and Deb Pepe

Bob and Kathe Golden

Jim and Shari Manning

Betty Bush

In memory of Don and Linda Robbins

Welcome all 2020 new members!

Mike & Ruthie Tyson

Amy Dodds

Andrea & Allen Jones

Trey Lowe

Josh Wood

Mark & Sue Cleveland

Richard West

Jerry & Rhonda Hare

Michael Trew

Power Boats

Mike Gilroy

Sadly, the 2020 Power Boat Lunch and Dinner Cruises have come to a close, but Mike Gilroy plans to have the 2021 schedule ready in early Spring.

Many YCHHI boaters are still out on the water taking advantage of the beautiful weather we are having. On a recent afternoon, this Blue Heron hitched a ride on Dave Shkor's boat. Just as the boat was passing a sandbar to turn and head past the boats in Skull Creek this guy flew off the sandbar and hopped aboard. He rode the rail all the way into the slip. He then flew off to land on the same sandbar he had just left. He appeared to be waiting for his next ride to come along.



Committee and Club Happenings

Due to COVID-19 many Yacht Club functions had canceled all of their events, but plans are to being made for cautious start-ups. More to come soon.

NautiLadies

Carol Lang, President
Marilyn Owen, VP
Lynne Harlan, Secretary
Julie Traylor, Treasurer

The Ship's Store

Marty Cohen, Chair
Andrea Shotz
Jan Vaughn

The

Fun[d] Committee

Mary Ryan
Babs Erny
Jean Hillenbrand
Candi Hough
John Lang, Speakers
Marilyn Owen, Consultant
Trish Bouley, Volunteer
Linda Sheets, Volunteer

Search for New Caterer

Babs Erny headed a committee to find and vet a new caterer. Babs, Shelby Challenger, Trish Bouley, and Mark Falkenstein divided up the 32 possibilities found through internet and recommendations. After contacting them by email and phone, they narrowed it to 12 and interviewed seven. One person was interested who fits the club's requirements. Leslie from The Cottage in Bluffton will be cooking two meals, one in November and one in December.

Committee presents 2021 Marketing Plan to BOS

In early August a Marketing Committee was formed with the overall purpose of creating a club marketing plan with specific ideas, actions, timeline, cost, and evaluation.

Some of the many actions that were undertaken to complete the plan included reviews of current printed materials, website, and social media; identifying potential partnerships, soliciting input on ideas and understanding what attracts members through new member focus groups.

While the Plan was intended for 2021 and is being presented to the Board of Stewards for implementation, a number of end products were completed by the committee. These include new brochures, a new webmaster, and new member handbook.

Committee members included Mary Ryan, Chair, Ernie Ayala, Jean Hillenbrand, Cheri Sires, Julie Traylor, and Dick West.

If you take photos of YCHHI events and would like to see them in the Main Sheet, please email to julie.traylor17@gmail.com. Thank you to all our photographers for the great photos this month.

Following Wine



Publix has Fog Theory Cabernet Sauvignon and other varietals of this label on sale recently 2 for \$16.99. Several months ago they had it on sale for \$11.99, I tried the '17 Cabernet and found it very enjoyable. The regular price at Publix is \$16.99 so this is a better deal than the last sale. Fog Theory is a California wine, they make several varietals and the '17 Cabernet Sauvignon is rated as one of their best offerings. Their Pinot Noir did not receive very good reviews.

They also had Seven Deadly Sins wine on sale recently. I've only tried the Zinfandel which is very, very good. The Cabernet and a red blend are also rated pretty high. Usually the price is in the low teens, they're having two for \$17.99 so that really is a good deal.

While these wines may not be on sale at this reading, it's worthwhile to check the local ads regularly. If you go to publix.com, "chose your store", click on "savings", then click on "view ad" to see the wines for that week. And as a reminder the Kroger at Shelter Cove has a 20% off sale when purchasing 12 bottles or more at least once every month. Send your email to Barry Wilson, barry.wilson@stores.kroger.com and he will email you with a heads up for the next sale. He also takes special orders, one or more, that are eligible for the 20% off when purchasing any 12 bottles (mix or match).

Cheers! 

Babs Erny

"I cook with wine;
sometimes I even
add it to the food."

— W.C. Fields



DrinkWineDay.com

HILTON HEAD HEROES UPDATE

The Hilton Head Heroes program that is supported by the Yacht Club members and skippers has been different this year due to the virus problems. The Hero House was totally shut down till the end of June and was reopened with extreme preparations to be as safe as possible for the Hero children. Since the first family joined us over eleven years ago the only mandatory rule was anyone under the age of 18 was required to wear a life jacket while on the boat and this year we had to add that everyone on the boat had to wear what has become all too common today, the face mask.

We've slowed down a little compared to "normal" years but the last family that went with us did set an unofficial mark, they were the family that came the furthest to participate in the Hilton Head Hero Program and take part in the Hilton Head Yacht Club boating adventure. The family was Mom and Dad and their 3 sons, ages 14, 11, 8 with Ryan, the 14 year old being the Hero Child coming all the way from Chandler, Arizona, just outside Phoenix.

Our boat trip took place under ideal conditions and we made a circumnavigation around Pinckney Island. Just as we were running at speed about to go around the backside of Pinckney, Darren, the 8 year old who was sitting next to me tugged at my arm and pointed just outside the boat. There, flying parallel and matching our speed and close to the water was a large, mature Bald Eagle no more that 20 - 30 feet away and stayed with us while we all marveled at the sight. The kids got to drive the boat which was a first for all of them.

What we do for these ill children and families can be summed up in a couple of sentences written by the Mom on a thank you note where she wrote, "This was Ryan's favorite part of the Hero trip. Thank you for making a lifetime of memories for Ryan". signed The Randall Family, Chandler, AZ

~Dave Shkor



Better days to come...

Pre-COVID raft-up for Boys-Girls Club sailing adventure. In normal years, YCHHI boaters volunteer for this fun day.

YCHHI Members Welcome at the Harbour Town Yacht Club

The YCHHI and the HTYC are both members of the YCOA, Yachting Club of America. Members of the YCOA have various levels of access to yacht clubs all around the country.

The HTYC is located in the heart of Harbour Town. The club bar is open seven days a week from four in the afternoon. It's a great place for a break during a visit to the attractions of Harbour Town.

YCHHI members should have in hand their YCHHI membership card as well as the Yachting Club of America membership card to facilitate their visit. Cards are available for YCHHI members at Friday night dinners or by contact with the club secretary, Linda Bange.

Links on our website provide information about both the Harbour Town Yacht Club and the Yachting Club of America.

One morning, a grandmother was surprised to find that her 7-year old grandson had made her coffee. Smiling, she choked down the worst cup of her life. When she finished, she found three little green Army men at the bottom. Puzzled, she asked, "Honey, what are these Army men doing in my coffee?" Her grandson answered, "Like it says on TV, Grandma. 'The best part of waking up is soldiers in your cup.'



WANTED

Looking for a well-maintained racing-rigged Flying Scot to buy.

**Lucy Keenan
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Change of Watch

The Change of Watch will take place on November 6 with Candi Hough assuming the position of Commodore, Kathe Golden, Vice-Commodore, and Julie Traylor, Rear Commodore. Class of '23 Board of Steward members include Andrea Shotz, Leslie Gilroy, and Nancy Contel.



CANDI AND TOM HOUGH

Introducing our new commodore...

Candi was born in Illinois and raised in Lake Wales, FL. She attended Auburn University, then the University of Florida where she obtained a BS in Chemistry. Moving to Charleston, WV, she worked for Union Carbide Corporation and earned a MS in Engineering from WV College of Graduate Studies, now a part of Marshall University.

She also met Tom in Charleston, married, and raised two children, Chris and Rebecca. They moved around the country, living in Georgia, California, Virginia and Florida as they pursued their careers. In 2011 they purchased a home on Hilton Head, renovated it, and retired here in 2013. They love their island life and hope to never leave!