



The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island

## The Main Sheet

April, 2011



### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

St. Patrick's Day was a huge success. Thanks to Hugh O'Connor who organized and participated in the parade. We used Jim Vaughn's Sunfish, which we decorated and pulled in the parade. Those who walked were; Linda O'Connor, Leslie & Mike Gilroy, Judith & Bill Lawrenson, Jim Patsios, Jim Carnevale, Mary Ann and myself. Marilyn Owen also helped to decorate the boat. Jim Carnevale's 1954 Green Chevy pickup truck gave up at the bridge coming on the Island so we went with the "Back Up". (my truck) After the parade, Megan prepared the traditional Corned Beef and Cabbage. We had 69 turn out for the meal. We need everyone to please call or e-mail a reservation for the dinners on Friday nights and other special dinners.

Our 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary dinner is coming up on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April at 6 PM. We have a special treat that evening. Jim Kola has been working on this for several months. He and Ray Faust have contracted a local Magician, Gary Maurer, who will entertain us. The Food & Beverage committee has selected Filet Mignon with skewered shrimp for our main entrée at a very reasonable price of \$25.00 per person. It will be a plated dinner. We have priced this at cost so please make an effort to come and enjoy yourselves. The complete menu will be in this mainsheet. We are inviting some of the previous Commodores who still live in the area. It will be a fun evening! We do need a reservation.

We are changing our trash haulers to Republic Services on April 1<sup>st</sup>. They will provide trash containers and a recycling container. We will have two trash cans in the dining area, one for trash and one for glass and plastic. We do not have to separate the items for recycling. The price will be 1/3 of what we are currently paying.

The annual clean up day will be held on 30 April starting at 10 AM. Dennis Foley is heading up this committee. We will concentrate on cleaning outside furniture, removal of winter debris and clearing the parking lot for a busy summer. Come one, come all for a busy and productive day. We are planning on painting the outside of the building sometime in April or May.

The Saturday Small Boat meetings are going well. Jim Vaughn suggested we put together two Sun Fish sailboats for use by the members and have them on the dock for the summer. We have these under the building and will work on getting these ready soon. The fire on the dock recently burned the JY15 and will be removed. We have received compensation for the damaged boat. Two Flying Scots were launched on March 20<sup>th</sup> and they are rigged and ready to go. We had 8 members out on the two boats for a nice sail. Ede Thiele provided a delicious lunch. These are for members use. Please make sure you are up to the task and qualified. Jim Vaughn or Bill Lawrenson will be glad to help you. Our next meeting will be Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Don Robbins will lead the meeting with fiberglass repair and painting. Weather permitting we will have a sail on the Flying Scots. Lunch will be provided by Judith Lawrenson. The Flying Scot racing series will start this month so get your crews ready for this season's event. The dates are on the calendar. The 40<sup>th</sup> Harbourtown Cup is on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 2011. The information and a copy of the entry form for the race is on the bulletin board.

We are changing the Internet, cable TV and phone service from Hargray to Time Warner. The service will be installed before April 15th. We will be saving approximately \$75. per month.

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# NAUTILADIES



The Nautiladies welcomed Mary Greenwell, a new member, during the March meeting. For those of you who are new to the Yacht Club, please note that the Nautiladies is the women's organization. We meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 1:00. We plan Club activities, have social events, and raise money for YC improvements. Our main focus is on inside projects. Nautiladies take responsibility for greeters and bar tenders for Friday night dinners. We are also responsible for the table and dining room decorations. Everyone agrees we have a good time and welcome all new members to join us.

Betty Y. Bush is doing a bang up business at the Ship's Store. The angler shirts and yellow jackets are selling like hot cakes. Next time you are there for Friday Night Dinner, be sure to see what Betty has to offer.

The March cooking class's date had to be changed to March 24<sup>th</sup>. As a result, not enough people were able to attend, so the class has been canceled. Hopefully, the class scheduled for April will be well attended. The theme for April's class will be grilling. All of you back yard grillers won't want to miss Megan's class.

Marilyn Owen is planning something special for May! It will be a Treasure Hunt. This is a tease, so stay tuned for more details of when and where.

The Harbor Town Cup Regatta is scheduled for April 30<sup>th</sup>. There will be a Friday night dinner for the sailors and racing on Saturday, with awards following. Judith and Bill Lawrenson are working hard to organize the Regatta and have asked the Nautiladies to provide appetizers for the awards presentation. Happy anniversary to Betsy and Rich Poling.

See you at the Club,  
*Helen Kola*

## ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE 2011



Dave Shkor launches his new boat, "Back Again", with the help of a few friends.



## BOATERS REPORT...

Well, our cars, decks, driveways are covered in yellow pine pollen, so we know that Spring has officially arrived. Our clocks have been set an hour forward so our evenings have more daylight to play. Let's use that daylight to enjoy our first raft-up of the season behind Middle Marsh on April 16th. I've already heard from several skippers who plan to be there so we should start the boating season with a good turnout.

As a reminder to invited crew, don't forget to chip in to your skipper to help defray the cost of almost \$5 per gallon for marine fuel.

For any skipper coming to the raft-up, there will be a fun twist that you might want to try. I'm going to set up a poker run that should add a little challenge as you head to Middle Marsh. There will be three anchored floats (all located within a mile of the raft) that will consist of a float ball and water tight bag. In the bag will be envelopes containing two poker playing cards. I will give all skippers that latitude, longitude, coordinates earlier than the raft date and on this first poker run, I've decided to make it easy for all by letting the skippers use GPS, plot on a chart before leaving or whatever you need to do to find the 3 floats. Once you've pulled an envelope from each of the floats, head to the raft where we will open the envelopes together to see who has the best hand. Each skipper will "anty up" \$5 into the pot with the winner of the best hand taking all. The more skippers we have, the better, and it should be a fun challenge. Let's give it a try.

For May, we've scheduled the 7th for the boat-to, drive-to lunch seafood buffet at South Beach's Salty Dog. On the 21st we will have a raft-up in Bull Creek with a session of flare shoot-off practice.

Dave Shkor— the powerboat guy

Commodore's letter continued...

**April means that the parking lot is out of use until fall. During our clean up day, we will prepare the lot for summer use and parking. Please pull to the back of the parking lot if you come in early. I understand that some want to leave early but we need to have spaces available for all of the members. The space for the trailers and boats is almost full and is creating a good cash flow. If you have a trailer or boat and want to rent, it is only \$25 per month.**

**We have three new members I would like to welcome. Bill & Mary Speenburgh, Doris & Bob Broere, and Paul Ford & Donna Murray. Please welcome them.**

**The Hilton Head Sail & Power Squadron has invited us to join them at the 11<sup>th</sup> St. Dockside Restaurant in Port Royal on April 9<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon. The cost is \$23. per person. You can come by boat or car. It is a seafood buffet with about 25 items. If you would like to go, please call Mary Ann. Make your check payable to HHS & PS and send to Mary Ann Compher at 59 Marshland Road, Hilton Head, SC 29926. This event is usually a sell out. The deadline is April 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**I am planning a cruise to New England and the Nova Scotia area on September 8<sup>th</sup> for 9 days from Baltimore on Royal Caribbeans's "Enchantment of the Seas". The itinerary is on the bulletin board in the hallway. The prices start at \$951 per person for an inside cabin, outside cabin \$1241 and balcony is \$1841 per person. We have 3 couples going so far. This should be a nice trip for anyone wanting to see that area by cruise ship. Please let me know if you are interested.**

**Sonny Compher, Commodore**



## YCHHI April, 2011 Events and Activities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>Mah Jongg</b>	<b>Hackers Golf</b>		<b>1 Lunch Dinner-<u>Salmon</u></b>  <b>(Ivan) Bush</b>	<b>2 Small Boat Meeting</b>  
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5 Mah Jongg</b>	<b>6 Hackers Golf</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8 Nautladies Lunch Dinner-<u>Meat Loaf</u></b>  <b>Greenwell</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12 Mah Jongg</b>	<b>13 Hackers Golf</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15 Lunch Dinner-<u>Italian Night</u></b>  <b>Kola &amp; Kwiatkowski</b>	<b>16 Flying Scot Race</b>
<b>17</b>  <b>Anniver-sary Party</b>	<b>18 Board of Stewards 4:00PM</b>	<b>19 Mah Jongg</b>	<b>20 Hackers Golf</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22 Lunch Dinner-<u>Pecan crusted chicken</u></b>  <b>Lawrenson</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b>  <b>BRUNCH</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26 Mah Jongg</b>	<b>27 Hackers Golf</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29 Lunch Dinner- <u>Loin of Pork</u></b>  <b>Fraser</b>	<b>30 Clean-up Day</b>

**BARTENDERS:** The names in red listed each Friday are the bartenders for that night.

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