

THE MAIN SHEET

Monthly Newsletter of The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island



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Commodore's Comments

by Mike Gilroy



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Class of 2019

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I Have Loved Every Minute

I have two favorite quotes.

The first is: "There is no end to what you can accomplish if you don't care who gets the credit." Robert Woodruff, Chairman Emeritus, The Coca-Cola Company

The second is: "Some men see things as they are and say, why; I dream things that never were and say, why not." Senator Edward M. Kennedy, paraphrasing George Bernard Shaw, in his 1968 eulogy for his slain brother, Bobby.

Serving as Rear Commodore, Vice Commodore and finally Commodore strikes people as tedious, time consuming and arduous. They look at you with outward admiration and inward not quite pity, but close.

Well let me tell you. I have filled those three roles, and I HAVE LOVED EVERY MINUTE.

You, the members of this Yacht Club, entrusted me to fill those three roles and gave me the opportunity to see things as they are, and as they could be, and not only say "Why not?", but actually try to make those things happen. You not only gave me that opportunity, but you rallied around me and volunteered to make things as they could be. Our club is a better place today because of your willingness to undertake those things.

Don't get me wrong. There are significant challenges ahead. We only put a dent in what's necessary to bootstrap this Yacht Club up to what it can be AND WHAT WE WANT IT TO BE. Our incoming Commodore, Cecil Viverette, will have significant challenges to bringing the Yacht Club up to the standard we all want it to be. But it will be you, the membership, that will rally around him to make those things happen.

This is my last column as your Commodore and so it is my last opportunity to say Thank You for giving me the opportunity to be your Commodore. It has been an exceptional experience, and I HAVE LOVED EVERY MINUTE.

To see a complete list of all events go to: www.YACHTCLUBHH.org/calendar/



NAUTI LADIES REPORT

Arlene Walker President

Carole Moore Vice President

> Mary Ryan Secretary

Diane Stortz
Treasurer

Kathy Golden Sunshine

President's Report

The Naut Ladies meeting was held on October 12, 2017.

Congratulations to Mary Ann Compher who celebrated a birthday on October 9th.

Greeters for November:

November 3rd - Marilyn Owen November 17th - Deb Pepe November 24th - Carole Moore

Reminder - Club Christmas Party is on December 10th and the Naut Ladies Christmas lunch is on December 14th.

The Naut Ladies voted to reimburse Miss Pat \$45.00 plus tax for the cost of 5 large flags depicting the branches of the military. These flags will be used for the Veteran's Day dinner and other appropriate National holidays. We also voted to reimburse Sonny Compher approximately \$350 for the purchase of the blower which will be used to keep our parking lot clean and save time doing so.

New slate of officers was elected:

President - Mary Ann Compher Vice President - Carole Lang Treasurer - Diane Stortz Secretary - Mary Ryan Sunshine Fund - Kathe Golden

Kathe Golden will be the Board of Stewards rep for the Naut Ladies. Thank you Anne Landis who will be stepping down and has served for many years in this position.

Our next meeting will be November 9th at Mary Ryan's home. At this meeting we will be bringing at least 6 dozen 2" cookies for "Treat the Troops." We will bag the cookies for mailing at the meeting. You can get copies of recipes from Mary Ann Compher, if needed.

On December 16th the ceremony placing wreaths at Beaufort National Cemetery will be held. If you would like to contribute to this worthy cause, you may give a check for \$30 made out to "Wreaths across America" to Mary Ann Compher. This will pay for three wreaths.

Food & Beverage

Report

Leslie Gilroy Chairwoman

Carole Moore

Carol Lang

Al Pepe

Watch for your weekly Constant
Contact reservation notice.
Remember reservations help to
save money. Please make your
reservation by 12:00 noon on
Wednesday online.

Remember you can pickup a To-Go meal after dinner for only \$11. See Ms. Pat!

November 3 VETERANS TRIBUTE

6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour 7:00 Dinner

Salisbury Steak
Catch of the day Flaky White Fish

November 11 - \$45

6:30 to 7:30 Cocktail Hour 7:30 Dinner

CHANGE OF WATCH

November 17

6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour 7:00 Dinner

> Mexican Roast Pork Shrimp Jambalaya

November 24

6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour

Chicken Parmesan Spaghetti with Meat Balls



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Bartenders for November



The Houghs

November 10, 2017

NO DINNER SERVICE

November 17, 2017

The Goldens

November 24, 2017

The Moores

The Ship's Store

Hello from the Ship's Store

SPRING IS ABOUT TO SPRING!

by Betty Bush

Fall is in the air! Soon we will be thinking about Christmas gifts. If there is an item that you would like the Ships Store to have in stock for Christmas, please talk to me.

As for now, I have just gotten 'boat bags' in two sizes and a great quality that you simply can not be without! Also I have attractive, adjustable aprons that are suitable for men or women and



have the Yacht Club's logo embroidered on them. Stop by the store. It is open every Friday evening.



Y'ALL COME BACK NOW!

Sailing/ Regatta/ Boating Activities Committee Reports

Jim Landis Large Sail Boats

Jim Vaughn
Fleet Captain Flying Scots

Mike Gilroy Power Boat Events

Committee Report

YCHHI Members Welcome at the Harbour Town Yacht Club

by Jim Landis

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.

Recently a number of our members visited the HTYC. 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 Sheets.

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

Power Boat Activities

November 8th - AJ's Lunch Cruise

TBD - Taste of Daufuskie



Fellow Sailors - Flying Scot Fleet Report

by Jim Vaughn

For the FS fleet there was good news and bad news in 2017

The good news:

Fleet 134 has the most boats in the fleet in its history with 9 boats! There are 3 YCHHI boats and 6 individually owned. Of those numbers 2 YC boats and 5 individual boats were active in one or more races this year to date.

All the YCHHI boats have had some refurbishing in the last two years with the last, the red boat, newly painted and ready to be rigged. Thanks go to Don Robbins, Norm Shotz, and Hap Todd who took on the leader ship of caring for the club Scots this year. Many others also helped.

While the FS fleet is open to non YCHHI members, all but one of the current active boats are sailed by YCHHI members.

Wexford YC borrowed three of our fleet this summer and ran a successful learn to sail program. Two of the borrowed boats were YCHHI and two private boats also participated at different times

Fleet 134 participated in the SCYC Ocean Challenge and we had 5 Scots participate in the Harbour Town and Calibogue Cups. Racing was so tight in the CalCup that two races came down to less than a 12" difference at the finish line!

The not great news:

Racing and member use of the Club boats was curtailed this year by the loss of the docks at Palmetto Bay marina during Hurricane Matthew

The YCHHI entered into an agreement with Wexford Harbor to host Scots in their facility for race weekends and our member's use during the summer and fall. Unfortunately Hurricane Irma required our Scots to be moved out of Wexford curtailing the use of Wexford for both racing and member sailing.

Also due to Irma, the fleet was unable to sail the first race weekend shortening the season.

The good outweighs the bad by a great degree!

The last scheduled race weekend is Nov. 11/12 Come join us.

There are boats and crew spots available

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The Fun[d] Committee Report

Committee Members:

Candi Hough

Deb Pepe

Kathe Golden

Mary Ryan

What a great and FUN fall!

The FUN(d) Committee would like to thank ALL of the members who have participated in the fall activities. You have been great and YOU have made all of the events wonderfully successful

A very, very special thanks to the members who went above and beyond the call to provide the FUN(d) activities.

Thanks to Sonny and Mary Ann Compher for the Boat and Toast.

Thanks to the FUN(d) committee members for the Brats and Beer.

Thanks to Betty Bush for the Wine Tasting idea. Great event for the members.

Thanks to the Gilroys' for the Host and Toast.

But wait.....we aren't done yet. We want to have more FUN.

November 1 – The World Famous Rib Cook Off 6:00 to 8:00 - Donation event. Tasting menu (not a full dinner).

> November 3 – Veterans Day Dinner (Friday Night) We will honor our veterans

> > November 15 – Trivia Night

Again, each and every member who has come to an event has helped make the Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island – The Fun Club. Many Thanks!!



Boys and Girls Club Sailaround

by Dave Shkor



On Saturday, October 28th, the Yacht Club of Hilton Head and the Boys and Girls Club of Hilton Head came together for an afternoon of powerboating and sailing with a group of Boys and Girls Club kids.

The day started with the powerboats from the Yacht Club meeting and picking up the group of



youngsters at the Skull Creek Marina for a run to the backside of Middle Marsh Island off the south end of Hilton Head. Along the way,

all the kids had a turn at the wheel with side trips for up close dolphin watching and pelican diving. Already behind Middle Marsh was Mike Roe's anchored sailboat ROEBOAT. The anchor boat acted as the lynch pin for the now arriving powerboats to tie off of forming a raft. At the same time, coming to Middle Marsh were two of the YC Club's small Flying Scot sailboats that were going to provide the instruction and experience for the kids hands on sailing

With really light winds to start, everyone took a break and had a great lunch prepared by the club's Steward, Miss Pat Harris. With good timing, the wind started picking up right as lunch was ending and the first two youngsters went aboard the sailboat and shoved off. None

of the children had ever been on a small day sailer but with experienced skippers Norm Shotz and Hap Todd along with crew Ivan Puglisi and Deb Pepe the kids quickly got the feel for the boat and it wasn't long before they were on the tiller sailing for the first time.

After a time, the Scots would sail back to the raft, drop off one pair of youngsters, pick up another pair, shove off and do it again. As the afternoon progressed, the wind picked up and so did the sailing speed. One great memory of the day was the sailing of a young girl, Molaysha and a young fellow, Ted. This pair, like the others, had never sailed before. With Hap and Ivan instructing, the two kids took to the boat like naturals. The sight of Ted on the tiller, cutting, at speed, close to the wind just in front of the rafted boats and spectators, and Molaysha controlling the jib sheets, the pair



performed a perfect tack, snapping the boat around to the opposite direction, Molaysha releasing the jib at exactly the right moment and pulled it snug to the other side just as Ted headed tight to the wind. This move was made in two seconds with no loss of boat speed or distance. Just perfect. Everyone on the raft had been watching and broke out in cheers. The adult skipper and crew never touched a thing.

After every child had a turn or two, the powerboats loaded back up for the return to Skull Creek Marina for drop off. The anchor boat pulled anchor, and the Scots sailed home. A good time was had by all, and we look forward to doing it again.

Special thanks go to the powerboaters, Cecil and Frances Viverette, Ernie and Teri Ahr, Dave Shkor, Mary Ryan and Babs Erny the lunch providers, the chase/safety boat of Mark and Charlie Becker, Joann Gullo, The Flying Scot coordinator and chase boat crew, and all others mentioned above.