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THE MAIN SHEET



Plans are underway and lots of action happening regarding the 50th Anniversary of The Harbour Town Cup! Remember, this Regatta will take place October 1-3, so mark your calendars!



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Commodore's Comments

Dear Fellow Members,

Before I was Commodore, I used to wonder what I would say to you once a month in the Commodore's Comments. Now I am finding I have a lot to say! We obtained our permit and demolition has begun on the outdoor deck by Maxworx. Please come to the YCHHI, eat a Friday night dinner and observe our progress.

Speaking of Friday night dinners, Wendell Osborne, our new caterer prepared his first meal on August 13th and it was delicious. Many people said the tiramisu was the best they had ever had!

I hope you read my message in the Constant Contact about returning to our COVID-19 protocols, including masking, social distancing and hand sanitizing. This will continue until the BOS determines the local case counts are at safer levels.

Rear Commodore Julie Traylor has decided that, due to family considerations, she is unable to become our Vice Commodore as planned. After discussions with some Past Commodores, it was suggested that Kathe Golden and I continue in our current positions for another year as we look for another Rear Commodore. This has been voted on and passed by the BOS. We need a member to step up and become our Rear Commodore. Without vibrant leadership, the YCHHI cannot continue.

And finally, thanks to all those who contributed to the carpet replacement fundraising effort. We have met our goal! What a super club we have!

Thanks for all you do,

Candi Hough

Food & Beverage Committee

Leslie Gilroy
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Reservations required for
dinners. Signups will be emailed
to members. All meals are
\$23.00

Take-out is an option. You will
have your dinner served to you
in takeout containers. Takeout
dinners will be served first.

Friday Night Dinners

Hangout & see all the friends you've missed!
Enjoy great food! The bar will be open!!
New members are most welcome!

Chef, Wendell Osborne

Friday, September 3

Panzanella Salad
Chicken and Sausage Jambalaya
Cajun Shrimp Pasta
Zucchini Squash and Red Pepper Medley
Beignets

Friday, September 10

Garden Salad
Roasted Chicken
Okra, Tomato, and Corn smothered Shrimp
Rice Pilaf
Roasted Root Vegetables
Chocolate Brownie

Friday, September 17

Fall Salad (Cranberries, Pecan, Goat Cheese and
Sweet Potato)
Rosemary Dijon Pork Loin
Bourbon Glazed Salmon
Smashed Sweet Potato
Roasted Brussel Sprouts
Pecan Pie

Friday, September 24

Garden Salad
Chicken Cacciatore
Beef Stroganoff
Whipped Potato
Buttered Asparagus
Key Lime Pie

Chef Wendell Osborne



Chef Wendell Osborne has been an integral part of the Lowcountry culinary scene for the past 12 years. Growing up on Hilton Head Island and sharpening his cooking skills at the South Carolina Yacht Club, it's no coincidence he ended up in the kitchen of FISH Casual Coastal Seafood, where the emphasis is on local seafood prepared using authentic Lowcountry techniques. Over the last three years, he has won raves

from locals and tourists alike for his innovative seafood dishes. The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island is thrilled to have him onboard.

Reviews from those who have had the opportunity to dine at the August Friday night dinners have been great. So grab a mask and join us Friday. Take-out dinners will also be available.

Enjoying Friday Night Dinners!



Sailing Update

Solitude:
John and Penni's boat Solitude is up at Marsh Harbor waiting for a rudder repair. We hope in the next few weeks she will be back home and we can take some of you out sailing.

Catalina 22:
The Catalina 22 was tested and sailed very well. Ken Cotogno and I plan to clean her up, put her in a slip or at anchor and get some of you out sailing on her also. Maybe the 22 will make the Regatta.

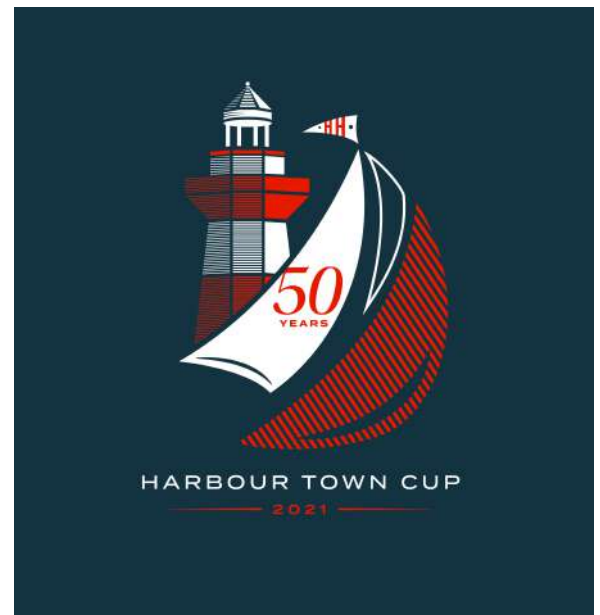
Regatta:
There has not been too much happening with actual sailing during the August heat, but, there has been lots of action happening regarding the 50th Anniversary of The Harbour Town Cup! Remember, this Regatta will take place October 1-3, so mark your calendars!

Club Volunteers are hard at work planning this special regatta. Here are some highlights:

- Jim Landis has boat registration all set on the Regatta Network and sailors are beginning to register.
- We have sponsorships coming onboard including The Sea Pines Merchants Association and Rollers Liquors. Club volunteers are hard at work to add to this list.
- A Pig Roast is being planned at our Club for Saturday, October 2. The entire Club is invited to attend, along with the Regatta competitors. Mark your calendars and plan to join us that evening!
- Thanks to even more volunteers, the race awards are being prepared, as well as lots of preparations in place by the Race Committee. And, as always, more volunteers are always welcome!

Finally, we are proud to present to our membership the Harbour Town Cup 50th Anniversary Logo, created by a team of Club volunteers for this special event!

Hap Todd,
Sailing Chairman



Club Sailing Hap Todd

Upcoming Races

YCHHI cosponsor race,
Low Country Hook
Ocean Race
September 17-18

YCHHI Regatta Weekend
Calibogue and Harbour
Cups
October 2-3

Power Boats

Mike Gilroy



2021 Power Boating Schedule

Month	Date	Rain Date*	Event	Location	Menu
April	Wed 4/14	19-Apr	lunch	The Cottage	HERE
May	Mon 5/17	19-May	lunch	Marker 244	HERE
June	tue 6/1	3-Jun	lunch	Crab Shack	HERE
June	Tue 6/8	8-Jun	DINNER	The Pearl	HERE
June	Mon 6/14	16-Jun	lunch	Fish Camp	HERE
July	Tue 7/13	15-Jul	lunch	Tortugas	HERE
July	Tue 7/20	22-Jul	DINNER	Calhoun St. Tavern	HERE
July	Mon 7/26	28-Jul	lunch	Q on Bay	HERE
Aug	Thu 8/12	16-Aug	lunch	Wyld Dock	HERE
Aug	tue 8/24	26-Aug	lunch	Huey's	HERE
Sept	Thu 9/9	24-Sep	lunch	A.J.'s	HERE
Sept	Thu 9/23	27-Sep	lunch	Buffalo's	HERE
Oct	Mon 10/11	13-Oct	lunch	Flying Fish	HERE
Oct	Tue 10/26	27-Oct	lunch	Hearth	HERE



"What do you mean you were having such a good time on your boating trip you lost track of time? You were supposed to be home over a year ago!"



Sprucing Up the Club!

Replacing the deck and the carpet are underway. Thanks to all those who are helping with these projects.



Thanks to all those who contributed to the carpet replacement fundraising effort. We have met our goal! The fundraising event is now over. Any checks received above and beyond the carpet replacement and fundraising costs will be used in other areas to be decided on by the BOS.

Cohen, Marty
Golden, Bob & Kathe
Schottland, Edward & Nancy
Shkor, Dave
Vaughn, Aubrey & Jan
Guagenti, Louis & Phyllis
Leavitt, Stan & Bobbi
Wastler, Edith
Watts, Nancy / Weber, Ed
Lang, John & Carol
Compher, Sonny & MaryAnn
Anaya, Ernest & Becky
Herron, Terry & Mary Jo
Pepe, Al, Deb, & Rhett

Contel, Nancy
West, Dick
Haller, Harold & Gail
Gilroy, Mike & Leslie
Manning, Jim & Shari
Christenson, Jeanne
Wheatley, Dana
Caloudas, Deno & Elaine
Fay, Peter & Lorrie
Brown, Charlie & Judy
Traylor, John & Julie
Mills, Bryan & Brenda
Stortz, David

Update

Nauti Ladies

Frances Viverette,
President

Bobbie Leavitt,
Vice-President

Mary Ann Compher,
Secretary

Julie Traylor,
Treasurer

September 9, 2021 Regular meeting at the club at 1:00pm. Lunch at Black Marlin at 11:30am. All members, new and prospective are welcome!

December 9, 2021 The date is set for our Annual Christmas Party. This event will be held at the Harbour Town Yacht Club. Mark your calendars.

Members are welcome to join the MahJong group on Sundays at 1PM. Please contact Marilyn Owen if you plan to attend.

Following Wine



Last month we looked at the three white Nobel grapes and this month we'll look at the three reds. They are **Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Pinot Noir**. Again, they were called Nobel because until recently these six grapes comprised the majority of grapes planted for wine making. So let's look at these reds. Their flavor profiles can usually be broken down into whether they have red or black fruit flavors. Black fruit flavored wines generally tend to be darker and darker wines tend to be more full bodied, higher in tannins and bolder in taste. Knowing flavors you like and the flavor profile of a wine should help you in choosing wines in a restaurant or when buying to take home.

Cabernet Sauvignon is the predominant red grape worldwide and can grow in any climate that isn't very cool. It is a grape often used in blending. It can vary greatly in quality, structure and price. It can be rough and biting or soft and easy drinking. With both aging and oak it becomes rich, complex and satiny smooth. It's a black fruit flavored wine: black currants, berries and plums. It can also have spice, black pepper and herbal notes. It is high in tannins, medium to full bodied with a deep color. The less expensive Cabernets can be soft & fruity with medium body.

Merlot is most often a red fruit wine: cherries, raspberries and blueberries with cocoa and/or chocolate. It is deep in color and medium to full bodied. It is usually easy drinking, smooth, soft and fruity. The inexpensive ones are not complex but the more serious and expensive ones can be confused with Cabernets as they have a similar flavor profile.

Pinot Noir is a finicky, troublesome and challenging grape to grow. The grapes are very particular about climate and soil. That said however, a great Pinot Noir could be one of the best wines you'll ever have. It is a red fruit wine: cherries, strawberries and cranberries. It is lighter in color than the other two with a light to medium body and low to medium tannins. The wines are soft, fragrant, fruity and earthy. It is rarely blended.

Keep tasting, it's the best and most enjoyable way to learn.

Babs Erny

WHEN YOU OPEN A BOTTLE OF WINE AND SOMEONE
SUGGESTS YOU
@eightwintet
"SAVE THE CORK IN CASE YOU DON'T FINISH IT ALL"



New Member Profiles

Every month the Main Sheet will help you
get to know your new members

Randie Wolfe



Randie is originally from Chicago. She was a Clinical Social Worker and is now happily retired. She moved to HHI a year ago, after living in Bluffton full time for five years and part time for 18.

A Pisces, she loves the water. She is also a golfer, and growing up in Chicago where summer was short, it was a tough choice, whether to be out on Lake Michigan or to go golfing.

She is happy to be a new member of the Yacht Club and is looking forward to meeting new friends and having lots of fun on the water.

Welcome to all our new 2021 members

Have you seen little blue dots on the name tags of new members? This is your clue to welcome them. We would like these dots to remain for a few months, but may be removed at the discretion of the wearer!

Chris Shively & Corinne Steinbauer
Randie Wolfe
John LaPorte
Mike & Kathy Emery
Jim Gawryszewski
Bobby Luta
Parker Newell

Joe Coppola
Rhett Pepe
Angie Eads
Hansel & Jennifer Thompson
Tobin & Jennifer Johnson
Bryan & Debbie Plonski
Kim & Ron Brown

Save the Date!



Ten and Katie Compher, members of the YCHHI, are offering a cruise on the *Island Queen* for members on Saturday, September 25th. The cruise will start at 5:30 pm at the boat in Broad Creek Marina and end around 7 pm. The *Island Queen* will hold the first 40 members who register. The cost is a \$10 per person and the money will go to the YCHHI. Sign-up through the Constant Contact email.

WANTED-GREEN THUMBS!

Ladies and Gents, our club walkway and entrance area need some "green thumb attention." The two planters at the entrance, the two wooden tubs along the walkway, and the greenery approaching the club front doors top the list. If you'd like to help with sprucing up these areas, work with a few fellow-motivated members, contribute to a more visually appealing club entrance, please contact Commodore Candi Hough to volunteer.





Celebration!

For the remainder of the year, The Main Sheet will have a dedicated section celebrating the 50th anniversary of the club. A multi-part history of the club as well as photos, celebration events and activities will be posted here.

50th Anniversary Committee Members include Jim Vaughn, Betty Bush, Mike Gilroy, Morris Young and Sonny Compher.

YCHHI BORN TO COMPETE 50 years of competitive sailing

Jim Vaughn

As The Yacht Club of HHI gets ready to sponsor the 50th Harbour Town Cup Regatta this October 2nd and 3rd, I thought a brief history of the club's sponsorship and participation in sailing events and regattas over its history would be appropriate.

The organization of the first Harbour Town Cup (HTC), sponsored by Sea Pines Resort, in the spring of 1970 was the genesis of The Yacht Club of HHI. After putting on the HTC organizers and competitors of that event saw the need for a sailing club on Hilton Head Island and so they established the Hilton Head Sailing Club (the predecessor of YCHHI) in 1971.

Once the Sailing Club was founded in 1971, it took over the organization of the Harbour Town Cup Regatta (HTC). That very same year the club added another fall regatta, the Calibogue Cup. Both these regattas have continued each year since (Well almost, the exceptions were for Hurricane Matthew and Covid).

Other regattas and sailing activities sponsored or co-sponsored by YCHHI include:

1970s

The fledgling HH Sailing Club had an active spring and summer racing series for big boats (PHRF) and later small boat racing and even a model boat fleet.

In 1976 the North American Quarter Ton Championships was the first national event organized by the Sailing Club and included 35 boats from all over the country and beyond. It was held in May 1976 and the first prize was an original painting by renowned artist Ray Ellis.

Other racing activity in the 1970s included the qualifier for the Admiral's Cup 1978 and the HH Offshore Invitational 1979. All this was happening before the HH Sailing Club became YCHHI and began building the clubhouse.

1980s

In addition to completion of the Clubhouse, the YCHHI saw an expansion of its sailing competitions with the addition of two new one-design fleets, J-24s and Flying Scots, both with active spring and fall series. In the 80's the Club hosted several South Atlantic Yacht Racing Assoc. (SAYRA) regional qualifiers, two J-24 state championships and one Flying Scot State Championship.

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In addition to the traditional HTC and Calibogue Cup regattas, two fun regattas were added to the schedule, the All Island Regatta in 1985 and the Springfest Regatta in 1986. These events focused on fun racing for sailors who were more cruisers than serious racers.

The initial All Island Regatta in 1985 had 35 participant boats and the following 1986 Springfest had 17. These events were held annually for several years and brought new competitors to the sport. This decade also saw the club run an active junior sailing program. One of the crews who participated in that program came in third in the USYRU (now US Sailing) national Sears Cup race in 1986.

1990s

1990 saw the addition of a new fleet of boats owned by YCHHI, the one design JY-15. This fleet was initiated by the club hosting the first JY-15 Mid-Winter Regatta and saw boats and sailors from all over the US participate. This decade was very active in sailboat racing with five regattas being hosted in 1991. Participation in PHRF racing was at its peak with up to 30 boats starting on the line at a Calibogue Cup race in 1992 and 37 for the All Island Regatta in 1993. 1990 also saw the initiation of the "Beer Can" series races off the docks on Thursday nights in the summer using our JY-15 fleet. These races were casual and the only prize was satisfaction and beer!

Through much of the 90's many YCHHI members were focused on training in race management for the Olympic sailing events which would be held in the waters off Savannah and HHI in 1996. In the spring leading up to the games, YCHHI co-sponsored the Finn Worlds and woman's Europa class Olympic qualifier. That June, just before the games, YCHHI also co-sponsored the Mumm Olympic Classes Regatta. For the 100th anniversary of the Olympic Games themselves YCHHI sent the largest set of volunteers, for its size, to assist in the Olympic Regatta.

Due to the exposure the Olympics brought to sailing in our area and the skills of our regatta management, several other notable events were held after 1996 including the Mumm 30 World championship and the Melges 24 Nationals. YCHHI was lauded for both its race management and competition all through the 1990s.

The New Century

At the dawn of the new century, sailing on HHI was going strong at YCHHI. Our two traditional regattas, as well as the All Island Regatta, our Flying Scots series and our JY15 Beer Can Series all had active participation. Though the early 2000's PHRF racing was active but the All Island Regatta was dropped in favor of increased participation in the HTC and Calibogue Cup Regattas. As the 2000's became the 2010's and 20's the sport of sailing in general and that at YCHHI has slowed down some. The Club sold off the JY-15 fleet and many of our old faithful PHRF racers are now just older and not as active. The loss of the dock at Palmetto Bay Marina due to Hurricane Matthew and the recent pandemic have taken a toll on sailing competition. One result was to combine our two traditional regattas to a single regatta weekend in the fall to try and maximize participation.

However, stay tuned and ready! The future is not bleak! In the last 5 years the Club added more Flying Scots to fleet 134, making 7 boats the largest fleet in its history. In addition, through the efforts of Jim Landis, Hap Todd, and others, a new co-sponsored PHRF race, with the Landings YC, has initiated racing from HHI to the Landings on Skidway Island. This year will be the 6th running of The Hook Regatta.

As we approach the 50th anniversary of our inaugural regatta, the Harbour Town Cup, The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island can take pride in our rich history of competition and comradery.



HILTON HEAD HEROES UPDATE

Since the last Main Sheet the Yacht Club Hero program has taken out three families on the water for their private family boat trip. The first family was visiting from Minnesota made up of Mom and Dad and three boys, ages 17, 15, and 12. The skipper for this trip was Bob Golden with me as crew. We had a beautiful day with a circumnavigation around Pinckney Island but the highlight was the dolphin display. Bob and I were surprised to learn from the family that there are no dolphins in Minnesota but the ones we spotted this day were in full Sea World mode including full leaps out of water with double twists. Unfortunately the Bulgarian judge only gave the performance a 4.2. The family wrote Bob a very nice Thank You Note with assorted pictures that Kathe has posted on the bulletin board in the hallway of the Club.



The 2nd family was from Arizona with Mom and Dad and four kids, ages 13 to 8. For this trip, Ernie and Terri Ahr were the club skippers and took the family down Broad Creek and around Buck Island, with each of the kids driving the boat and unfortunately all the dolphins must have put so much into the previous week's performance that they didn't have the energy to show up.

The third family was from Indiana, Mom and Dad and two kids 16 and 11 who went with me as the skipper. Remember all the rain we were having recently, we finally were able to get a trip in during a beautiful morning on Friday. Trip around Pinckney with kids driving a boat for the first time with Mom and Dad taking bunches of pictures and videos. Again, just a couple of dolphins spotted in the distance but the family still had great time. If any boat owning member, new or old, has an interest in being a volunteer to take a visiting Hilton Head Hero family out for a boating trip and would like to find out the details, please contact me.

~Dave Shkor