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THE MAIN SHEET



The new deck was broken in with a beautiful evening of great music, dancing, food, and good friends.



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Commodore's Comments

Dear Fellow Members,

Yesterday, the BOS and the Bridge hosted a Deck Opening Celebration. I hope you had a chance to attend. The weather was perfect for sitting outside and listening to music! The food provided by Babs Erny and her committee was delicious. I was happy to see our new furniture in use. I can't thank Babs enough for a well-planned and special day!

The club has a very busy weekend in two weeks. First, we start with the Kentucky Derby party on Saturday, May 7th. The festivities begin at 5 p.m. with the race starting at 6:30 p.m. This is a potluck affair so bring a dish to share. A Constant Contact has already gone out about this event.

The following day is Mother's Day and Chef Wendell has agreed to provide a delicious

brunch for members and guests. The brunch will start at 11 a.m. and go until 1 p.m.

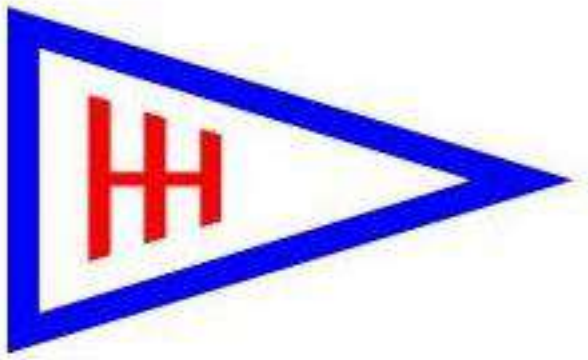
It is VERY IMPORTANT to register for all YCHHI events you will be attending. That way, the person preparing the food has enough on hand for everyone attending. If you do not register and just show up, there is a chance that there will not be enough food for all attendees. I would hate to have to start asking people who do not register to go to the end of the buffet line!

I hope to see you soon at one of our delicious Friday night dinners. (The BOS voted to require all members and guests entering the club show proof of vaccination against COVID-19).

Thanks for all you do,

Candi Hough

Deck Celebration!







Food & Beverage Committee

Leslie Gilroy
Chair
Dana Wheatley
Lynne Harlan
Cheri Sires

Reservations required for
dinners. Signups will be emailed
to members. Meals are \$24.00
unless otherwise noted.

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

BARTENDERS

5/8

Mother's Day Brunch,
Mike and Leslie Gilroy

5/13

Randi Wolfe and Candi
Hough

5/20

Linda Sheets and Steve
Strelcheck

5/27

Jim and Julie Vaughn

Friday Night Dinners

Chef, Wendell Osborne

Friday, May 6 (No dinner)

Sunday, May 9 Mothers Day Brunch \$24.00

Belgian Waffles with assorted toppings
Scrambled Eggs
Bacon and Sausage
Skillet Potatoes
Mini Quiche
Assorted Danish

Friday, May 13

Garden Salad
Lasagna
Garlic Shrimp Alfredo
Asparagus
Tiramisu

Friday, May 20 Special Dinner \$29.00

Garden Salad
Prime Rib
Herb Roasted Potatoes
Zucchini and Squash Medley
Chocolate Torte

Friday, May 27 Birthday Night

Garden Salad
Roasted Pork Loin
Herb Crusted Cod
Braised Red Cabbage
Wild Rice
Birthday Cake



Wine Tasting



Update

Nauti Ladies

Carol Lang
President

Debbie Plonski
Vice-President

Mary Ann Compher
Secretary

Julie Traylor
Treasurer

Greeters

May 6
Lynne Harlan

May 13
Mary Ann Compher

May 20
TBD

May 27
Lynne Harlan

Our April 14th meeting started with a group of members meeting for lunch at the Black Marlin. It was great getting together outside on a lovely day. Hopefully the weather will be even nicer when we have our next meeting at the Club on June 9th, so that we can dine on our new deck.

The business part of the meeting began at 1:15. Mary Ann Compher brought us up to date on the plans for the tour and lunch on May 12th at USCB which houses the Hospitality Management degree program. All YC members & guests are invited and are asked to get to the school, which is on the south end of HHI (1 Sand Shark Dr.), at 12:15. We'll have a short tour before a very tasty buffet lunch. Mary Ann needs checks by May 7th made out to "NautiLadies" for \$25 pp to hold reservations.

Julie Traylor gave the treasurer's report & requested that she receive all the dues' checks by May, so that they're not just trickling in for months.

Next we discussed the May 7th Kentucky Derby Day Party. All is coming together nicely. Decorating will be done at 10:00, and volunteers are always welcome. We hope to see as many members & guests as possible at the party, which will begin at 5:00. Remember, this is a pot luck affair. The Gilroy's will bartend, & Babs will make mint juleps. Cheri will be in charge of the betting. Hopefully, we'll see a fun array of festive hats.

We also spoke about a speaker series starting in the fall. Most would be open to all club members & guests.

Greeters are:

April 29--Carol Lang

May 6--Lynne Harlan

May 13--Mary Ann Compher

May 20--TBD

May 27--Lynne Harlan

April & May Birthdays: Jean Hillenbrand, Diane Stortz, Deb Pepe, & Kathe Golden

Anniversaries: Mary Ann & Sonny, Kathe & Bobby

The Fun[d] Committee

Cheri Sires

Mary Ryan

Babs Erny

Jean Hillenbrand

Candi Hough

Linda Bange

Trish Bouley

Linda Sheets

Jennifer Thompson

Debbie Plonski

Bobbi Leavitt

Update

The FUNd group is dedicated to fulfilling our purpose of raising funds while sponsoring fun events. The committee has May and June plans for your social enjoyment that also raise \$\$\$ for our club. Thanks to our members who provide help and support!

KY Derby Party Saturday, May 7 FUN(d) will sell the Derby Specialty Drink-MINT JULEPS.

Mother's Day Brunch, Sunday, May 8 11:00-1:00 FUN(d) is planning a Mother's Day celebration at the club this year. The upscale, unique menu will be catered by Anuska's Kitchen. We will also be selling Specialty Drinks-Bloody Mary's, Mimosas.

Gilroy's Host & Toast, Tuesday, May 24, 5:00 Hosting at their new home in Hilton Head Plantation with both marsh and Intracoastal Waterway views. They have generously offered to accommodate up to 50 members/guests who will BYOB while Mike & Leslie will provide heavy hors d'oeuvres. Event charge \$10.

Old-fashioned Memorial Day Picnic Monday, May 30 3:00-6:00 Wear your red, white & blue. Eat hot dogs & hamburgers, deviled eggs, salads, baked beans, chips & dip, desserts plus a specialty drink. Some age appropriate outside "extreme games" will be held and prizes awarded. Good food and good laughs! Event charge \$15.

FUNd gourmet robust dinners on Tuesday, June 14 from 5:00-8:00 The menu will be determined at a later date along with a specialty drink. Event cost \$20.

Member Discovery Happy Hour, Wednesday, June 29 5:00-7:00 Participants will play a game trying to learn more about certain members without being allowed to actually ask the specific questions. Heavy snacks and a specialty drink will round out the menu and prizes awarded to the game winners. Event cost \$10!

More details will follow via the event registrations, so fasten your seat belts these next two months for lots of FUNd fun!

Club Sailing

A Flying Scot Adventure

I had my boat docked at the Palmetto Bay Marina for a few days, and this past Monday Jim and I took it out for sail with a stiff wind. We motored out of the marina and set the main. I had the centerboard only halfway down because I remember having capsized another boat on a dead downwind course with the board all the way down. I have also seen photographs of a J 22, a keelboat capsizing downwind. The main sail was loose, and we were on a windward course, about to hoist the jib, and what happened next I don't know, and still cannot explain. In a slow motion, the boat kept healing, and soon the mast and the sail were in the water, and Jim was up on the windward gunwhale. He should have gone overboard to step on the centerboard. I have capsized my jolly boat many times and managed to right her up and never even got wet.

Slowly the boat kept turning until it went turtle and we were hanging on the sides. The mast and the sail were detached and floating next to us and the mast was broken in half. It must have hit bottom and with the tide pushing hard on the hull, it must've broken at the point where the shrouds attach. With a strong tidal stream, we were drifting until we got caught on the mooring of a large catamaran. We were almost between the two pontoons. We managed to give a line attached to the bow to a kind fellow with a small motorboat, and we disentangled from the catamaran. Miraculously, I don't know how, perhaps because the towing at first was almost normal to the boat center line, she righted up. And we managed to get in. But of course, the cockpit was full of water, the stern deck was a few inches under water. Obviously without the flotation foam, she would have sunk.

The Honda outboard motor kept hanging, but brought back to my garage later, it wouldn't start again. I hope this is not another loss. I would take it to the workshop. We were towed back to a marina dock, and started bailing which I soon realized was not making any progress. A fellow brought an electric pump and that too was not doing much at all. With the top of the centerboard well 3 inches under the water surface, water was coming in faster than the pump would pull out. Patrick the marina manager had the idea of pulling the boat up on a floating dock next to a few jet skis already there. With the help of more volunteers, we were able to pull the boat halfway up on this floating dock but enough for most of the water to drain. It was very windy and cold and by then with wet clothes on we were freezing. The stern was still almost submerged and those two 4 inch diameter transom ports have no watertight covers. We bailed the boat quite well but the next day when we went to take her to the launch the stern part was again full of water. While bailing, I noticed a hose that was pouring more water in the boat. This is the hose that connects the seat of the boat to drain it, and it was disconnected allowing the water to pour in again.

To make the story short, we were towed to the launch, we brought the boat back to the Club yard and packed her until June when I come back. But we will need a new mast. A used one would be just as good. Any suggestions?

Demetri Telionis

Power Boats

Mike Gilroy

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DATE	RAIN DATE	DESTINATION	LOCATION
Mon Apr 4	Wed Apr 6	Old Town Dispensary	BLUFFTON
Tue Apr 19	Thu Apr 21	Flying Fish	SAVANNAH
Wed May 4	Fri May 6	Fish Camp on 11th Street	PORT ROYAL
Wed May 18	Fri May 20	The Crab Shack	TYBEE
Fri Jun 3	Sun June 5	Daufuskie Crab Company	DAUFUSKIE ISLAND
Thu Jun 16	Sat June 18	Plums	BEAUFORT
Fri July 1	Mon July 4	Tubby's Tankhouse	THUNDERBOLT
Sat July 16	Mon July 18	Lucy Bell's Cafe	DAUFUSKIE ISLAND
Tue Aug 2	Thu Aug 4	Q on Bay	BEAUFORT
Mon Aug15	Wed Aug 17	AJ's Dockside	TYBEE ISLAND
Tue Sep 13	Thu Sep 15	Huey's	SAVANNAH
Wed Sep 28	Fri Sep 30	Hearth	BEAUFORT
Fri Oct 14	Mon Oct 17	Marker 244	PORT ROYAL
Fri Oct 28	Mon Oct 31	Tortuga's Island Grille	THUNDERBOLT
Mon Nov 14	Wed Nov 16	Buffalo's	PALMETTO BLUFF
Mon Nov 28	Wed Nov 30	Salty Dog Pigout	HILTON HEAD

Cruise to Flying Fish, Wilmington Island



HILTON HEAD HEROES UPDATE

An end of an era

It is with sadness that I have to report that the relationship of the Yacht Club of Hilton Head Isl. and the Hilton Head Heroes charitable program will be coming to an end. Hilton Head Heroes, formed in 1998 by Greg and Lindy Russel around the concept of bringing families who had a child with a terminal or life-threatening illness to Hilton Head for a no-cost, all-inclusive vacation giving the family, the siblings, and the child a chance to bond in a joyful place away from the hospital stays, endless treatments and the daily battles. Greg and Lindy have worked tirelessly to grow the Heroes program from an idea to the huge success that it has become, but they have decided that it's time for them to retire and take the Hero program into new directions supporting various children's charities. The Hero Board has voted to keep the Hero House open this June, July, and August, then it will be officially closed.



To give a little Hero and Yacht Club history, thirteen years ago, some of the boat owning skippers from the YC were talking about how we might be able to share the bounty that we enjoyed with others who were less fortunate. I knew of Greg and Lindy's Hero program and suggested it might be a good fit. We presented to Lindy the idea of our boat owning skippers taking the Hero family out for a private cruise away from tourist crowds to see the beauty of the HHI waters. On May 12th, 2010, I took our first Hero family around Pinckney Island, letting the young boy drive the boat, seeing Flipper, pelicans, osprey that he never experienced before. As they say, the rest is history.

Skippers who have taken Hero families thru the years are Cecil and Frances Viverette, Ernie and Terri Ahr, Mike and Leslie Gilroy, John and Julie Traylor, Tom Caldwell, Sonny and Maryann Compher, Ted Compher, Bob and Kathy Golden, Aubrey and Jan Vaughan, Dave Shkor. Each skipper has told heartwarming stories about their connection with the hero family during these trips and the multitude of Thank You cards we've received tell the tale of how impactful our trips have been. Over the years, we have taken hundreds of families and well over five hundred children out on Hilton Head waters. The Yacht Club trips were always mentioned as the highlight of the family's vacation. I'd just like to say THANKS to all the skippers who used their boats and gave of their time for this cause. Also, a big THANKS to the Nauti Ladies and the Board of Stewards for their contributions of gas money to help with skipper expenses. Without the club's support we would not have been able to help these families during their darkest hours of need. I can only say "WE ALL DONE GOOD."

Dave Shkor

POWERBOATERS BEWARE - NEW REGULATIONS - BIG FINES

Hello YC powerboaters, just had my boat inspected by the Power Squadron to have it checked but more importantly get the 2022 Coast Guard safety inspection sticker for my boat's side windshield. I've been boarded at least 5 times over the years for random safety equipment inspection which can be quite thorough if the inspector wants to see everything required from soup to nuts. Each time I was boarded I politely asked if they had seen my current year inspection sticker and each time they said yes, they had seen it and all they then asked was to see a fire extinguisher and a life jacket and they departed. There is a information sheet on the hallway bulletin board headlined AMERICAN BOATERS CLUB which is the Power Squadron and the contacts for someone to come and inspect your boat. I think it's worthy.

However, the reason for this write-up is we've all probably been operating our boats illegally for the last year. Last year a Coast Guard regulation became Federal Law as of April 1, 2021 which required those piloting boats less than 26 ft. and more than 3HP MUST use the boat's cut off switch (kill switch) much of the time. The driver must have the kill switch lanyard clipped onto their person any time they are above displacement speed or on plane. Fines are \$100 first offense, \$250 for second, \$500 third. There have been several deaths and injuries from skippers being thrown out of their boat during rough weather, large wakes etc. only to have the still running boat start to circle the person now in the water till bad things happen, thus the law. Exceptions to not having to wear the switch is docking, launching and loading a trailer, trolling, and at idle speed or if the helm is in an enclosed cabin. Boats built after 2020 are required to put in the switch, boats built earlier usually have the switch because most manufactures put them in. If there is no switch then it's not required, but if one is there the law applies. Like I said, never knew of this and ran all last year and never hooked up but was told about during my inspection. I googled it, all you have to do is coast guard kill switch rule and you'll find many links to the law. There is one other regulation new this year about fire extinguisher changes that I found out about from this month's Boat U.S. magazine outlining new requirements this year. You might google that for what you need to be legal if you don't have the magazine article.

Dave Shkor

More information:

<https://www.boatingmag.com/story/how-to/new-boating-law-requires-use-of-engine-cut-off-switches/>

<https://uscgboating.org/recreational-boaters/fire-extinguisher-faq.php>

Welcome to all our new 2022 members!

**Mark & Ann Baker
John & Vicki Westerveldt
Steve Pittelli
Errol & Holly Hammet
Trent & Heidi Witthoef
Ken Loskamp & Maria Morrell
Gina Patrick & Bill Mitchell**

Marketing Committee work is on hold pending more information regarding P.B.M.'s actions toward the YCHHI along with other changes within the club. In the meantime, the committee is seeking a new Chair. There is a developed marketing plan in place, and its implementation has been the current focus along with several completed projects waiting to move forward. If you have marketing experience or simply an interest in that direction and would be willing to Chair, please contact Commodore Hough, Vice Commodore Kathe Golden, or Jean Hillenbrand; their contact info is included below. The committee will reactivate when appropriate under its new leadership and are also recruiting additional members.

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cjhillen46@gmail.com

**Bought a head of
lettuce from a small
grocery store called
Mommas and
Papas.
Can't eat it because
all the leaves are
brown.**

**I just fired myself from
cleaning my house.
I didn't like my attitude
and got caught drinking
on the job.**



UPCOMING EVENTS

May

7 Kentucky Derby	5 PM
8 Mother's Day Brunch	11 AM
12 Nauti Ladies USCB Tour & Lunch	12:15
13 Friday Night Dinner	6 PM
20 Friday Night Dinner - Special	6 PM
24 Gilroy's Host & Toast	5 PM
27 Friday Night Dinner - Birthday Night	6 PM
30 Memorial Weekend Cookout	3 PM

June

14 FunD Gourmet Dinner	5 PM
29 Member Discovery Happy Hour	5 PM



Celebrating April birthdays



Winners of trivia night, John and Julie Traylor, Dave Shkor, and Babs Erny with MC Mike Gilroy