

February 2024

THE MAIN SHEET



Not only do we live in a breathtakingly beautiful area, there are also a great many opportunities for interesting and fun events. To help take advantage of these, the Social Committee has started a new column both in *The Main Sheet* and on the YCHHI website (<https://yachtclubhh.org>) to keep us informed of area happenings.



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Commodore's Comments



IT'S ALL (MOSTLY) GOOD

As we approach the second month of the new year, we have lots of things to be thankful for.

- Our membership has grown over the past year and is solid.
- Our new Treasurer, Janet Fontano, is in place and up to speed.
- We are blessed with a solid Bridge and Board of Stewards.
- Our building, while needing constant TLC for little things, is in good overall shape.
- We have in place an energetic and dedicated Social Committee.
- We have a great Caterer serving up excellent meals for us on Fridays and Special Occasions.

Of course, we are not without our challenges.

- Our building and grounds could use a little sprucing up, which we will schedule for March and April.
- Our disagreement with Palmetto Bay Marina is still pending, but hopefully to be resolved before summer.

In short, our ship is moving in the right direction; and, with the high spirits of volunteerism that are the hallmark of our club, we will continue to move forward.

Mike

Food & Beverage Committee

Leslie Gilroy, Chair
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Reservations required for
dinners. Signups will be emailed
to members. Meals are \$25.00.
Special dinners are as noted.
Take-out is an option. You will
have your dinner served to you
in takeout containers. Takeout
dinners will be served first.

BARTENDERS

Feb 2

Beth Ann & James
Dickie

Feb 9

Julie & John Hamilton

Feb 16

Mike & Lesley Gilroy

Feb 23

Shawn & Pat Muma

Contact Mike or Leslie if
you would like to
bartend.

Friday Night Dinners with Chef Wendell Osborne **6:00PM Cocktails** **7:00PM Dinner**

Feb 2

Greek Salad
Mediterranean Meat Balls
Lemon Pepper Baked Haddock
Roasted Root Vegetables
Sundried Tomato and Spinach Rice
Chocolate Cake

Feb 9

Antipasto Salad
Lasagna
Creamy Italian Sausage & Tortellini Ragu
Garlic Butter Asparagus
Tiramisu

Feb 16

Louisiana Sunburst Salad
Shrimp Creole
Chicken & Andouille Kebabs
Red Beans & Rice
King Cake

Feb 23

Spinach Almond Cranberry Salad
Garlic Herb Grouper
Roasted Pork Loin with Apple Chutney
Sweet Potato Hash
Bacon & Caramelized Onion Brussel Sprouts
B-day Cake

SAILING NEWS

Sailing meeting

Our annual first meeting on sailing activates was held on January 20th.

Twelve members attended,

Jim Vaughn started the meeting with brief general history of sailing activities at YCHHI over the fifty plus years of our history.

We then went over the agenda as follows:

Fleet status

- It was reported that Flying Scot fleet 134 includes eight boats. Three are owned by YCHHI, three additional Scots are owned by club members and two are owned by nonmembers. Sadly, none have been active in the last year.
- There are three operational cruising boats owned by individuals of which only one is active.
- There are no known PHRF race boats.

YCHHI owned sail boats

- YCHHI owns three Flying Scots. All need evaluation but it is believed that two are in decent condition but the other needs a lot of work and parts.
- There are two older Sunfish under the club. At least one should be in sailing condition.
- The club was donated a Catalina 22 that is up for sale.

Cruising

- James Dickie gave rides in his boat to members last year. He plans to offer the same to members in 2024 starting in April. Details to come when known. THANK JAMES!
- There was a lot of discussion about trying to do a member sailing charter as was organized by former Commodore Mike Roe for several years. The BYIs were discussed and the attendees of the meeting are going to meet again to discuss.

Other

- There was interest expressed in bringing back one or both of our traditional regattas in fall, The HarborTown Cup and Calibogue Cup both of which have 50+ year histories. Jim Vaughn and Ed Schottland plan to get something to the Board of Steward for discussion on this. Also discussed was YCHHI's participation in the Hook race as in the past.
- Other items discussed were the status of the public ramp nearest the club, inventorying the sailing locker and identifying unneeded gear for sale possibly at the trunk sale being planned by the NautiLadies.

The meeting adjourned when the pizza arrived! This column will provide the status of all the items discussed as they become known.

Other Sailing events of interest

- SAYRA (South Atlantic Yacht Racing Association) held its annual meeting here on HHI 1/26-28
- Olympic sailing is happening this year in Marseille July 28-Aug 8



Fair Winds and Calm Seas Jim Vaughn FS 3428

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From the Helm



Are you required to have a VHF radio on your boat?

You are required to if your vessel is 65' (20 meters) or longer. (source: 33 CFR 26)

Is it a good idea to have a VHF radio on your boat if it's not required?

Absolutely. Whether it's a mounted or handheld VHF radio, the U. S. Coast Guard (USCG), BoatUS, West Marine, etc., all recommend having a VHF radio. It is an effective and reliable way to communicate when on the water. It allows instant communication between your boat and other boats, marinas, bridges, and USCG. This is especially important during an emergency. Using a cell phone to call for assistance is point-to-point, while using the VHF is an open broadcast to everyone within range.

Are there any requirements if I voluntarily have a VHF radio on my boat?

Any vessel with a VHF radio must maintain a watch on channel 16 whenever the radio is not actively being used to communicate. (source: FCC 47 CFR §§ 80.148, 80.310, NTIA Manual 8.2.29.6.c(2)(e))

James Dickie

NautiLadies

To all NautiLadies members and YCHHI ladies interested in joining, please mark calendars and plan to attend our monthly meeting on Thursday, February 8, 1:00 at the club. We'll share viewpoints, ideas, and plans for the NautiLadies in 2024.

Some enjoy dining at Palmetto Bay Marina restaurants before the meetings. For February it's the Black Marlin at 11:30. If going please contact Jean by Tuesday, 2/7, to finalize our reservation.

We have a few exciting events in the works from our January 11th meeting. Visiting one of the many museums or a port tour in Savannah was discussed for a summer excursion.

An idea that was very popular is a class on wreath making at Branches on Arrow Rd. We are looking at a February or March date and will have more information soon.

We are planning a Trunk & Table Sale for Saturday, April 27. As you do your spring cleaning, please save your used items to donate to this event. No clothes other than very good condition logo items, especially YCHHI items.

Reminder dues are \$15 for 2024, cash or check to Julie Traylor.

We need Greeters for Friday, February 16 & 23, contact Jean. Thanks!



Officers were installed for 2024

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Any questions, concerns, input contact one of the NL officers.

Around the Club



Daryl, Vicki, Carl & Ron



Members enjoyed a wine tasting at Carolina Tasting Room in Coligny Plaza followed by dinner at Forest Fire.



Celebrating January birthdays



NautiLadies Meeting

Welcome to our new 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!

**Nick & Janet Fontana
Robert & Jan Ross
Tracey Hoffman
Lane & Suzanne Phillips**



Hilton Head Happenings is a new addition compiled by members of the Social Committee. It includes events of interest from around the area. These events are not club sponsored or coordinated events and provided for information only. If you would like to suggest an event, please email Ingrid Peterson (petersoningrid@yahoo.com).

The 16th annual Chamber Restaurant Week is back **January 27-February 3**, and it's the best way to try the area's newest and hottest spots. With over 50 Bluffton and Hilton Head Island restaurants participating, there will be something for everyone. Restaurants will offer prix-fixe menus starring new entrees, signature dishes, and fan favorites. <https://www.hiltonheadisland.org/chamber-restaurant-week>

Saturday, February 10th - 1-4 pm, Coligny will host a SouperBowl of Caring fundraiser to benefit Second Helpings. Restaurants serve their favorite soups for participants to taste and enjoy!
<https://colignyplaza.com/souperbowl2024-2/>



The 2024 Savannah Book Festival is scheduled over Presidents' Day weekend, **February 15 – 18, 2024**. On Saturday, February 17, 2024, 30+ authors will give free 30-minute presentations in multiple unique venues in historic Downtown Savannah. Authors will discuss their creative processes and their life as a writer, followed by a Q&A and book signing. Food trucks will provide delicious refreshments between presentations.
<https://www.savannahbookfestival.org>



The Hilton Head Island Seafood Festival is committed to providing an exciting and luxurious culinary adventure that honors the South's rich heritage. We are proud to showcase renowned chefs, rustic barbecue, bonfires, wine tastings, mixologists and more – all within a spectacular island setting.
February 19-25
<https://www.hiltonheadseafoodfestival.com>

The Ship's Store

Now Open During Happy Hour on Fridays



Hooded Sweatshirts still available in blue, gray and red!

Check out the Yacht Club logo apparel in the Ship's Store. Ask Mary Ann Compher, Jean Hillenbrand or Julie Traylor for assistance.

Netflix needs to stop asking if
I'm still watching and start
asking if I moved the laundry to
the dryer yet.

The older I get,
the more I regret
all the people I've lost
over the years.

Maybe being
a trail guide
wasn't such a
great idea after all.

There is no 'we'
in chocolate.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb

2	Friday Night Dinner	6PM
6	Bunco	6PM
8	NautiLadies Lunch @ Black Marlin	11:30AM
8	NautiLadies Meeting	1PM
9	Friday Night Dinner	6PM
11	Super Bowl Watch Party & Potluck	5:30PM
21	Sunset on the Deck	6PM
23	Friday Night Dinner	6PM

Mar

13	Sunset on the Deck	6PM
14	NautiLadies	1PM
17	St. Patrick's Day Parade & Dinner	3PM
19	Sock Burning 1st Anniversary	6PM
27	Sunset on the Deck	6PM

April

10	Sunset on the Deck	6PM
24	Sunset on the Deck	6PM
27	NautiLadies Trunk & Table Sale	TBD

H A P P Y
Valentine's Day