



The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island

## The Main Sheet

February, 2012



### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

We had a very successful Tailgate Party on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of January. There was plenty of good food shared by all. Twenty-four members and guests enjoyed the bratwurst and hot dogs on the grill. After savoring the treats, we went inside the clubhouse to enjoy the desserts and watch the New England Patriots beat the Baltimore Ravens. Most left after the first game to go home and watch the New York Giants beat the San Francisco 49ers. If you weren't able to attend, put it on your to-do list for next year!

There were twelve (12) new members that attended the New Member Recognition night on January 20<sup>th</sup>. Many thanks to Pat Foley for sharing her Portuguese food and recipes. For the next several months we plan to have a theme night once a month for our Friday dinners. This month on the 17<sup>th</sup> Mary Ann and I will feature German night.

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of February, we will have a Wine Tasting night. There will be a representative from the new wine vendor featuring their different wines. You will not want to miss this! You have been asking to bring back our wine tasting venue, so make reservations, come and enjoy.

Remember that we are promoting the membership through invitation to the club. Bring your golfing friends, neighbors, and relatives to the club. If the new member stays at the club for one quarter, you will receive a credit for one month of membership dues. The Sunset Rotary Club continues to meet at the club. This past Monday there were 40 members and guests in attendance. The 20 regular members each brought a guest and heard a good pep talk to attract new members to their organization. This is a great way to attract new members to our club. Our membership is the lifeline of the club. I am promoting the club at every opportunity and I need some help.

Small Boat Saturday will start on Saturday, February 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. Bring a guest and introduce them to sailing. Jim Vaughn is heading this program with help from Norm Shotz and Philippe DeLangre. Check out Jim's message in this Main Sheet for further details. Lunch will be provided. We intend to enhance the sailing program this year. Many of our new members have expressed an interest in learning how to sail.

Last Sunday's brunch was a success. There were about 30 members and guests to enjoy Marti's fabulous "Crab Omelet's". We all enjoyed the shrimp and grits and Betty Y's "Southern Grits" plus the other array of great food. The club is moving forward in a positive way. I hope you continue to come and enjoy the events and dinners. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail me.

Sonny Compher  
Commodore



## BOATERS REPORT ...

Watch out! There are only 2 more months of the winter left before the boating season is upon us. Don't get caught with your boat still winterized and under cover needing all the required tune ups and paint while all the other procrastinators get ahead of you in the que at the yard.

April is the 1st month of the YC's boating activity season. As I mentioned in the last Main Sheet, our on the water activities will depend on a skipper volunteering to "adopt" a month to plan one or two events for that month. I've already taken October and will plan 2 events. I am pleased to report that Tom Caldwell let me know immediately that he would take a month. Jim Landis has stepped up for a month even though his boat has been out of the area for the last couple of years. I look forward to Jim and Ann tied up to our rafts. Mike Gilroy has volunteered to take a month. Mike has been the event organizer for the Power Squadron and has led many highly successful boating trips for them. Skippers should look forward to participating in his events. At the tailgate party, I was talking with Francis Viverette and she described a boat trip that Cecil and she had planned for visiting friends. A run to Daufuskie, rent a golf cart for a little land cruise of the island, then lunch at Bloody Point. They couldn't go due to weather, but as we both commended on the "fun" factor she immediately volunteered Cecil to take a month and make the plan for all our skippers. The Viverette's will take the month of June with at least one great plan already in place.

The YC's boating season takes place over 6 months, April, May June, Sept., Oct., Nov. Five of the months are covered, so we only need 1 more active skipper to step up. Let me know.

By rough count, the YC has 21 members who own boats capable of operating on local waters. We have everything from a 16' center console to a 52' ocean going sailboat. Of the 21 skippers, I count only 10 that are active, being defined as having participated in a YC event at least once over the last 2 years. I hope that for 2012 we can see more owners yacht with the Yacht Club.

Dave Shkor - the October powerboat guy



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# NAUTILADIES

The Nautiladies had nineteen members at their first meeting of the new year on January 13<sup>th</sup>. We have several fun activities already planned for this winter. Yes, it is still winter despite the weather. We are continuing the Game Nights. On January 26<sup>th</sup> many people showed up to play Tripoli, and we had a rousing, fun filled evening. Next Game Night will be Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> Stay posted as this may be subject to change. The game could be Mexican Train. This will all be decided at the next Nautiladies meeting.

Marilyn Owen has come up with two activities. The first will be in February at our regularly scheduled meeting. We will celebrate St. Valentine's Day by having a luncheon at the Club. Chicken salad will be served with a chocolate dessert. To make it more fun, we are to each wear a corsage designed and created by ourselves. The one rule is... there are to be no real flowers in it! Marilyn has promised a prize, not sure what the prize is for, but there will be a prize! We know how wonderful Marilyn's prizes can be.

The Savannah Music Festival is the focus of our next outing in March. The majority of members decided they would like to attend the Cole Porter – Nat King Cole concert being held on Saturday March 31, 2012, at 3:00 at the Lucas Theater of The Arts in Savannah. The cost is \$40.00 and this activity is open to **all** Club Members, including the men. Marilyn has put 20 tickets on hold, and needs to know soon who plans to attend. If you have questions or want to reserve your place please e-mail Marilyn at; MJOWEN@Hargray.com.

Thank you Marilyn for doing all the leg work on this event for the Club.

Pat Foley..... your Portuguese dinner was fabulous! Suzy Priegel brought us up to date on future Friday night dinners with an international theme. You can look forward to dining in Paris, Berlin, Progradetz, a little town in Albania, and Rio, over the next several months. Do you have a favorite meal from abroad? If so let Suzy know. Suzy also asked any members who dine at the Club to design a favorite meal to be served on a Friday night. Of course, Marti will prepare the dinner, with a consult from the member-sponsor of the dinner.

Happy Birthday to Jeanne Christenson, Pat Foley and Suzy Priegel.  
Happy Anniversary to Grace and Dick Lewis and Sally and Ben Kingree.

Our next meeting is February, 10<sup>th</sup>. See you at the Club.  
Helen Kola

## **FROM THE SHIPS STORE...**

**Why not surprise your 'sweetie' with a nice warm hoodie, or a lovely red sweater or vest from the Ships Store for Valentine's Day?**

**Stop by any Friday evening and see what we have in stock or what we can order for you.**

**Betty Y Bush/Jeanne Christenson**

February 4<sup>th</sup> will be the YCHHI's initial **Small Boat Saturday** for 2012.



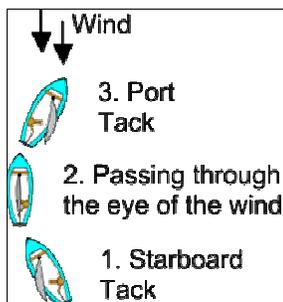
Our agenda will be:

- Getting ideas from the boating community of what they would like to have presented on Small Boat Saturday's in 2012
- An introduction/reintroduction to the Flying Scot
- The YCHHI 2012 small boat racing schedule for 2012

The fun starts at 10:00 at The Yacht Club of HHI

This is NOT reserved for YCHHI members. Anyone interested in small boat boating is invited to attend. Please forward this on to anyone who might be interested. Lunch will be provided

See you there      Contact Jim Vaughn with questions 384-7322



## YCHHI February, 2012 Events and Activities

			<b>1</b> <b>Hackers</b> <b>Golf</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3 Lunch</b> <b>Dinner-</b> <b>Chicken Special</b>  <b>Compher</b>	<b>4</b> <b>Small</b> <b>Boat</b> <b>Meeting</b> <b>10:00am</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Hackers</b> <b>Golf</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b> <b>Nautiladies</b> <b>Lunch</b> <b>Dinner-Wine</b> <b>Tasting</b> <b>Valentine Beef</b> <b>Tenderloin</b>  <b>Hughes</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b> <b>Hackers</b> <b>Golf</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17 Lunch-</b> <b>Dinner-</b> <b>Sauerbraten by</b> <b>the Comphers</b>  <b>O'Conner</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Board of</b> <b>Stewards</b> <b>4:00pm</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Hackers</b> <b>Golf</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24 Lunch</b> <b>Dinner- Soup</b> <b>and Sandwich</b>  <b>Ahr</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> <b>Firemen</b> <b>Brunch</b> <b>\$11.</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Hackers</b> <b>Golf</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2 Lunch</b> <b>Dinner-</b> <b>Fish Special</b>  <b>Foley</b>	<b>3</b>

Brunch is 11:00 am –1 pm.

Bartenders in Red.

Wine Tasting is February 10th

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