



The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island

The Main Sheet

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MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

We have two new members, Fred and Pat Hubbard, friends of the Viverettes. Please welcome them to the club. They are nonresidents and live in Denton, Md. They are also members of the Cambridge Yacht Club and have a 40 ft cruiser.

Our **open house** is on Saturday, June 9th at the club. Please come and help to welcome any new prospective members. The club will be open from 2 till 5 that day. There will be several tables set up with different activities the club offers. The backbone of the club is new members. Food and drinks will be included. Leslie Gilroy is heading up the committee and will have several ads in the local paper that week. I am still in the process of finding some kayaks for this event. Hopefully we will have them that day. As part of the open house project, I would like to thank Jim, Helen Kola, and Doris Broere for cleaning and painting the deck. It looks beautiful.

Marti Etter, our steward, is taking a 3-week vacation in June so we will be without her efforts in the kitchen. The food and beverage committee has this under control with a caterer lined up. Please watch your e-mails for Suzy's informative satire each week for the Friday night specials.

The Callawassie luncheon on May 20th was a success even though we all motored over. There were almost 50 who attended. Thanks to Dave Shkor, for his great planning. Everyone had a good time.

The Flying Scot racing series has started. If you want to sail or help, please contact Jim Vaughn for the upcoming schedules. We have several boats available and Jim is always looking for new and interested sailors.

We have a committee working on a proposed dock for the club. We will meet this week and draw up a business plan. We will take this to the board and notify the membership as soon as possible. It is my hope this will be done. As I stated earlier, the club is not moving forward. Most importantly, a dock can provide the positive cash flow needed to move the club from a slow decline to a more vibrant future. I think the "green" idea of kayaks, canoes, rowing, small sail type vessels, if available for quick and easy storage with launch capability would attractive younger people who want to be on the water, but can't afford the time and cost of boating today.. **A club dock could be that focal point.** I have been trying very hard the last year and a half to keep the club in the black, which we have done. It seems every month we keep losing a member or two. The membership is about what it was when I became Commodore. It been a struggle and I would hate to the see the club go by the wayside as some other clubs have recently. We need to make it a boaters Yacht Club club again.

Last Friday night we had 32 reservations and 47 showed up. Marti cannot prepare enough food if you don't make a reservation. We ran out of food before everyone ate. Food costs are going up each week and we need to plan accordingly. Please make reservations for the events.

Sonny Compher
Commodore

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The Club is having an Open House on June 9th from 2 to 5:00. The goal is to attract new members by showcasing the many activities and fun we have at the Yacht Club. Leslie Gilroy is in charge as the Membership Chairman for the Club. She would like to have as many members as possible attend so that our enthusiasm is very visible to the visitors. **The NL's can be a huge help by volunteering to serve the food and be there to greet and visit with our guests.** Leslie will be putting ads in the Island Packet the weekend before and the day before. A glass of wine or a beer will be offered in the ad to entice people to come. Our Commodore is also in hot pursuit of some kayaks for the Club to purchase. So there is the possibility of offering kayak rides. Hopefully this will entice younger families to join. The Club is in the process of being spruced up. The fixit list the NL's came up with has been taken care of. With the team effort of Jim Kola, Dennis Foley, Doris Broere and myself the upper deck has been painted. The flowers look lovely. If you see something that needs quick and easy attention let Sonny or Phillippe know.

There is an active effort to create or buy new center pieces to add to what we already have. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that what we have is getting tired and overused. Everyone is invited to contribute ideas to this project.

Our next meeting is June 8th. I hope to see you then. This is the day before the Open House so maybe there will be some things we can do at that time to help Leslie.

Helen Kola



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FOOD & BEVERAGE REPORT



One of the most overlooked benefits of your membership is the use of the Club for private functions. Let me take a moment and explain the fee structure and sundry charges that are applicable.

For members, the club rental for your function is \$150.00. There is no deposit to reserve the club. If you choose to bring in your own caterer, there is only a cleaning fee of \$50.00 and if you bring in your own refreshments, a corkage fee of \$1.50 per person for ice, paper products, glasses and soda will apply. If you choose to purchase liquor and wine from the club, our normal and very inexpensive prices will prevail.

If you choose to have our Steward prepare the meal, the menu will be priced out in advance and will include all labor. Non member fees are higher, but remember, if a member sponsors an event, the member fees apply. Our club is a wonderful venue for a private function, with a good facility and a million dollar view. Let's not forget, that the additional revenues are a needed benefit to the Club. Please spread the word.

As an update on the overall food & beverage operation of the club, your Committee is striving to deliver different entree selections, attractively presented, while keeping our prices consistent over the past three years.

With food costs constantly increasing, our challenges have been to minimize costs, while delivering a quality product to our Members. The weekly meeting of the Rotary Club has been a tremendous help to our revenues this year, allowing us to break even year to date.

We are planning some special dinners in the coming months, such as the ever popular lobster dinner and a special oyster roast in the fall. The member sponsored dinners this year have also been a huge success, so if you have a special menu, please forward it to the committee members. Just know that we are constantly striving to deliver a quality product and welcome your comments and suggestions.

Clyde Harris

YCHHI June, 2012 Events and Activities

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Lunch Dinner- Slow smoked Pork Ribs A.Vaughns	2 Small Boat Meeting
3	4	5 Mah Jongg 1pm	6 Hackers Golf	7	8 Nautiladies Lunch Dinner- Filet Mignon J. Vaughn	9 OPEN HOUSE 3-5pm
10	11	12 Mah Jongg 1pm	13 Hackers Golf	14	15 Lunch Dinner- Pizza Night Hildenbrandts	16
17	18 Board of Stewards 4:00pm	19 Mah Jongg 1pm	20 Hackers Golf	21	22 Lunch Dinner- Pulled Pork Foleys	23
24	25	26 Mah Jongg 1pm	27 Hackers Golf	28	29 Lunch Dinner- Skinless Baked Salmon Logan& Macalarney	30

Bartenders in Red

Marti on vacation 6/15 and 6/22

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