



The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island

## The Main Sheet

March, 2014



### MESSAGE FROM THE COMMODORE

Our membership continues to expand, with a good number of prospective members joining us for dinner over the past month, and each walking away with an application form. The warm and friendly atmosphere of our club is hard to resist.

Our Clubhouse flagpole is now proudly sporting all three New Flags – the SC, the U.S., and our YCHHI Burgee. R.I.P. to their predecessors, which served us well 7/24/52 over the past ten or so years.

In satisfaction of a DNR requirement to replace the trees that were removed to improve our boat storage area, we have decided to plant two Magnolias along the commercial parking lot frontage, spaced either side of the existing Magnolia tree

The Blue Flying Scot has now been fully rejuvenated with fresh urethane paint, and remaining to complete the refurb is installation of the spinnaker aft deck hardware. fresh bottom paint. We are also looking into upgrading several of their sails with preowned. We are planning to launch both Scots in time for the March 22/23 racing. Anyone interested in crewing for one or more of the races should sign on to the list posted near the bar in the club.

Also – helping out on the committee boat is fun and exciting. No experience is necessary – we teach you everything and instruct step by step. It's great for photo ops, being right there at the Starting Line and the Finish. Contact Tom Caldwell to sign on.

The Club's Member Handbooks were updated in November by Dick Lewis, and a few further update pages have just been printed. The complete package is now ready for you to pick up at the club. For those of you who already picked up the November update, separate packets of the new update pages will also be available.

Dick Lewis has served the club admirably over the past 8 years, maintaining both the Club website and the handbook. Now he and Grace have pulled up stakes from HHI and have moved back to their home in Mason, Ohio. *The Commodore's Lady*, Andrea Shotz, has courageously stepped up to take on the responsibility of maintaining the Handbook, and Carol Lang has done likewise to take on the website! KUDOS to Dick for his dedicated service, and to Andrea and Carol for their rising to fill the breach.

Our good friend Philippe Delangre has also pulled the pin and has moved back to Swannanoa, NC. His mother recently passed away and he and his lady have settled into the family home. Also, he has decided to part with his beloved yacht – the 37' custom built ketch *Passages*. Philippe can be reached at 828-333-1984.

We sadly say Bon Voyage to lifetime member and inveterate sailor – Lewis Gunn. Sail racing and cruising was his life for most of his 95 years. His name is prominent in our trophy case.

A Happy March, Fair Breezes and Good Health to all,  
Norm Shotz, Commodore

# NAUTILADIES



The Nautiladies celebrated St. Valentine's Day at our February meeting. There were only 14 of us but we enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by Lindsay and shared some heartfelt stories. We also welcomed new members, Michele Ashby and Kathe Golden.

A group of Nautiladies and their guests traveled to Beaufort February 25<sup>th</sup> to take a docent-led tour of the Verdier House followed by lunch at Wren Bistro. Thank you, Marilyn Owen, for organizing this event.

If there are enough eager participants, Marilyn will organize a trip to Savannah on Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> to enjoy the Savannah Music Festival. The plan is to attend the Swing Central Jazz Band Competition as various high schools from around the country perform on River Street. Those who attended a few years ago, enjoyed the music then had lunch nearby. If this sounds like something you would like to do, call or email Marilyn to let her know.

Please join me in congratulating John and Joan Fraser as they celebrate their 63<sup>rd</sup> wedding anniversary on St. Patrick's Day, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

Our next meeting is Friday, March 14 at 1:00 pm. I hope to see you all there.

Linda O'Connor, President



**St. Patrick's Day Parade is Sunday, March 16 at 3 pm followed by our Annual Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner at the club. Please make reservations with Lindsay.**

## **WANTED: NEW EDITOR OF THE MAIN SHEET!**

I am retiring from being the Editor after the April issue. After four years, it is time for someone else to take over. I will assist in anyway I can. Putting together the monthly Main Sheet is an easy task, taking only a short time to round up the articles. If interested, please contact Norm Shotz, Commodore, at the Club. Thank you, Terri Ahr

# *BOATERS' REPORT*



COMING SOON TO A MARINA NEAR YOU!!!!!!

As we turn from February into March, the temperatures are rising and the boaters are getting itchy to be on the water. So too is your humble Newbie Powerboat Guy!!

Our first outing of the year will be coming up in April when we combine with the Power Squadron for our annual trip to the seafood buffet at 11th Street Dockside in Port Royal. It's always a great feed and great company.

Some time in mid-March you will get an "eVite" soliciting your participation in that trip as either a "Captain" or "Crew", and we'll take it from there with subsequent communications dealing with boat assignments and logistics.

It promises to be a great boating year, and I'm looking forward to having everyone's participation.

Mike, Newbie Powerboat guy



## **Sailing Report**

The sailing season is almost upon us! The Club Flying Scots are on trailers in the yard and are in the process of being painted, rigged, and generally made ready. To that end, we will need some strong people to help turn them over for a new coat of bottom paint. Time to be determined depending on the weather. Please email me [dbpepe@colby.edu](mailto:dbpepe@colby.edu) if you might be available to help.

We'll go over the Sunfish soon. I'm thinking the water might still be a little chilly to sail them right now.

I have one of those great little club kayaks at home to clean up, sand the rough spots off the bottom and re-glue the cockpit rim. Still the other to do.

There have been requests to repeat some of the programs given last year by our very knowledgeable club members. Please think about what would be a workable day and time to do this.

Racing: Jim Vaughn has made up the racing schedule for our Scots. Please find it in this newsletter, on the website and on the bulletin board. And let him or me know if you are interested in helping in any way.

Comments and suggestions always welcome about any aspect of sailing at the club as we continue to develop our program.

Deb Pepe, Sailing Coordinator

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**YCHHI 2014 RACING SCHEDULE**  
Updated 2-20-14

**YCHHI PHRF regattas**

Harbortown Cup (since 1970) April 26 or 27 Tentative pending Regatta Chair  
Calibogue Cup (since 1971) October 25-26

**ONE DESIGN (Flying Scot)**

Congratulations to Marty Otten on victory in 2013, 2nd by Vaughn, 3rd Henderson

At a meeting in January a schedule for the spring racing was proposed. After feedback the following race schedule is proposed for 2014

Spring

March 22/23  
April 5/6  
May 10/11  
Make up May 17/18

Fall

Sept 20/21  
Oct 4/5  
Nov 8/9  
Make up Nov 15/16

These dates should not conflict with other area races or events and provide our sailors two race days per weekend making it easier to launch and retrieve boats.

Tom Caldwell has again graciously agreed to serve as RC for our series working with Don Robins, Dick Lewis, Ivan Bush and many others

**Reminders:**

1. Race rules and scoring are set forth in the YC directory.
2. A boat's hull number will be used for scoring not sail #, skipper, or crew
3. We consider 15 races our desired series with 12 being a minimum.
4. Conditions permitting, the race committee will try to run three races per scheduled race day
5. More or fewer races can make up a series or a race day with the agreement of all fleet members and/or the club's commodore.
6. The RC has ultimate decision on when or if to race on any race. However, it was agreed by the fleet that even one boat arriving at the scheduled start of a scheduled race can be raced and scored.
7. Any other one design fleet may start and race with the Flying Scots on any scheduled race day

**OTHER AREA REGATTAS**

Spring

Deep South Regatta (SYC) March 1-2  
Jean Ribaut Cup (BYSC) March 29  
Charleston Race week April 10-13  
MacIntosh Cup (SYC) ?  
SCYC Spring Regatta May 3-4

Summer

Low Country Regatta (BYSC) June 21-22  
Beaufort Water Festival (BYSC) July 12-13

Fall

Luekemia Cup/Wassau Cup (SYC) Sept 12-14  
Around Parris Island (Sundfish BYSC) Sept. 20  
Carolina Ocean Challenge (SCYC) Oct 18/19  
Championship of Sailing (USSailing and CSC)

**OTHER AREA EVENTS OF NOTE**

RBC Heritage golf Tournament April 14-20  
Concurs D'Elegance November 1-2

## YCHHI March, 2014 Events and Activities

					28 Dinner– Stuffed Pork Chops  <b>O'Connors</b>	1
2	3	4 Mah Jongg 1pm	5  Hackers Golf	6	7 Dinner- Italian Night-Ziti with Sausage <b>Janet Gillespie</b> <b>J.Vaughan</b>	8
9	10	11 Mah Jongg 1pm	12  Hackers Golf	13	14 <b>Nautiladies</b> Dinner-Chicken Enchiladas  <b>Jeanne Christenson</b> <b>Stortz'</b>	15
16  <b>St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef Dinner</b>	17	18 Mah Jongg 1pm  <b>Board of Stewards 4:00pm</b>	19  Hackers Golf	20	21 Dinner– Filet of Beef   <b>Foleys</b>	22  <b>Flying Scott Race</b>
23  <b>Flying Scott Race</b>	24	25 Mah Jongg 1pm	26  Hackers Golf	27	28 Dinner– Cod, Linguini with Lemon Butter  <b>N. Sears &amp; R. Hughes</b>	29
30	31	1	2	3	4 Dinner-Chicken Marsala <b>McAlarney &amp;Walker</b>	

**Bartenders in Red      Greeters in Green**

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