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THE MAIN SHEET

Monthly Newsletter of The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island



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Deb Pepe

Commodore's Comments

by John Lang

2016 started with a great New Year's Day Brunch prepared by Chef Mick & his crew and enjoyed by all. The waffles were magnificent (rationed to one half, as my wife was monitoring), and the omelet made my plate runneth over. It was a wonderful way to start the year.

January continued as a month of fun, with a double-header on Friday the 15th when we honored the crews participating in the Conch Republic Cup race to Cuba, as well as celebrated a number of birthdays at our monthly birthday recognition for those January folks born just too late for a tax deduction.

The participation of "Roeboat" in the Conch Republic Cup is a great coup for our Club thanks to the efforts of Michael Roe and the able crew he has assembled. The first team will sail his boat to Key West; the next will compete over many days racing from Key West to Veradero, Cuba and after some local racing on to Havana before returning to Key West. Then the third team will return Roeboat to Hilton Head.

Saturday, January 16th, a festive group of members and guests, including Mayor David Bennett and his

family, gathered at Skull Creek Marina to celebrate the sendoff. This is the first year American ships can legally participate in the Cup, and the entire Club is proud of the tremendous effort Mike Roe and his crew have put forth. We wish all involved success and safe passage.

Membership is growing, and a new member recognition dinner was held on January 22nd. All present enjoyed a great prime rib dinner.

Many plans are being made for the future, and some of these plans will be discussed in other parts of the Main Sheet. Two definite events to mark on your calendars are the Super Bowl Party on February 7 being organized by the Nauti Ladies (an event always more enjoyable watching with a group!) and the 4 course wine-tasting dinner to be held on February 17th.



Nauti Ladies Report

by Janet Gillespie

The January meeting set off the year with a bang. Miss Pat served a beautiful, tasty lunch which was appreciated by our members.

Over the last few months we have been looking into purchasing a mixer for the kitchen. Due to the holiday season the purchase was put on the back burner. However, Corinne has found one and it has been ordered. It will be a great help to the kitchen staff.

Betty Bush reminded the ladies that the ships store is not a money making operation but a convenience for members. Wearing or using the products gives us good publicity.

Marilyn Owen and others have cleaned out some of the unused items in one of our cabinets to make way for some newly purchased items.

Several excursions have been planned for the upcoming months: a Super Bowl Party on Feb. 7, a tour of the Tea Plantation outside of Charleston, an outing to the Savannah Music Festival, April 2 and a Fashion Show on April 14. Carol Lang and her committee will be coordinating the Super Bowl Party food. Reservations for the Music Festival should be made with Marilyn Owen by Feb 15.

Carol Lang warned that it important we only serve people who are our members, their guest or reciprocal club members. Recently there was an incident where a non-member ordered and paid for a drink at a club. As a result, the club paid a \$4,000 fine. Our greeters can help with this by making sure non-members sign our guest book. Members who are not staying are also asked to sign-in. Bartenders can help by asking anyone paying cash which member invited them to the club. We certainly don't want a fine.

Thanks to all who worked and are working on our projects.

Greeters:

- Jan. 22 Mary Ann Compher
- Jan, 29 Jeanne Christenson
- Feb. 5 Deb Pepe
- Feb. 12 Marilyn Owen


The next meeting is February 11, 2016

February

2016

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31						

March						
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
					6:00 Dinner	
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1:00 Mahjong 5:00 Super Bowl Party	6:00 - 10:00 Rotary Club	1:00 Mahjong	Hackers Golf	12:00 Nauti Ladies Meeting	6:00 Dinner	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
1:00 Mahjong	6:00 - 10:00 Rotary Club	1:00 Mahjong	Hackers Golf <i>Sonoma vs Napa Wine Tasting Dinner</i>		6:00 Dinner	
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1:00 Mahjong	6:00 - 10:00 Rotary Club	1:00 Mahjong 4:00 to 5:00 Board Meeting	Hackers Golf		6:00 Dinner	
21	29	1	2	3	4	5
1:00 Mahjong	6:00 - 10:00 Rotary Club					

Food & Beverage Committee

February 17, 2016

Sonoma

vs

Napa

\$40 per person

MENUS for February

February 5, 2016
6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour

Lasagna
Caprese Salad, Green Beans



February 12, 2016
6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour

Chicken Francais
Basmati Rice, Brussels Sprouts, Mixed Green Salad



**Member
Price**
\$25

February 19, 2016
6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour

Prime Rib
Butter and Brown Sugar Sweet Potatoes,
Asparagus, Caesar Salad

February 26, 2016
6:00 to 7:00 Happy Hour

Roast Pork Loin w Pecan & Cranberry Gravy
Corn, Steeped Peas, Wilted Spinach Salad



Watch for your weekly Constant Contact reservation notice. Remember reservations help to save money. Please make your reservation by Thursday online.

Chef Mick Connors at PerfectStormCatering@Hotmail.com or 843-415-1151

**BARTENDERS
FOR
FEBRUARY**



February 5, 2016

Kathe & Bob Golden

February 12, 2016

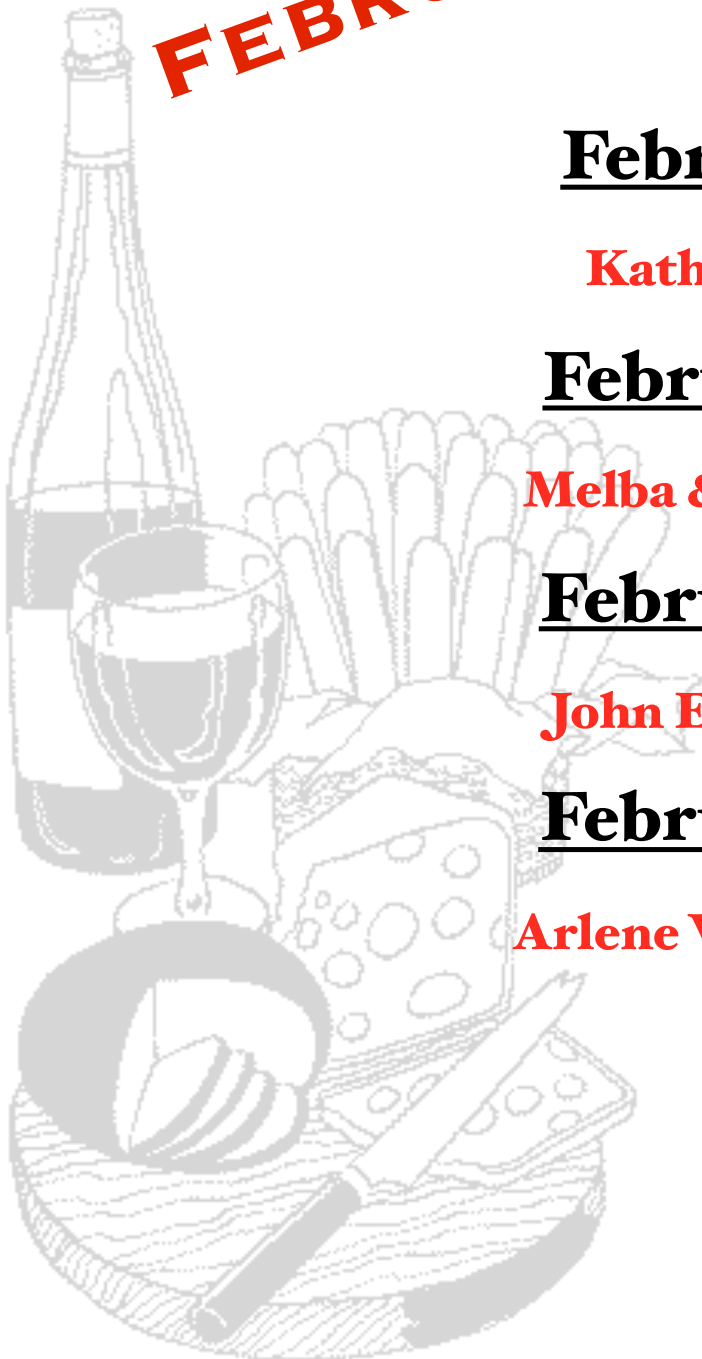
Melba & Lee Hildenbrant

February 19, 2016

John Esser & Ivan Bush

February 26, 2016

Arlene Walker & Pat Foley



The Ship's Store

Hello from your SHIPS STORE!

by Betty Bush



The Ships Store is that armoire over in the corner of the main room at the Yacht Club. A Ships Store is traditionally a place where you can find all your needs to outfit your boat/yacht. Our Ships Store can supply you with all manner of things that include clothing, such as shirts, vests, jackets, sweat shirts and caps or a variety of other items (burgees, boat bags, note cards, license plates) that wear the Club logo. If



we don't have your size or preferred color in stock, I can order and have it for you in two weeks. The doors are always open when the club is open, so come to visit us soon and OFTEN! Oh, you don't need cash, your purchase goes on a chit to be billed at the end of the month.

Sailing/Regatta/Boating Activities Committee Reports

******Lock your boats and trailers!! ******

A large trailer was stolen off our property. Also, check your boat owners insurance. Your trailer should be covered under it.

Sailing Report

by Deb Pepe, Sail Coordinator

A Club wide Sail Interest meeting was held earlier this month with about 20 members in attendance. The enthusiasm for sailing activities this coming year was palpable.

Dave Skhor invites sailors and all boaters to participate in a program that he will coordinate with the Boys & Girls Club. The purpose is to extend YCHHI outreach to local youngsters to provide boating experience, both power and sail. The kids will be picked up by power boats and taken out to a raft-up in our usual place at Middle Marsh Island. Flying Scots will sail out (skipper and experienced crew on each) to raft-up. From there, the kids will be taken sailing, one or two to a Scot. Henry Schultz has volunteered to coordinate sailors and sailboats participation. Target: early June.

Big boats - Jim Landis invites all interested sailors to attend sail meetings every first & third Saturday at the Club as listed on YCHHI calendar. Casual sails open to all interested sailors and boats.

Planning to coordinate events with area clubs is in progress, including Beaufort Yacht Club, Charleston Yacht Club, and others.

YCHHI Regatta Weekend again in the Fall. planning will begin in February.

Deb Pepe, Jim Landis, others to attend SAYRA (South Atlantic Yacht Racing Assoc) meeting on Hilton Head at the Sheridan Sat, Jan 30. It's an interesting meeting, a great place to meet sailors from other local clubs. Our attendance is free. January 30 - all welcome. For more information, see sayra-sailing.com or contact me.

We be calling on Club members to help with work on our Flying Scots. It's a great hands-on time to learn more about these great boats. As you all know, a boat is a hole in the water into which you

pour money. Because we do the work ourself, we plug that leak.

The Flying Scot Fleet does not have a Race Committee to run the races. It's a great day on the water and we'll teach you. So if you've given up sailing or racing, please consider keeping up your interest in this way. Contact Henry Schultz (Fleet Captain) or myself for more information.

We also need skippers and crew for the coming season. Please join us!

New member experience. Jeff Westfall explained how sailing with club big boats (Jim Landis' Solitude Marek Belka's Freedom boat) encourages on-the-water experience available to all members. Attend first & third Saturday sail meetings.

Jeff Dreschler, US Sailing Certified Instructor and YCHHI member briefly summarized his proposed casual program of discounted sailing lessons to club members and other YCHHI possibilities.

Hilton Head Sail & Power Squadron offers one day seminars to the public on matters pertinent to the use of our local waters. Upcoming are:

- [Tides and Currents Seminar](#) Sat. 13 Feb, 2016 (9:00 am - 11:00 am)
- [Mariner's Compass Seminar](#) Sat. 12 Mar, 2016 (9:00 -11:00 am)

US Coast Guard Auxiliary, in which a number of YCHHI members are active, also provides education and a wide range of important and interesting on-the-water opportunities.

As always, please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions, comments or concert.