

November 2003

The Nauti News



Homestead Yacht Club

Our 17th Year of Boating Fun

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Hi Everyone,

Art and Maria Muina did an excellent job on the Oktoberfest, with great food and music. Everybody had a good time except for George McDermot, while decorating the pavilion George fell off the stepladder and broke his ankle in three places. George Mayer drove him and Annie to the Homestead hospital where McDermot spent the rest of the weekend in the emergency room. It seems there weren't enough beds to give him one and he was too bad to transport to another hospital. He will undergo surgery for his ankle on Monday and hopefully they will find him a bed.

George's injury put a damper on the festivities but we managed to carry on in the typical HYC fashion. After we cleaned up at the pavilion the party moved to the docks where we all danced and had a tall one for George.

Next month the club travels to Miami Bayside for the start of the holiday season, with dinner at Bubba Gumps it is sure to be a good time. On December 13 the annual Christmas boat parade will be held in Key Largo and the theme is "Hooray for Hollywood." I would like for everyone that is going to participate to come dressed as your favorite star or character. There is room at the Anchorage Resort (across from Gilberts) for four or five more boats to dock at and you can always drive down and board my boat there before the parade.

That's all from me for now, so may your winds be light and your seas smooth.

Commodore Bill



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Editor's Note

Sorry we missed the Oktoberfest event, hopefully next year it will not be on Fantasy Fest weekend. If anyone has any photos from the event, please get them to me and I will post them on Photo Island.

Also, don't forget about our web site (www.homesteadyachtclub.com) where there is a lot of information about the club, including copies of previous Newsletters.

Bill Zinn, sunbil@aol.com

Next Club Meeting

The next HYC monthly meeting will be on Monday, Nov 3rd at the Redland County Club, Cocktails at 7 PM and Dinner at 7:30 PM. Our dinner will be "Thanksgiving Dinner" with all the trimmings. The new HYC Bridge for 2004 will be announced at this meeting. Please confirm your attendance with Ely at 305-270-1527 or 305-773-0783 or EDDYELY@aol.com. Just a reminder..if you do not confirm your attendance prior to the meeting, there is no guarantee that there will be a full dinner for you. The Country Club prepares meals based on the confirmations that Ely receives. They can usually accommodate one or two extra people, but recently we have had 12-15 extras show up. So, please let Ely know if you are going to attend.

Sunshine News

A plant was sent to Andrea Bieger-Heiden last week. She had shoulder surgery and the Club wishes her a speedy recovery.

If you have any other Club member news, please contact Carol Timmons at 305-254-7663 or Carols_Crew@adelphia.net.

Keep the Sun Shining, Carol

A Word of Thanks

Dear Homestead Yacht Club Members,

Thank you so much for your flower arrangement and your thoughts, you sent me after my shoulder surgery for my recovery. I know that I have a very long, slow going recovery ahead of me and I am not a very patient person. Therefore I hope to see you soon at the dock, because I heard, that boating, salt water and a good time will help a lot. Again, thank you all for everything.

Yours, Andrea Bieger-Heiden

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Annual Change of Watch, January 24, 2004

It's that time again, time to honor the out going Bridge officers and welcome the incoming Bridge officers. For those of you who are newer members and have not experienced the annual Change of Watch dinner and dance, this is the biggest party of the year. Even though it's held at our usual meeting place, we have beautiful table decorations, great music for dancing, a sit down dinner with outstanding food, and door prizes. It's a chance to get dressed up (not required) and enjoy the friendships of our fellow members in a relaxed atmosphere. The club will be treating all members to 2 hours of open bar this year, one hour before dinner and one hour after. See more info elsewhere in this newsletter. So mark your calendar for January 24, 2004. Don't miss this one.

Larry and Sharon Roesch

Minutes of Last HYC Meeting

Commodore Bill Clemons called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. on October 6, 2003.

The minutes were accepted as contained in the last newsletter.

Charlene Powell presented the treasurer's report for the month of September 2003, which showed the following income for September: 50-50 \$49.00 Expenses include: Coconut Grove Bank \$20.00; Sunshine (Rimland) \$55.11 Total Income: \$49.00 Total Expenses: \$75.11 Ending Balance: \$5548.01

Bill Zinn, newsletter Editor had a copy of the "new" regulations for Columbus Day from the Park Service. Also, if you change your email address, please notify him so he can make the changes.

Larry, the Webmaster, has nothing new to report other than the website is full of good information such as past event photos, newsletters, meetings etc.

Park Liaison, Buz Strandhagen, re-introduced Jeannie and Angel from the Park. Angel announced that the Park and the Youth Foundation are holding a kid's event on Dec. 13 from 8-12 AM. There will be a fishing tournament and a gift and food drive. Please bring your donations to the event or drop them off with Angel prior to the start. Unwrapped gifts please. Buzz also brought up the continuing electrical problems we are having, citing a boat on "B" dock that had a burned up shore power cord and the breaker did not trip. If you have a problem, document it with photos. Jeannie said the electrical was checked by the County but no problem was found. She is working on having an independent contractor check it again.

There were several other comments that the electrical problems are a # 1 priority at this time. Also, keep an eye on your bottoms and zincs.

Roger North mentioned that there seems to be roadblocks with the management and we may have to go over Kathy's head to get anything done. There were several discussions concerning this matter. Buzz wanted each member to write a letter to the park with his or her concerns. Roger suggested that one letter with all member's signatures should be sent to the Park. It was decided that Roger would do the letter and get the signatures from the members. In addition, each member can write an addendum, email or letter addressing their personal concerns.

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Membership committee chairperson, George Mayer, reported new members Dennis Santiago & Margarita Del Valle were present. Also, Jeannie (from the Park) & David Clark have joined the club and are the first to pay next years dues! Burgees were given to the new members.

Sunshine Committee member Carol Timmons was not present.

Linda Clemmons, operator of the Ship's Store announced that there would be a Rotary fundraiser on November 7th. The cost will be \$ 50.00 per person or \$ 90.00 per couple. Proceeds will benefit Shake-A-Leg. She also said that there is nothing new to report for the ships store.

Telephone coordinator Elisa Prats asked the club members to please make any changes in dinner reservations by Sunday night.

Old Business: Ted Newlan reminded the attending members again that if you make a dinner reservation, you pay whether you show or not!

New Business: Art Muina went over some of the details for the Oktoberfest event at the Homestead Pavilion on October 25th. Please sign up tonight so he can get a rough head count and mail your checks ASAP. Music will be from 1:30 to 4:30. Food starts at 3:00 and as usual, it's a BYOB.

Charlene and Dwayne are hosting the Bayside Ramble at Bayside Nov. 28-30. Dockage will be \$ 2.50 per foot with 30-50 amp electric. Cocktails Friday at 5:00 PM are BYOB. Saturday you're on your own with lot's to see and do at Bayside. Dinner at Bubba Gump's will be at 6:00 PM and the cost is \$18.00 for members and \$24.00 for guests. Sunday at 9:00 AM bagels and bloody marys will be served.

For the November meeting we will have marine lawyers present to discuss towing, salvage law and liabilities associated with boating. A motion was entered to have the Black Point Club join us and the motion was passed.

The Christmas parade is scheduled for December 12-13 in Key Largo. This year's theme will be "Hooray For Hollywood"! Dress as a movie star.

Ted Newlan and Larry Roesch brought up the nominees for next years bridge. Several suggestions were made with the goal being to have at least two members running for each office to create a true election. The following members will be running:

Commodore: George Mayer and Bill Clemons

Vice Commodore: George McDermot, Roger North and Art Muina

Treasurer: Charlene Powell and Sharon Roesch

Secretary: Annie McDermot and Claire Stranhagen

Larry Roesch will handle ballot distribution and counting.

Charlene Powell encouraged the new members to get involved in the running of the Club.

Judy Love won the 50-50 of \$54.00 and the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Peter Dean

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Welcome New Members



Janie Clark



Dennis Santiago & Margarita Del Valle

For Sale by HYC Member

**2002 Key Largo 160
Center Console, 50 HP Merc OB
Trailer and Extended Engine Warranty
\$7,300
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Member Ads

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ANNUAL CHANGE OF WATCH

Dinner Dance

January 24, 2004

**Redland Golf and Country Club
24451 SW 177 Avenue Homestead, FL**

Menu

Seafood Bisque

Herb Roasted Prime Rib of Beef

Or

Boneless Chicken Breast w/Mango-Papaya Chutney

Caesar Salad

Baked Potato

Fresh Asparagus w/Hollandaise

Mini French Baguettes and Butter

Dessert: t.b.a.

Cocktails (Open Bar) 7PM

Dinner 8PM

Open Bar 9PM to 10 PM Cash Bar 10PM to Midnight

Dancing to DJ Larry

\$25.00 per member Beef

\$20.00 per member Chicken

\$40.00 per guest Beef - \$35.00 per guest Chicken

Make Checks Payable to Homestead Yacht Club

Send to Larry Roesch

17330 SW 246 St. Homestead, FL 33031

All reservations must be prepaid by Jan 17, 2004

Indicate Beef or Chicken