

Homestead Yacht Club

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Our 18th Year of Boating Fun

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Hi everyone,

Mother Nature has decided to be nice to us for the last few weeks and most of us took advantage of it by being out on the water.

I saw a lot of our Club out on Columbus Day weekend, maybe too much of some of our members, but it was a lot of fun.

The trip to Miami Bayside started out like the weather wasn't going to cooperate but it turned out to be a beautiful weekend. The Oktoberfest celebration that Art and Maria Muina put together for us was fantastic. The food was fantastic and quite abundant, the one thing that can be said about this Club is that we know how to eat and drink. The food was so abundant that we even had it for brunch the next day. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Art and Maria for all the work they did to pull this event off. For those of you that didn't know, Art had to scramble to find a German restaurant after the one he had suddenly closed just before this event.

I have some volunteers for the HYC officers; they are Charlene Powell for Commodore, Barbara Napoles for Vice Commodore, Sharon Roesch for Treasurer, the position of Secretary is still unfilled. George and Annie McDermot have volunteered to do the Newsletter, it was time to give Bill Zinn a break as he has been doing the Newsletter for many years. Bill will be missed not only for editing but also for all the articles he has done to make the Newsletter what it is today. I still need your nominations for the HYC officers and volunteers for the Ship's Store and other support positions by the next meeting. If there are no other nominations or volunteers we will vote in the volunteers that I have listed above. That will give the new Bridge a little time to prepare for next year. It would be nice to have some more new members show their support of the Club by volunteering for some of the offices for next year. Your new Commodore will no doubt come around and ask you to help out so show your support; it

is your Club, volunteer. Remember that you will have plenty of help from the outgoing Bridge to make the transition as smooth as possible. Also, I'm sure that the new Bridge will be looking for volunteers to organize and host events during 2005, so please give that some thought as well.

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

Commodore Bill



Next Club Meeting

The next monthly Club Meeting will be on Monday, November 1st at the Redland Country Club. Dinner will be your choice of Stuffed Turkey with all the trimmings or London Broil. Please confirm your reservations and dinner choice with Susan Coffey (klcoffey@bellsouth.net or 305-279-5393)

Editor's Note

I was recently notified that the Photo Island web site, where photos of our Club events have been posted, will be closing down on November 22^{nd} . We have been using this free service for several years and everyone seems to have enjoyed it. I am looking at several other sites that we might be able to use, but thus far I haven't found anything quite as easy to use as the Photo Island site. If anyone has any suggestions, please let me know.

Just a reminder; If you have any photos or news items that you think may be of interest to other Club members, please send them to me and I will try to include them in the Newsletter.

Bill Zinn, sunbil@aol.com

Sunshine News

Jana Bieger (daughter of Wolfgang Hieden and Andrea Bieger) injured her knee during an exercise at a gymnastics camp in Texas as she was preparing for a meet in San Salvador. She had surgery on October 12th to repair the slight tear of one of her tendons. Wolfgang says she's healing nicely but she's out of gymnastics for the rest of this year.

I haven't heard anything from anyone else so I'm hoping that everyone else is doing well.

I hope everyone has a Happy Thanksgiving.

Kathy North, Sunshine

Member's Profile: Dwayne Powell, Membership Person

Dwayne Powell, the Club's Membership Person, was born and raised in Perry, Georgia, south of Macon. His wife Charlene is also from Georgia, born and raised in West Point, southwest of Atlanta on the Alabama border. Dwayne and Charlene met at a friend's birthday party in Warner Robins, Georgia in They subsequently moved to Miami in 1986 when Dwayne was promoted to State Farm Insurance Claims Manager for this area. The Powell's became interested in boating when a friend took them out on his 20' sailboat at Pensacola, Florida. They have always been sail boaters, with their first boat being a 22' Catalina, then a 27', then a 34', and finally their present 45' Morgan. They enjoy cruising and anchoring out, especially in the Keys, the Bahamas, and along the East Coast. As part of their protest against the increased Bahamian entrance fees, this past spring they spent

two weeks cruising along the East Coast. They sailed on the outside up to Cape Canaveral and then motored back down the inside on the ICW. While they have enjoyed such trips, they still feel that it is pretty hard to find anyplace better for relaxing on the water than Biscayne The Powell's joined HYC in 1990 National Park. and both have been very active in the Club. Dwayne was Commodore in 1997 and 1998 after also having served as Vice Commodore. Charlene has been both Secretary and Treasurer for the Club. They have no particular future plans other than to continue enjoying boating and fun on the water.



Dwayne and Charlene

Minutes of October Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Bill Clemons at 7:35 p.m. on October 4, 2004.

Old Business:

Commodore Clemons advised that during the Club event at the Coral Reef Yacht Club, Chuck Burnitz had partially paid his bill, but Bob Temkin did not pay at all. Both bills were settled by Charlie Sammarco and the Club reimbursed Charlie for his out of pocket expense. Commodore Bill felt that this and other behavior was such, that he made a motion to terminate their membership. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried, terminating membership for Chuck Burnitz and Bob Temkin. Club Secretary will send a collection letter to both parties specifying the balances owed to the Club with a copy to the Club Treasurer.

Treasury Report: Sharon Roesch advised that September 2004 income consisted of \$40.00 from the 50/50 and membership dues of \$40.00. The Coral Ridge Yacht Club had sent out 3 separate billings. The last one did not include sales tax, which was still owed by a few. Sharon advised she had received some checks prior to the meeting. The final billing owed by the Club was \$292.63 of which \$103.03 and \$160.27 was owed by Burnitz & Temkin respectively. All amounts owed by our members have been settled with these two exceptions. If these members did not reimburse the Club, the Club would be out of pocket this amount. The ending balance at

September 2004 was \$5,268.44. Further details of the Treasurer's report will be included in the newsletter. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report as read, which motion carried.

Newsletter: Bill Zinn advised he was looking for a volunteer to take over the publication of the monthly Newsletter. Interested parties should speak with Bill as soon as possible. Bill provided an insight to the Park's rules regarding Columbus Day and restricted anchorage areas. He mentioned the Marine Patrol would have a boat stationed by the Featherbeds with lights to ward off possible groundings, and the fact that the park's website had additional information on their rules for this event.

Web Site: There was no news on the Web Site. However, the 2005 membership application was posted there and could be downloaded. Members were asked to submit their application forms and checks ASAP.

Phone Committee: Susan Coffey advised all was going well with the Phone Committee.

Park News: Buzz Strandhagen advised that members should not be concerned about the recent letter received from the Park because nothing had changed. The Park had only restated their Policy in the letter. Marina Manager Janie reinforced that, indicating we would not be locked out of the Marine while she was there, and that this was the reason for her letter that provided the number of the beeper given to the guard. Janie further reminded the membership of the upcoming Arts Festival at the Park.

Membership: Dwayne Powell informed that the Club had 66 members. New members Peter Thompson and Margaret Burne, Oscar and Blanca Iglesias and past members Art and Leslie Thornton were welcomed. The last burgee made the rounds of the new members, who were present, for picture taking.

Sunshine Committee: Cathy North advised that Jan and George Mayer and Sharon and Larry Roesch were waiting for the birth of their grandchildren. Commodore Bill advised that Nestor and Monica Hernandez's baby son had been extremely ill but was on the way to recovery, and that our prayers were with the family. Otherwise everyone was well.

Ship's Store: Linda Clemons advised that she had received the extra large Polo Shirts, which were now available. However, she was unable to order any new items until we reduced her inventory and encouraged members to help out by making purchases.

Park Activities: Josial Moreno, Park Manager advised that the Art Festival will continue to take place on an annual basis and he thanked the members for their ideas and suggestions. He explained that this event was cosponsored by the Marina and the Park. A well known artist will be on site, there will be a VIP tent for Marina Patrons who could collect a \$15.00 coupon on arrival to use as they liked, and there would be lots of events for children as well. Marina patrons are asked to partner with the Park to make this event an exceptional one. It was noted that the event would be on Sunday October 17 from 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (the same week-end as our Oktoberfest cruise to Bayside).

Columbus Day: Janie advised that if you plan to come into the Park on Saturday, October 9th, you should get there by 10:00 a.m. Someone will be up and down the line to help marina patrons get through the gate but there was no guarantees. She further advised that only trailers owned by marina patrons could park in the marina parking lot and only available by transient dockage boaters.

2005 Bridge: Commodore Clemons asked for nominations for the 2005 Bridge. Members interested in holding office in 2005 should speak with him.

Oktoberfest: Art Muina informed the restaurant originally chosen had closed down. He was able to make arrangements with Heidi's Restaurant in the Gables. The food would be brought to Bayside. A list of boats and their sizes should be made available ASAP. Members can check in on October 15 and 16. Ten slips were reserved on a first come, first serve basis. A German meal will be served but no booze - BYOB. The Club was funding the event, with a \$5.00 charge per member, and \$15.00 charge for non-members (the cost of the meal). Festivities to begin at 5:00 p.m. on the dock. Members are asked to make their checks payable to Homestead Yacht Club.

November Dock Party: Derek Boos said the dock party would consist of a BBQ of Argentinean meats and chicken. All the details will be worked out and made available to the membership at the next Club meeting.

The 50/50 pot for tonight's drawing was \$140. \$70.00 was won by visitor, Barbara Napoles, who subsequently joined the Club, so she has the honor of collecting for the 50/50 at the November meeting.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 p.m.

Annabelle McDermot, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT for the Month ending September 30, 2004

Beginning Balance	5471.07
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Income:

 50/50 September
 40.00

 New Member Dues
 40.00

 Total
 80.00

Expenses:

Coral Ridge Yacht Club 165.79 L. Roesch (overpay –CRYC) 126.84 **Total 292.63**

Ending Balance September 30, 2004 5258.44

Note: L. Roesch had overpaid Coral Ridge Yacht Club 126.84. That overpayment was applied to the 292.63 that the Club owed Coral Ridge and L. Roesch was reimbursed by HYC. The September Club Event was cancelled due to Hurricane Frances.

Submitted By, Sharon Roesch, Treasurer

Cleaning Stainless

An article in a recent edition of *Trailer Boats* magazine recommends the following method for cleaning stainless: Use a sponge or soft toothbrush to apply distilled white vinegar to any rust on the stainless. After removing the rust, wet the stainless, apply baking soda to a wet sponge and polish the stainless with the sponge. You should use enough baking soda to create a thick paste. When finished rinse thoroughly and dry with a cotton cloth.

Welcome to New/Returning Members



Oscar Iglesias

Art & Leslie Thornton



Elio & Barbara Napoles

Yours for the Asking

Love seat size Lazy Boy couch Works perfectly, color: light beige

Contact: Wolfgang or Andrea at 954-224-4769