

August 2004

The Nauti News



Homestead Yacht Club

Our 18th Year of Boating Fun

COMMODORE'S CORNER

Hi everyone.

It looks like all the daring adventurers have returned safely from their trips to the Bahamas. I can't speak for everyone but the one's that were on my boat had a good time and the weather was perfect. We discovered so many beaches that we could not decide which one was the best and we had the best hamburger in the world at MacDuff's. I have given Bill some photos for the newsletter.

The next event is supposed to be a raft up at Elliot Key, but as of now we don't have someone to sponsor this event. If you would like to head up this event please contact me, as we should have plenty of boats out there.

Everyone that is on the Hawks Cay list should have contacted Hawks Cay by now to confirm their slip. Everyone that is planning to drive down or is staying in the resort needs to call me or email me (lindactoo@cs.com) with the number of people in your party that plans on attending the dinner Saturday night. Dinner will be \$32 per club member and \$37 for guests with salad bar, desert, tip, and tax inclusive.

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

Commodore Bill



Next Club Meeting

The next HYC monthly meeting will be on Monday August 2nd at the Redland Country Club. Menu is your choice of stuffed pork chop or beef stroganoff. Please confirm you reservations and choice of entrée with Susan Coffey asap.

Editor's Note

Because of the July 4th holiday and vacations, the newsletter is a bit slim and a bit late this month. Hopefully everyone will receive it prior to the August meeting.

There was no organized HYC event in the Bahamas this July; however, numerous club members, including the entire Bridge, did go there during July. Since there was no Club event during July and thus no photos, I have included some photos taken by Club members during their July Bahamas trip.

Just a reminder, you can have your business card included in the newsletter. Also, if you have a marine associated item for sale or are looking to buy an item, you can place an ad in the newsletter.

Bill Zinn sunbil@aol.com

Club Burgee Posted

During July the entire present HYC Bridge, along with two past Commodores, wound up in the Exumas at the same time. After seeing the hundreds of burgees on display at the Staniel Cay Club's clubhouse, arrangements we made to have the HYC burgee added to the collection. As you can see in the photo, a somewhat weathered, but still presentable Club burgee is now on display in the Exumas.



Sunshine News

Once again, no news is good news. Lets hope this trend continues.

Minutes of Homestead Yacht Club July meeting

Meeting was called to order by Commodore Bill Clemons at 7:35 PM on June 28, 2004 (held a week early due to the July 4th holiday).

Minutes of the May meeting were accepted as published in the Newsletter.

Commodore Clemons thanked the McDermots for a great Pub Crawl during the Club event at Miami Beach Marina.

Treasurer's Report was read by Commodore Bill Clemons as the Club Treasurer was not present. Beginning balance was \$5775.73 and the Ending balance was \$5,236.01. Treasurer's report was accepted as read and a detailed report will be included in the Newsletter.

Newsletter: Bill Zinn informed that the newsletter is being posted on the Club's web site each month and that a new photo of the present Bridge members has also been posted. He also reminded members that if they change their e-mail address, this information should be provided to him. Of the newsletters sent out via e-mail last month, one was returned to him due to an invalid address. Members not receiving their newsletters will not get vital information about club events, unless they regularly check out the web site. He also informed that in the most recent publication of Southern Boating (Page 96) they report that NTSB Hearings will be held on August 25th to discuss their proposal that all boaters must wear life jackets while on a recreational vessel, regardless of vessel size. He felt everyone should read the article.

Phone Committee: No change

Park News: Buzz Stranghagen introduced the Park Manager Josiel Morela who works closely with Jeannie.

- In October, there will be an Art Expression Day to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the Parks, and he requested feedback and/or suggestions on how to improve on last year's event, in terms of music, events etc. These types of events usually takes around three years to kick off and help is needed to get things really going.
- A fishing tournament will be sponsored by the Park with a special prize/trophy for a Yacht Club that participates by sponsoring a boat. The Park is also considering hosting a party afterwards. Members wishing to know more can obtain brochures from either Josiel or Jeannie.
- Buzz Stranghagen asked for and received a round of applause for Josiel, Jeannie and Alex, in thanks for all the work they do for the Marina and the Park.
- A discussion followed on access to the Park during Holiday Weekends, and members were encouraged to arrive at the Park early (before 10:00 a.m.) as the Park gets full and may have to be closed. The Park had a beeper number which was included in a letter sent out by the Park. That number should be used by marina patrons who are unable to get into the Park. If possible, the Park will send someone out to escort Marina patrons into the Park. The Park is open at 5:30 a.m. and closes after dark and the only way to contact the Park is by using that beeper number. The Beeper number was provided to Bill Zinn to be sent out to Club members via email.
- There was a news article on CNN indicating that boaters should be aware of floating objects in the water as they could be explosive.
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Dinner : Commodore Bill asked for and received a round of applause for the dinner which was a great success.

Membership: Dwayne Powell informed that the club had 64 members. Former members, Wilfred and Maria Padron rejoined the Club and received a new Club Burgee.

Guests: There was an introduction of several guests. It was noted that some of the guests were not avid boaters but it is anticipated that after hanging around with their friends, they may just turn out to be boat people after all. **Note:** Taking minutes require the ability to **hear** what is going on. I apologize to the guests at our meeting and their club sponsors for not having heard their names, and so could not publish them in these minutes.

Ship's Store: Linda Clemons advised that the Ship's Store had a lot of new merchandise, and we should buy, buy, buy !

Club Events:

- The 4th of July cruise to No Name Harbor has been cancelled due to lack of participation.
- The Raft up in August had no sponsor and will also be cancelled if there is no volunteer for this event.
- The trip to Hawks Key in September is still on schedule, and Commodore Bill had already provided the list of boats to the Marina. Members who are registered need to call the Marina and provide a credit card number to hold their slips, and the Marina will be holding a \$50.00 deposit against each slip.
- The Oktoberfest event is still on schedule. Art Muina has everything planned, and we should hear more from him at the next meeting, as he was not able to attend this one.
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A member informed that they had read an article wherein it was mentioned that there may be further limits set for the size of dolphins.

The Fifty Fifty for the night was \$75.00.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made and carried to close the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Annabelle McDermot, Secretary

TREASURER’S REPORT for the Month ending June 30, 2004

Beginning Balance	5775.73
Income:	
50/50 May	53.00
Ship Store	176.00
Membership	120.00
Miami Beach	475.00
Total	824.00
Expenses:	
Sunshine (Love)	51.60
Peacock Embroidery	292.65
Miami Beach (McDermot)	819.83
Coral Ridge Event	199.64
Total	1363.72
Ending Balance June 30, 2004	5236.01

Note: The event for May at Coral Ridge Yacht Club cost HYC 199.64 with 24 members attending.
The June Event at Miami Beach Marina cost HYC 344.83 with 19 members attending.

Submitted By, Sharon Roesch, Treasurer

New/Returning Members



Welcome to returning members Wilfred and Maria Padron

Photos from Exumas in the Bahamas



Iguanas on beach at Allan's Cay



Entering Thunderball Grotto



Black Point, Great Guana "Tour Bus"



"Pet" sharks in Compass Cay Marina