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# The Nauti News

**Homestead Yacht Club**

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Our 26th Year of Boating Fun

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## **Relaxing In Key Largo**



HYC members relaxing at the Roesch's home in Key Largo

## **Meeting Reminder**

**Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, Sept 14<sup>th</sup> at the Capri**

## **Editor's Notes**

Assume that everyone made it through Hurricane Irene OK. If you were like us, there was a big sigh of relief when the storm turned north over the Bahamas instead of continuing toward south Florida. It is hard to imagine the amount of flooding the storm caused up north.

Thanks to Larry for providing some photos from the event at their place in Key Largo. It looks like everyone had a good time.

Also, a special thanks to the many members who commented that they enjoyed the Newsletter item about the history of Adams Key. It is nice to know that someone is actually reading the items in the Newsletter.

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## **More Park Plan Meetings**

The National Park Service has scheduled a series of public meetings during September to review another one of their proposed plans. This time it is their General Management Plan. Please note that this is different from the Buoy and Marker Plan which prompted so much discussion in the last several months. As near as I can tell, there are at least three plans in the works, this General Management Plan, the Buoy and Marker Plan, and the Fishery Plan. I have no idea why these are not all consolidated into one plan unless it is because three plans create more jobs than one plan.

This 360 page General Management Plan contains several proposals of interest to anyone who goes boating in the Park. These include the creation of no fish zones, no motor zones, no visitor zones and slow speed zones. The plan also calls for the establishment of a Park Visitor Center in the Dinner Key area of Miami. This is supposedly needed because there are so many people in the Miami area who don't even know that the Park exists. So, while they work on the Buoy and Marker Plan, a major portion of which is devoted to crowd controls needed due to over crowding in some areas of the Park, they want to open a visitor center to encourage more people to visit the park.

Anyway, as mentioned, there will be three public meetings where you can learn additional info about the plan and can also offer your comments about the plan. The meetings will be from 6 to 9 PM as follows:

Tuesday, Sept 13: Crown Plaza Hotel at Miami International Airport

Wednesday, Sept 14: Florida City Hall in Florida City (the date of our monthly meeting)

Thursday, Sept 15: Holiday Inn in Key Largo

All members are encouraged to attend one of these meetings if at all possible.

NOTE: The opinions expressed in this item are those of Editor Bill Zinn and do not necessarily express those of the HYC or our bridge.

## **Minutes of August 2011 Meeting**

Meeting called to order by Cmdr. Dave at 7:00 p.m. on August 1<sup>st</sup> 2011.

First speaker Dockmaster Mike McCrink: The restaurant building should be finished by October 1st and will go out for bid on who will run it. We gained five new patrons this month. We lost two who went to Matheson. Mike said both lived in Coral Gables and had been on Matheson's "wait" list for some time. AML, an organization which works with kids, brought 17 boats into the marina. They proudly proclaimed certifying 120 kids. There were 48 boats on transient status. The dry storage is full. Welcome back Antonio Muina, to the dry storage area. The new shelters in the park are doing well, most are booked every weekend. The small ones rent for \$60.00 and the large one \$170.00. Mike also mentioned that when the restaurant opens it will need its own security which will be beneficial to the park and marina patrons.

Sunshine Committee: Joy reports that so far everyone is healthy.

Treasurer's Report: Dee Riley reported an opening balance of \$4873.64 and closing balance of \$4903.64. Full report, covering two months, appears elsewhere in the newsletter.

Dee and Ted checked on No Name Harbor for a possible outing in August. Mooring on the seawall is \$2.00 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. Anchoring is \$20.00. The pavilion is first come, first served. The restaurant is Boater's Grill. After some discussion it was decided that August is too hot for this location, we'll look at it for a later date.

Sharon and Larry Roesch volunteered to chair a dock party on B-dock on August 27th.

September: Look into taking commercial boat for the Miami River Tour. Angie Ficken reported that it was \$35.00 when she took it, was four hours long and a professional commentator gave them much of the history.

Cmdr. Dave mentioned that he was interested in Black Point's outing to Stiltsville. Larry mentioned that it is available but mostly best for small boats. We'll explore these options further for our next meeting.

September's meeting will be moved to the second Monday due to the holiday weekend.

Thanks to Bill and Sandy Zinn for an interesting newsletter in July. We thoroughly enjoyed the history lesson.

Thanks for answering our call girl, Liz promptly.

We are exploring whether or not to hold our change of watch at the Capri Restaurant in January.

50/50 of \$22.00 won by Ted Newlan. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Strandhagen, Secretary

**TREASURER'S REPORT**  
**HOMESTEAD Bay front YACHT CLUB**

BEGINNING BALANCE JUNE 1, 2011; 4873.64

INCOME:

50/50 30.00

Total: 30.00

EXPENSES:

No Expenses

Total: \$0.00

ENDING BALANCE JULY 31, 2011: 4903.64

SUBMITTED BY: Dee Riley, TREASURER

NOTE: The June event was attended by 14 members and 2 guests, at no cost to the club.

ALSO, Please note there was no meeting or event in July, thus this report covers a two month period.

## Photos of Key Largo Event

