



# The Nauti News

**Homestead Yacht Club**  
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Our 20<sup>th</sup> Year of Boating Fun

*The COMMODORE's Corner*



**Merry Christmas,  
Happy Holidays,  
Feliz Navidad, etc. and a  
Happy, Healthy and Peacefull  
2007 to ALL!**



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**Homestead Yacht Club  
Minutes of General Meeting  
Monday, November 6, 2006**

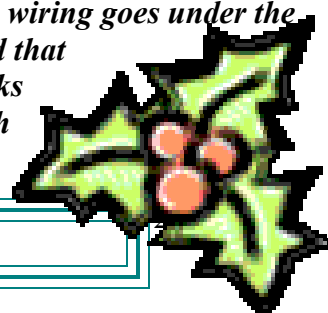
*Meeting was called to order by Commodore Charlene at 7.35 p.m.*

*There was no microphone, so members were asked to be quiet so everyone could hear.*

*Commodore Charlene congratulated George Meyer and his bridge for 2007 and went over the procedures for selecting the new bridge each year.*

*The Commodore selects a Nominating Committee Chairman. The Chairman selects his committee. Months before the voting process, the Commodore asks that any member interested in a position on the Bridge let it be known to the Commodore, the selection Chairman or a committee member. The Nominating Committee comes up with a selection to be voted on based on volunteers and then asks members to contribute for positions for which there are no volunteers. The selection is presented at the November general meeting. If no opposing candidates, a ballot vote is not required and is voted by voice vote by the members present.*

***Park News:** Josiel thanked the club for a wonderful and productive year and wished everyone a Happy Holiday Season. Josiel requested suggestions for a menu for the next Park Social. Immediate response from most members was steak and lobster and someone suggested ribs. The Park is undergoing a series of fire inspections and to date passed all but one. There is one fire suppression system not working and will be fixed. The fire department suggested marina patrons do not hang stuff on the ladders as they have a safety purpose. George Mayer suggested the Park put some sort of cushion material on the ladders so marina patrons would not have to hang their fenders on the ladders. Josiel mentioned that members should encourage their mechanics to put only oil in the drums by the parking lot, put there for that purpose. The park has found oil filters and other material in the drums causing the park problems with their vendors who only remove oil. There is a sign on the drums and the park needs help with this problem. A member voice the opinion that the drums are not always cleared out on a regular basis and Josiel said he would look into it. Another issue brought up was the fact that marina patrons were leaving all sorts of stuff on the docks rather than disposing of them such as air conditioning units, boat parts, and such. The marina staff is willing to help but stuff for disposal should not be left on the docks as it leaves a negative impression of the marina. Contractors will begin working on the docks. There will be a general meeting on Tuesday and members were encouraged to attend to voice their concerns. The Park will begin the work by halves. A suggestion was made for contractors to start working on docks that do not have problems and work toward A & B docks to avoid too much inconvenience to patrons. Ultimately, the contractor will make the decision. The question arose on what the club could do to stop the contractors from taking out the concrete post intended to be replaced by plastic posts as the electric wiring goes under the dock and there is no reason to remove the concrete posts. Josiel responded that the park was attempting to standardize everything throughout all their parks but that all concerns should be voiced by written requests to the park which would be delivered up to park*



*management. Members were encouraged to send their comments to [svazque@miamidade.gov](mailto:svazque@miamidade.gov). It was suggested that we not duplicate what was done at Black Point, as their renovations did not hold up during a hurricane. It was also suggested that we talk to folks at Black Point who had several and similar issues and Bayfront Park could learn from them. A concern was voiced that we discuss issues at Bayfront Park, not Black Point. Josiel advised that work would not begin until letters are sent out to boat owners so they can prepare for this process. Dock boxes will also have to be moved. It is recommended that marina patrons submit their concerns, suggestions, recommendations in writing to Josiel and/or Steve and they will take it from there as the club had very good relationships with the Bayfront Park Marina Management, and were reminded to be careful what we ask for (referencing electric meters).*

**Meeting Place:** *Commodore Charlene introduced the restaurant's new Food and Beverage Manager. He advised the members that he would do the best job possible for the club. The Redlands Country Club would be implementing in January Sunday Brunches and Dinners in February. Hot items would be picked up in the kitchen, which is fun – the reasoning for this is that when hot items are picked up in the kitchen, the kitchen will be maintained spotless. This practice has been successfully tested before. He hopes that members will keep them in mind for all our events. He advised that perhaps one day when he has saved up enough money he might be able to buy a dinghy, put it on our docks, and become a member of the club.*

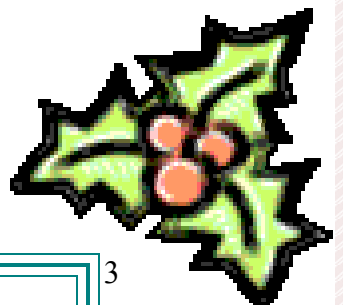
**Minutes of the November meeting:** *There were some problems with the minutes of the November meeting when published in the newsletter. A motion was made by Ted Newlan and seconded by the majority to accept the minutes as written.*

**Treasurer's report for Month Ending November 2006**

<b>Month Ending November 2006</b>	
<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>\$6,104.27</b>
<b>Income:</b>	
Dues	420.00
Total	420.00
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Card Point w/BPYC	100.00
<b>Ending Balance November 30, 2006</b>	<b>\$6,424.27</b>

*Note: The November Event cost HYC \$100 with 16 members attending. Sharon noted that the ending balance is big, but that is because 2007 dues are coming in and we have the Change of Watch.*

*Sharon Roesch  
Treasurer*



**November Event** with Black Point & Matheson Yacht Club was great fun. There was and at least 8 bags of garbage picked up off the beach and burned. Walter and Anita were mentioned. Unfortunately, they were unable to stay, beintroducted, but they are interested in joining the club, and Dwayne will get an application out to them.

**Membership:** Dwayne mentioned that the club had 60 new members. Members rejoining the club can go to [Homesteadyachtclub.com](http://Homesteadyachtclub.com), print their application form, and mail that along with their dues to Dwayne ASAP, so that the 2007 Club Roster can be completed.

**Park Update:** Buzz Strandhagen pointed out that in order to get what we want from the Park we need to speak as one voice. Your comments/suggestions on park enhancements should be sent to [svazquez@miamidade.gov](mailto:svazquez@miamidade.gov).

**Club Roster:** Sandy Zinn advised members should take this opportunity when mailing in their 2007 applications to update their contact/boat information. After the roster is printed, there is no way to update it and the club prints the roster only once per year.

**Ship's Store:** There is a 15% off the inventory tonight so get your Christmas shopping here. Linda Johnson has volunteered to help with the Ship's store going forward. Commodore Charlene advised the members that the best way for new members to get to know everyone is to volunteer and thanked Elizabeth for doing such a good job with the Ship's Store.

**Sunshine Committee:** Jan Meyer advised that everyone was healthy and happy. Peter Dean was happy to announce that Teresa had been given a clean bill of health this week, and there was a round of cheers and applause for Teresa.

**December 16 Club Event:** The Christmas Boat Parade at Key Largo is the December event. Dwayne advised that reservations had been made for 6 boats at the Anchorage so far. They also have rooms at \$140.00 - \$150 per night and that perhaps some slips remain available. If you are interested in obtaining a reservation at the anchorage, give Dwayne a call. Cost is \$2.50 a foot at Gilberts as well as rooms available. Attending are Art and Maria Muina, Ted Newlan and Dee Riley, Larry and Sharon Roesch, Mario and Sonia Espineira, and Dwayne and Charlene Powell. Members who cannot go by boat are welcome to drive down and join the club for the festivities; there are rooms available at the Anchorage. The plan is for everyone to make their favorite Chili/Chowder to share, and watch the parade at Key Largo together.

**Change of Watch:** will be at the Redlands Golf and Country Club. Cost will be \$30.00 per person, serving prime rib and a fancy chicken and promises to be a cut above what we normally got at previous change of watch events. There will be a 2 hour open bar – 1<sup>st</sup> hour from 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Dinner will be served at 8:00 p.m. Next open bar is from 9:00 – 10:00 p.m. After 10:00, members must pay for their drinks. A different DJ was hired. Larry and Sharon both need to enjoy the evening as well which is why Larry is not the music man this time around. Checks need to be mailed to Sharon well in advance to get a good count.

**January 2007 meeting:** *There will be no January meeting next year, the Commodore's Ball is considered out meeting. The first meeting in 2007 will be held on the first Monday of February with new Commodore, George Mayer.*

**New Bridge:** *George Mayer introduced the 2007 Bridge:*

<b>Commodore</b>	<i>George Mayer</i>
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	<i>Mario Espineira</i>
<b>Treasurer</b>	<i>Sharon Roesch</i>
<b>Secretary</b>	<i>Annabelle McDermot</i>

**Committees:** *Sunshine: Jan Meyer;*  
*Ship's Store: Linda Johnson, with Elizabeth's continued help;*  
*Membership: Dwayne Powell;*  
*Park Liaison: Buzz Strandhagen*  
*Newsletter: Anna Perez-Giuliani*

**50/50:** *Won by Ted Newlan.*

*There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.*

*Respectfully*  
*Annabelle McDermot*  
*Secretary*



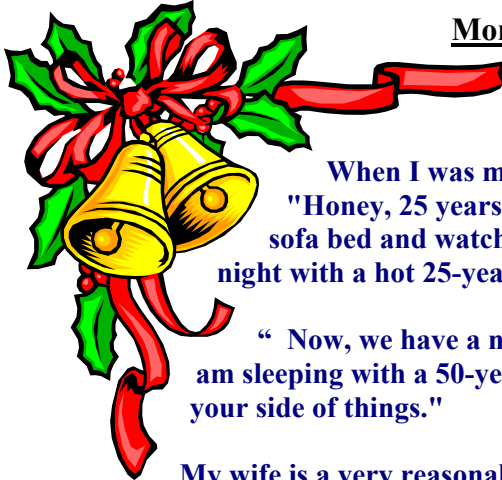
***The December outing is the Christmas Parade at Key Largo on December 16.*** Dwayne Powell has reserved eight boats slip at the Anchorage. Jan Mayer advises that we will share soup, chowder, and/or chili that evening.

**The following numbers are provided for your future use.**

**Marina Tel: 305.230.3033 Pager: 305.881.6417**  
**Analog Tel: 305.230.0291 (During power failures only!)**

**After hours security guard's telephone number is 305.272.0800 and for the "Front gate" press 01#; For "A" Dock, press 11# ; For "B" Dock press 33#; For "C" dock press 44#, For "D" dock press 55# and for the Dry Storage area press 66# or for the Bait and Tackle Shop press 77#.**

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Moment of the day

Older Women

When I was married 25 years, I took a look at my wife one day and said, "Honey, 25 years ago, we had a cheap apartment, a cheap car, slept on a sofa bed and watched a 10-inch black and white TV, but I got to sleep every night with a hot 25-year-old blonde."

" Now, we have a nice house, nice car, big bed, and plasma screen TV, but I am sleeping with a 50-year-old woman. It seems to me that you are not holding up your side of things."

My wife is a very reasonable woman. She told me to go out and find a hot 25-year-old blonde, and she would make sure that I would once again be living in a cheap apartment, driving a cheap car, sleeping on a sofa bed and watching a 10-inch black and white TV.

Aren't older women great? They really know how to solve your mid-life crisis.

Quote of the Day

*Life isn't like a box of chocolates . . . It's more like a jar of jalapenos.  
What you do today, might burn your butt tomorrow.*

*And...*

**"GOOD MORNING, WELCOME TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA."  
"Press '1' if you speak English."  
"Press '2' to disconnect until you can"**

***Worlds Shortest Fairytale***

***Once upon a time, a girl asked a guy, "Will you marry me?"  
The guy said "No" and the girl lived happily ever after and went shopping, drank martinis with friends, always had a clean house, never had to cook, had a closet full of shoes and handbags, stayed skinny, and was never farted on.  
The end.***



*Another Paddy Day...*

*Paddy staggered home very late after another evening with his drinking Buddy, Mick. He took off his shoes to avoid waking his wife, Brigid. He tiptoed as quietly as he could toward the stairs leading to their upstairs bedroom, but misjudged the bottom step. He caught himself by grabbing the banister, but his*

*body swung around and he landed heavily on his rump. The Irish whisky bottles in each hip pocket shattered and made the landing especially painful. Managing not to yell, Paddy lurched himself upright, pulled down his pants, and looked in the hall mirror to see that his butt was all cut up and bleeding. He managed to quietly find a full box of Band-Aids in the downstairs bathroom and began putting a Band-Aid as best he could on each place he saw blood. He then hid the now almost empty Band-Aid box, shuffled, and stumbled upstairs to bed.*

*In the morning, Paddy woke up with searing pain in both his head and butt and Brigid staring at him from across the room. She said, "You were drunk again last night weren't you Paddy?" Paddy replied, "Why do you say such a cruel, mean thing?" "Well," Brigid said, "it could be the open front door, it could be the broken glass at the bottom of the stairs, it could be the drops of blood trailing through the house, it could be your bloodshot eyes, but mostly... it's all those Band-Aids stuck on the hall mirror."*

*Remember that the HYC meets every first Monday of each Month at the Redland County Club from 6:30 PM until 9:00 PM. The Redland Country Club is located at 24451 Krome Avenue (177<sup>th</sup> Avenue) in Homestead, FL, Telephone: 305.247.8503. You should meet and greet new members and speak to all members in a courteous manner.*

*Please welcome everyone to be part of the club.*

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