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The Nauti News

Homestead Yacht Club

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Our 23rd Year of Boating Fun

Memories of Christmas Past

In December 2001, the Linda-C-Too, with many HYC members on board, won the Grand Prize in the Key Largo Christmas Boat Parade. The following photos are from the front page of the January 2002 Nauti News:

Grand Prize Winner



HYC entry, Linda-C-Too, wins the Key Largo boat parade



Captain Bill Clemons receiving Grand Prize award

Commodore's Comments

Hello Everyone:

I hope that everyone has had a very Happy Holiday Season. Since this is the last Newsletter of the year, I thought it only fitting to thank everyone who made 2009 a success. Our Vice Commodore Ray Vega, who not only assisted me throughout the year, but put on a nice event at Plantation Yacht Harbor. Our Treasurer Dee Riley, who not only kept our money in order, but also put on a great event at Coconuts. Our Secretary, Claire Strandhagen, who kept our records in great shape and helped us plan some nice events. Our Membership Chairman Dwayne Powell, who brought in some new members and sponsored a nice event at the Marina. Our Roster chairperson, Sandy Zinn who has always done an outstanding job for many years. Bill Zinn our Newsletter Editor, who continues to make our Newsletters very bright and informative. Our Telephone Coordinator, Liz Phillips, who spends a lot of time every month keeping track of all of us, to be sure we are informed of meetings. Our Sunshine Person Jan Mayer, who always spreads cheer to those of us who sometimes get under the weather. Last but not least, Buz Strandhagen our Park Liaison, who for many years has tried to keep good communication between our Club and the Marina. Most of all, you our valued members, who come to the meetings, chair events, and participate to make our club fun and enjoyable. It has been a privilege and a pleasure to lead Homestead Yacht Club for 2009. With your help and support we will make 2010 even better. I hope to see many of you at Art and Leslie Thornton's for New Years Eve. Please don't forget about letting me know if you are coming to our Change of Watch – Commodore's Ball on January 16, 2010. Happy 2010 !



Larry Roesch

Editor's Notes

During the recent Turkey Fry event, I heard someone telling one of our newer members about the time the HYC entry won the Key Largo boat parade. That made me realize that there are many newer members who don't know about and many older members who have forgotten about some of the memorable fun things the Club has done in the past. So... for this edition of the Newsletter I went back and dug out the photos from the 2001 boat parade. In the future I will try to periodically include in the Newsletter, a photo or two from a past event (is that really us, did we really look like that, etc).

This Newsletter includes two Treasurer's reports. That will correct my goof of last month.

Bill Zinn, sunbil@aol.com

Meeting Reminder

Because of the Change of Watch event, there will not be a first Monday of the month meeting during January.

Minutes of the HYC Meeting on December 7, 2009

Meeting opened at 7:30 p.m. by Cmdr. Larry.

First speaker of the evening, Dockmaster Mike McCrink. Mike reports that the park had over 300 children for the annual fishing tournament. Maintenance: they are pressure cleaning the docks and cleaning up dry storage. Nothing has been decided on the budget so there are no part time positions open. The county surveyed the docks and decided the following: A dock slips are 40 to 45 feet, B dock 35 feet on west side and 40 on the east side. C, D and E are 30 feet. Only people affected will be on C dock as they are now 35 feet. All slips at the T are larger. Marina patrons will receive a letter soon explaining what has changed.

Motion made and seconded to accept the minutes from last month as they appeared in the newsletter.

Park Liaison: Buz reports seeing three military boats training out of the park.

Treasurer's report: Beginning balance \$4,462.54, ending balance \$4,841.57. Full report can be seen in the newsletter.

November's outing was a great success. Cmdr. Larry thanked Peter Dean for his help, Sharon for injecting the birds with all the flavoring and Jan Mayer for lending all the cooking pots, pans and other necessary items. Chefs did a great job. They had six boats and 38 – 40 people.

Larry says we have a pretty great year planned for next year. Something is planned for every month except July, August and December.

January 16th: Change of Watch: Menu is prime rib or chicken. The cost is \$30.00 for members, \$40.00 for guests. Open bar from 7 to 8:00 p.m. and another after dinner around 9:00 – 10:00. Music and dancing.

February: Peter Dean is hosting the meet and greet cookout in the parking lot at the marina.

March: Dave Giuliani, our new Vice Commodore, will host a brunch at the pavilion.

April: Pontoon boat cruise from Jewfish Creek. Dee Riley and Ted Newlan will host, Cmdr. Larry promises to help.

May: Mario and Sonia Espineira will host a barbeque at their home and a raft up in front of their home.

June: Spaghetti dinner dock party....Vicky Cline will host, claims it's only fitting that an Italian person do so.

July and August: Nothing planned....if you have an idea, let someone on the Bridge know.

September: Carole and Charlie Sammarco will host a Labor Day event at Sunset Harbor Marina.

October: Lisa Vari will host a Halloween Party.

November: Another turkey cookout. Details to follow.

Vicky Cline suggested we do an event at Pier 66 and if so, she will make the arrangements.

Guests: Lisa Vari had friends Andy and Pam from her HOG group (Harley Owners Group). Bob Klipp's guest was Karen Sutton.

Sunshine Committee: Jan Mayer reports that all is well and requests that we give her a call if we know someone is ill.

Membership: Dwayne Powell reported new members Omar and Magali Soto. He said we had 45 members for 2009 and so far 13 renewals for 2010. He requests that you go to the web site and print out new membership forms as the old ones are "tattered and torn". He even badgered (threatened) me into filling out a NEW one.

We are inviting the Black Point Group to our change of watch event. They will pay guest rate unless they elect to join the Club. A written invitation will be extended to them.

Our telephone coordinator, Liz Phillips is doing a great job sending out the e-mails for the meetings. Please respond with a yea or nay.

Art Thornton went over plans for the New Year's Eve Garden Party at his home. He and Leslie handed out flyers and gave instructions for parking cars in the neighborhood. Sounds like a great time will be had by all.

50/50 of \$39.00 won by Vicky Cline.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Claire Strandhagen, secretary.

Did You Know..

Did you know that you can be fined \$250 for releasing more than nine lighter-than-air balloons within a 24 hour period. According to a recent *Southern Boating* article, that is what Florida Statute 379.233 says. The balloon material and the string pose a threat to wildlife, especially turtles and birds, and thus this law was enacted.

TREASURER'S REPORTS

HOMESTEAD Bay front YACHT CLUB

BEGINNING BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 2009: 4608.24

INCOME :

50/50	35.00	
Ships Store	30.00	
Octoberfest Event	130.00	
2010 Dues	80.00	
Total:		275.00

EXPENSES :

Meeting room fee	100.00	
Octoberfest Event	320.70	
Total:		420.70

ENDING BALANCE OCTOBER 31, 1009: 4462.54

SUBMITTED BY: Dee Riley, TREASURER

Note: The October Event was attended by 24 members and 5 guests. The cost to the club was \$190.70.

BEGINNING BALANCE NOVEMBER 1, 2009: 4462.54

INCOME :

50/50	46.00	
DUES	778.00	
Turkey Fry	195.00	
Total:		1019.00

EXPENSES :

Meeting room fee	100.00	
Turkey Fry	177.47	
COW DJ	351.00	
Vice Comm. Flag	11.50	
Total:		639.97

ENDING BALANCE NOVEMBER 30, 2009: 4841.57

SUBMITTED BY: Dee Riley, TREASURER

Note: The November event was attended by 32 members and 6 guests. Income to the club was \$17.53.

*Homestead Yacht Club
Annual Change of Watch - Commodore's Ball*

*Saturday January 16, 2010
Redland Golf and Country Club
24451 SW 177 Ave
Homestead, FL 33031*

Cocktails 7PM Dinner 8PM

*Lobster Bisque Salad
Prime Rib or Chicken Wellington
Baked Potato Broccoli with Béarnaise
Peach Cobbler*

*Open bar 7 - 8 pm & 9 pm - 10 pm
Cash Bar after 10 pm*

*Music from 7pm to 11pm by
Social Expressions*

*Members \$30.00 per person (all inclusive)
Guests \$40.00 per person (all inclusive)*

*Reservations due by January 9, 2010
Advanced purchase only*

*Send Check payable to HYC
Sharon Roesch
17330 SW 246 St
Homestead FL, 33031
Please select prime rib or chicken*