

The Nauti News

Homestead Yacht Club

Our 16th Year of Boating Fun

Grand Prize Winner



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



Captain Bill Clemons receiving Grand Prize award

Commodore's Letter

We really enjoyed the Key Largo boat parade this year. The weather was a little chilly, but that only enhanced the Christmas spirit. Once again, we took advantage of the Kline's hospitality and converged on their dock for a catered dinner. As Dianne always does, she added a few of her own touches, such as homemade fudge, Christmas cookies, and some snacks.

Following dinner, all who wanted to ride on Bill's boat proceeded there. The elves and dressed in their finest, fortified themselves with a touch of the bubbly, and were ready for "show time". Bill outdid himself on the boat, the elves overcame the cold weather, and Santa ho, ho, ho'd at the right moments. It must have worked, because Bill not only won most colorful boat, but GRAND PRIZE. How fun is that. Thanks for all of your hard work Bill we were able to have our 15 minutes of fame.

Please send your checks to Larry and Sharon Roesch as soon as possible so they can get a final count for Change of Watch. We have the usual open bar, live band, and superb dinner planned, plus a surprise or two. This is always a good event, as the outgoing Commodore is clicking his heels, and the incoming Commodore is anxious to take the helm. We also dress up in our best finery, which doesn't necessarily mean we act like dressed up adults, but we try.

This is my last official letter to you all as Commodore. I have enjoyed working and playing with all of you, and want to thank each and every one of you for all of

your support and hard work to make

sure that each event was a success. You made my job easy. Now, HERESSSS BOB.



Commodore Ted

Next Club Meeting/Event

Because the annual Change of Watch is scheduled for January 19th, there will NOT be the usual first Monday of the month club meeting on the 7th. See full details of the Change of Watch later in this newsletter and please plan to attend, it is always a great event.

Boat Parade Winner

Key Largo, Fl - The Linda-C-Too, representing the Homestead Yacht Club, captured two prizes in the Key Largo Christmas boat parade, including to coveted Grand Prize. At the award ceremony at Gilberts, Captain Bill Clemons received the most colorful boat award, as well as the Grand Prize award for best boat in the parade. In keeping with the theme of the parade, From Sea to Shining Sea, the boat was decorated with a large American Flag as well as swimming manatees and dolphins pulling dinghy. A team of naughty elves danced on the bow, waved to the crowds, and swayed in unison to Gob Bless the USA as the vessel passed the judge's Congratulations to Bill and Linda. Also, thanks to Santa Ted, coordinator Jan and to DJ Larry, who provided the sound system that had the crowds on shore cheering and swaying to our music.

Editor's Note

Hopefully everyone is adjusting well to the new electronic version of the Newsletter. We are still sending out 18 printed copies to people who are having problems with the electronic version or who do not have an email address. If you are one of these people and you find that you no longer need the printed version, please let us know.

Thanks to Steve Bell and Larry Roesch for providing photos from the boat parade event for inclusion in the newsletter and/or the photoisland web site.

Bill Zinn sunbil@aol.com

A Special Thanks

On December 3rd, our 27 year old son, Ian, drowned while fishing at the Channel 5 bridge in the Keys. like would to express thanks and appreciate to everyone and for your concern sympathy what during was, for us, unbelievable period. And, special thank you to Bill Brooker for taking us out on his boat to take part in the search.

Bill and Sandy Zinn

Sunshine News

Foot injuries seem to be prevalent among our club members recently. Angie Ficken fractured her foot during a fall at work. We wish her a speedy recovery.

New Members

Please add the following new members to your club rosters:

Kevin and Wendy McHale 16602 SW 78 Court, Miami, Fl 33157 305-235-2999 9horizon@bellsouth.net Vessel: "Little Monster" in C-27 at Black Point

Benjamin and Anna Mantilla 14841 SW 157 Ter, Miami, Fl 33187 305-251-5039 unitedfcc@aol.com Vessel: "Make it Happen" in 26C at Homestead Bayfront

Minutes of Last Meeting

Cmdr. Ted Newlan called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m on Monday, December 3, 2001.

The minutes from last month's meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer's report: Read by Dick Kline, reported a balance of \$3501.70. A refund from Holiday Isle was added of \$178.17. Dues for next year's membership were collected and totaled \$480.00. The November 50/50 added \$60.00. Expenses included the News Letter at \$62.61. Members were reminded that they will be charged for "no shows" at the monthly meeting which cost the club \$156.00. Please see Barb Kelly with a check for those six members who did not attend or pay. The Thanksgiving Outing expenses were \$178.16 leaving the club with a balance of \$3934.10

Newsletter - Bill Zinn

Bill was absent, but it was reported that the newsletter being sent by e-mail was a great success and it has saved the club a great deal of money.

Park Liaison, - Buz Strandhagen Buzz was absent from the meeting. No news items were reported.

Ship's Store – Art and Maria Muina Please get gifts for Christmas as the Ship's Store has plenty of new inventory. Please come early to meetings and shop before and after business and dinner are concluded.

Membership – Bill Clemons Please get your 2002 membership dues paid A.S.A.P.

Sunshine Committee – Lynn Sinnamon Two of our members are recovering from foot injuries. Denyse Lawrence fractured her foot and was navigating on crutches. Linda Clemons was recovering from a toe injury. Telephone Coordinator – Barb Kelly

Barb reported there were four no shows.

New Business:

The Key Largo Christmas Parade will be held on December 22nd. Bill Clemons has been busy readying his boat and hopes to win again this year. Members are welcome aboard for the parade. Jan Mayer said "elves" will be sexy this year. Members were advised the best anchorage for viewing the parade would be 200 feet offshore of Sundowner's Restaurant.

The annual Change of Watch Ball will be held on January 19, 2002. Please send checks for reservations to Larry and Sharon Roesch.

Old Business

Thanksgiving - Fried turkeys were canceled. Commodore Ted Newlan gave a brief report on the Thanksgiving event held in Ft. Lauderdale. The Sammarcos came on their boat and invited some members to the Ft. Lauderdale Yacht Club for dinner and dancing. The Bells hosted a lunch of margaritas and fajitas.

The 50-50 of \$67.00 was won by Peter Dean.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Submitted by Teresa Dean for Claire Strandhagen

Membership Renewal

If you have not yet renewed your membership, please do so as soon as possible. The next newsletter will be sent only to members who have renewed. Also, the new club rosters will be printed in mid January and will list only those who have renewed as of that time. If you have questions contact Bill Clemons at 305-230-0262.

Key Largo Boat Parade Event



Enjoying food & drinks at the Klines



The Elves keeping Santa warm.

Additional photos have been posted to the Photo Island web site.

To view the photos go to: www.photoisland.com

Enter Guest Log in ID: sunbil and Password: hyc

Then select "Boat Parade" from the list of albums.



ANNUAL CHANGE OF WATCH

Dinner Dance January 19, 2002



Redland Golf and Country Club 24451 SW 177 Avenue Homestead, FL

Menu

Lobster Bisque
Herb Roasted Prime Rib of Beef
Or
Chicken Wellington
Caesar Salad
Twice Baked Potato
Fresh Green Beans
Mini French Baguettes and Butter
Assorted Cheesecakes

Cocktails (Open Bar) 7 PM
Dinner 8 PM
Open Bar 9 PM to 10 PM
Cash Bar 10 PM to Midnight

Dancing to the BACKBEATS

(Same as last year)

\$40.00 per member \$50.00 per guest

Make Checks Payable to Homestead Yacht Club Send to Larry Roesch 17330 SW 246 St. Homestead, FL 33031 All reservations must be <u>prepaid</u> by Jan 10, 2001 Indicate your choice of Beef or Chicken

