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The Nauti News

Homestead Yacht Club

Our 17th Year of Boating Fun

Happy New Year

Change of Watch January 18th

The first major event of 2003 for the Homestead Yacht Club will be the Change of Watch on January 18th at the Redland Country Club. At that time our new Commodore Bill Clemons, and his bridge members, will assume leadership of our club. That will be followed by a fun evening of dancing and merriment. Of course there will also be an outstanding sit down dinner of either prime rib or chicken with all the fixings. This year the cost is being significantly subsidized by the club and each member will have to pay only \$16.00. Make your reservations and food preferences with Carol Timmons at 305-254-7663 or carols_crew@adelphia.net prior to January 11th. Payment checks should also be mailed to Carol prior to the 11th at: 21333 SW 94 Court, Miami, Fl 33189.

No Club Meeting on January 6th

Because of the above mentioned Change of Watch, there will not be a "first Monday of the month" meeting of the Club in January.

It is Membership Renewal time again

For just \$60, you can have another year of boating related fun with the Homestead Yacht Club. Please get your dues in now so that you can be included in the new rosters for 2003. Membership renewal forms are available at the Club web site, www.homesteadyachtclub.com. Please fill the form out completely and mail it, along with your check, to our new membership chairperson, George Mayer at: 23405 SW 152 Ct, Homestead, Fl 33032-2007

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PROPOSED 2003 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

The following tentative schedule of events is provided by our new Commodore Bill Clemons. If you would like to add something to the schedule or can volunteer to assist with any of the events, please let Commodore Bill know.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>CHAIR</u>
18 Jan	Change of Watch	Redland Country Club	Bob & Carol Timmons
15 Feb	Boat Show Weekend	Sunset Harbor	TBA
15 March	Get Away Party	Boca Cheta	Bill & Sandy Zinn
19 April	Tin City Trip	Naples Fl	George & Annie McDermot
24 May	Memorial Day	Bahia Mar	TBA
14 June	Fishing Tournament	Homestead	TBA
21 June	Fish Fry	Dock Party	TBA
3-6 July	Bimini Beach Club	Bimini	Heroildo & Adia Geronimo
9 Aug	Raft up & Dinner	No Name Harbor	TBA
29 Aug- 1 Sept	Labor Day Trip	Hawks Cay	Bill & Linda Clemons
18 Oct	October Fest	Homestead	TBA
29 Nov	Holiday Trip	Bayside	TBA
20 Dec	Xmas Parade raft up	Key Largo	Bill, Linda & All HYC members
Jan 2004	Change of Watch	TBA	TBA

THE KEY LARGO CHRISTMAS PARADE

It was a cold, dark and stormy night and a brave few went to sea to bring lights to Key Largo. I know it sounds like every story you ever heard but just ask Bob Cowan how cold it was. There wasn't much of a turn out for the HYC group, but Lee made some great Chili to keep us all warm and after the normal confusion of trying to get every body lined up we were off. A few of the smaller boats dropped out at the beginning because of taking on water from the rough conditions others dropped out after one pass of the

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Sundowners when they lost their decorations. I think that was what made the Linda C Too win the most colorful prize, even though I didn't put up half the lights due to a late start in decorating.

Thanks to the few, the brave, the strong (spirits that is) it was another successful event for the Homestead Yacht Club. Bill Clemons (Linda C too)

Minutes of December Club Meeting

Commodore Bob Timmons called the meeting of the Homestead Bayfront Yacht Club to order at 7:40 p.m on December 8, 2002.

The minutes from last month's meeting were accepted as printed in the newsletter.

Jan Mayer presented the treasurer's report for December, which showed an ending balance of \$5,551.07. She reported the following income for December: 50/50 November \$40.00; Dues \$540.00; Thanksgiving \$105.00 Expenses for December were \$92.00 for Thanksgiving.

Bill Zinn, newsletter Editor, reported that membership forms are available on the web site.

Park Liaison Buzz reported that the Homestead Bayfront Marina is full and there is a six month waiting list for slips.

Bill Clemens reported only seventeen members have renewed their membership for next year. Please pick up a form or go online to get one. He also stated that he had decorated his boat for the Key Largo boat parade on December 14th and that elves are needed.

Sunshine Committee Chair Monica Adams was absent. Jan Mayer mentioned that Charlene Powell had surgery. Please call or e-mail Monica with any news.

Ship's Store Manager Chuck Burnitz reported that new hats are available for \$12.00.

Carol Timmons, our temporary telephone coordinator, had nothing new to report.

New Business:

Jan and George Mayer were commended for doing an outstanding job with the Thanksgiving celebration held at the Pilot House in Key Largo. Thanks for another great event!

The Change of Watch will be held at the Redland Country Club on January 18, 2003. Larry Roesch volunteered to serve as D.J. for the evening. The cost per member will be \$16.00 and checks should be sent to Carol Timmons by January 11th. Please indicate your dinner choice of either prime rib or chicken. Dee Riley asked for volunteers to create centerpieces for each table. There will be a prize awarded for the most creative centerpiece. Festivities will begin at 8:00 with the passing of the flag to the new commodore. Should be another fun event.

Bill Clemons requested that volunteers stay after the Club meeting to discuss the chairing of events for the upcoming year.

Each couple had been asked to bring a \$13.00 wrapped gift to the meeting and a drawing was held to distribute them. The gifts were enjoyed by all who participated in the drawing.

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Bill Zinn won the 50-50 of \$42.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m. so everyone could get home to watch the Dolphins game.

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Dean, Secretary

Memories of 2002

Following is a photo recap of Club events during 2002



January - Change of Watch



February - Dock Party



March - St Patrick's Day



April - Pilot House Marina

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May - Coral Ridge Yacht Club



June - Marina Del Mar



July - Bahamas



August - Alabama Jack's



September - Hawk's Cay



October - Oktoberfest at the Marina

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November - Thanksgiving Turkey Fry in Key Largo

Renew your Membership
and enjoy more fun events during 2003

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Supplement One

Editor's Note: Due to the Holidays, this newsletter was put together in sort of a catch-as-catch-can manner. For this reason, the following Commodore's Letter wound up at the end rather than the beginning of the letter.

Commodore's Letter

Well, here we are at the end of another year. Out with the old and in with the new! The past year has gone by much faster than you might think 365 days should take. There were only good times and even better times.

I'd like to say Thank You to the entire bridge and staff of HYC for the help that has been rendered during the past year - Dick & Jan & Teresa & Buzz & Carol & Barb & Monica & Bill & Bill & Sandy & Chuck & Dodi have all been great. The vice commodore made sure there was enough vice, the treasurer kept us solvent, the secretary gave us the official (only partially censored) version of the parties we attended, the shopkeepers sold merchandise, the newsletter was delivered thru snow and hail and sleet, the sick were administered to, the phone calls were dialed, and the marina was buzzed.

The other folks who deserve a VERY honorable mention are those that chaired the events during the course of the year - Bill & Linda, Mario & Sonia, Art & Maria, Lance & Phyllis, George & Annabelle, Dick & Diane, Bob & Lee, Charlie & Carol, George & Jan, Ralph & Linda, Steve & Charlotte. The officers of an organization can only do so much, it's the involvement of all members that makes any club really work - and this is what makes HYC the best! Best of all, incoming Commodore Bill has a full slate of events planned for 2003, so the beat goes on!

Final odds & ends - (1) Boat show alert!! Miami Boat Show is Feb 15-19. Shop early, shop often and buy lots of big toys. (2) the Change of Watch Dinner Dance is scheduled for January 18th at the Redland Country Club in Homestead. Cost is sixteen bucks a head - more detail elsewhere in this newsletter.

From both Carol & myself, I extend to every member of the club a sincere thank you for the honor and the opportunity to be your Commodore for the past year. It's been a truly rewarding experience. We'll still be around, doing what all past commodores in all yacht clubs do best.....sipping margaritas and offering advice.

Until then, keep the wind at your back!!

Commodore Bob