

The Nauti News



Homestead Yacht Club

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Our 20th Year of Boating Fun



FROM YOUR COMMODORE

Charlene Powell

The Adam's Key outing was awesome thanks to the many helping hands of the members; we not could have done it without you. Everyone dug in with team and membership spirit and really put things together. Thanks to George McDermott and Derek Boos our hamburger "chefs", and to Ted Newland and Bob Deanne who were our hot dog and sausage "chefs" and to the members for the delicious food, and to our "dingy drivers" who transported members who could not get to the docks (the docks were FULL of HYC members!). We had 36 in attendance and 4 more who arrived a little too late. The day was perfect and Adams Key was a great place for an outing, everyone enjoyed it.

The evening proved to be perfect for the anchor out afterwards at Elliott Key with almost all the boats. Thanks to Leslie Thornton for helping me with the shopping, they were unable to fulfill their hosting duties due to the death of Art's mother. Art, everyone really enjoyed Adam's Key.

Our next event will be a raft-up at Blackwater Sound on April 7 & 8 with hor's oduerves and dinner at Sundowners (plan to be there for sunset). Bob and Lois Deanne and Herolido and Aida Geronimo will be the hosts for this event.

I would like you to take a moment to remember all the members who have lost loved ones during this past month. Say a prayer for Jerry and Charlotte Burgess who are going some very tough obstacles. I wish you all strength.

Have a great month with lots of happy boating days.

Charlene Powell, Commodore
Homestead Yacht Club
Miami, FL

Money will buy a fine dog but only kindness will make him wag his tail!



**HOMESTEAD YACHT CLUB
GENERAL MEETING**

Monday, March 6, 2006

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The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.
 Commodore Charlene thanked everyone for attending.

Treasurer’s report – Month ending February 28, 2006

Beginning Balance		<u>\$4,775.38</u>
Income:		
Dues	\$120.00	
50/50 (at Picnic)	87.50	
Store 189.50+ 365.00	554.50	
Picnic in the Parking Lot	368.00	
Valentines Dance	<u>540.00</u>	
Total	<u>\$1,670.00</u>	
Expenses:		
Picnic in the Park (Roesch)	\$ 199.84	
Adams Key Rental	100.00	
Sunshine – Deane	40.66	
Valentines Dance	540.00	
	<u>880.50</u>	
Ending Balance February 28, 2006		<u>\$5,564.50</u>

Dock Master: On hearing the blond joke at the beginning of the meeting, Steve indicated he did not care – that Sharon was the best blond cookie maker there is.

- Social Calendar: The Homestead Marina and Park are hosting a get together of patrons, April 22 at 4:00 p.m. to 8:00p.m. Invitation will be in the mail and marina patrons must RSVP so the park knows how many to prepare for.
- The Electric and water work contracted for the docks will be completed on time. It takes 437 days for the total upgrade. Wireless will not happen.
- By year 2007, Homestead Marina and Park will be operating as a “clean” marina and park. At the fuel dock, patrons will now have to hold the nozzle when fueling their boats. Larry Roesch asked if Steve could get faster pumps because it was difficult for someone to hold the nozzle while putting in 500 gallons of fuel. Steve said he was looking into this, had made an appointment with a company but they did not show up. He will continue his research. George Mayer asked about the price of the fuel at Cole’s advising that when the price of fuel goes up, so does the price at Cole’s, but when the price dropped, the price at Cole’s did not go down. Steve informed that Cole charges the price on the fuel according to how much he pays for it, until that supply is depleted, and there are times when the fuel lasts beyond the date prices go down, and he has to still charge what he paid. Steve indicated he would see what he could do about this in the next month or so. The question of whether or not marina patrons could bring fuel in by truck, which was much cheaper, was raised by Stan Scherer. Steve responded that Parks and Receptions would not allow that. Stan asked if it was possible to bid on that function but Steve responded that the bids had already been closed and a decision was pending. He stressed that we could not bring fuel trucks in because it was not allowed by Risk Management due to the exposure and liability and this was part of our lease. George Meyer asked if the lease terms could be changed but Steve said no. Bill Clemmons asked if the marina could get Bio diesel, which was cheaper, but Steve indicated it boils down to the fact that fiberglass tanks are disintegrated quickly and can blow up. He has been checking with Marinas in the North East and we are not ready for this type of diesel. It works well with newer boats with stainless/aluminum tanks but not with older boats.

- Steve further reminded members of the Blue Water Fishing Classic that was presented by Miami Dade Parks on Saturday June 10, 2006, that brochures on this event were available by the podium, and he looked forward to HYC participation as a club.
- Buzz Strandhagen thanked Steve for his hard work, and for the tickets to the Boat Show, which marina patrons received. Steve received a round of applause.

Ship's Store:

- Ship's store had an order for 4 HYC jackets and needed an order for 6 in order to purchase the jackets because they were a special order with a minimum of 6 required. Cost is \$50.00 each with the HYC logo.
- Ship's store did very well on sales last month – see Treasurer's report.

Newsletter:

- Anna Perez-Giuliani was not at the meeting so there was no report on the newsletter.

Telephone committee:

- Susie Snipes and Carol Pinkerton – asked members to respond to her e-mails. Otherwise, all was ok.
- Carol Pinkerton received her Club Burgee from Commodore Charlene – now the “Call Girl” burgee.

Club Roster: Sandy Zinn advised the 2006 Club Rosters were available. She had delivered many prior to the meeting. Additional copies were available at a price of \$2.00 each. Members were asked to inform her of any changes. Sandy received a big round of applause for excellent work over the past 8 years of publishing the Club Roster.

Web Site: Larry Roesch advised that he had placed a Member list on the Web Site. If members wanted to send an e-mail to someone all they needed to do was click on the boat name, which was tied to the e-mail address, and the e-mail would go out. A list of the current bridge was uploaded on the web site, as well as a list of the 2006 events, found on the front page, which would have all the information on each event (current).

Sunshine Committee: Jan Meyer informed the list was long. Jerry Burgess was fighting cancer and is in the VA hospital. Angie Ficken had her foot operated on and was getting better. Following club members lost loved ones: Peter Dean – father, Clair Strandhagen – brother, Sonia Espinera – father, Art Thornton – mother, and Barbara Herber – father. Teresa Dean was not very well. Harry Ike had a skin graph and they hope they can reverse his illness. Please keep these members in your prayers and reach out to them. Otherwise, most of our membership was healthy.

Membership: Dwayne Powell advised that as of this meeting, the Club had 53 memberships. Four new members were welcomed. They are Kent and Linda Johnson, and Al and Lorna Hawkins. Several members who did not rejoin update: Thomas Lunch had relocated. Tom and Mary Monaco had relocated to Naples. Several old members did not rejoin. Charlie and Marie Adams sold their boat, Roger and Kathleen North and Rodney and Judy Love all sold their boats and are relocating to central Florida. Other members who did not rejoin were Cliff and Barb Hadden, Charlie and Carole Sammarco, John Seykora, Andy and Janet Fazquez, Hugo and Pauline Diaz, and Bob and Carol Timmons. Members were asked to contact Dwayne if they had news of these members. Rejoining members: Wilfredo and Maritza Padron and Jim Moreau were welcomed back and received their new club burgees.

Events:

- The Meet and Greet event in the Marina parking lot was a great event hosted by Sharon and Larry Roesch. Sharon thanked the cooks, money takers, helpers. The event made money for the club and attracted some new members. There were 75 participants and Sharon made 17 dozen cookies that disappeared quickly.
- Commodore Charlene said the picnic at Adam's key was attended by 35 members and was well received. She thanked all who helped in the absence of Art Thornton who could not attend due to death of his mother. Numerous others helped to make the event a good one by helping to set up, cooking, transporting members to the island, cleaning up afterwards. The Club paid \$100 for the use of the park. Members anchored at Elliott Key afterwards. Larry Roesch presented Ted Newland with a boat part that was lost at Adam's key due to lack of fenders – the part was found by Buzz Strandhagen the following day who went back and dove for it to help out his fellow boater. This demonstrated the kind of help members gave to each other.
- Valentines Day Dance – George Meyer advised over 60 people participated and everyone had a great time. Some great games were played, and Commodore Charlene was asked about color “Nude”.
- April 7 & 8: Blackwater Sound raft-up and dinner at Sundowners. Members can order from the menu and pay their own meal, club will pay for hors o'duerves. Sign up is a must. Members who cannot go by boat could drive down to participate.
- May 5 – 7: Air and Sea Show in Fort Lauderdale hosted by Art and Maria Muina. Dockage at Bahia Mar Marina is \$5.00 per foot with a 40 ft. minimum. If you have a change of heart please advise Art immediately.
- May 28 – 30. Event to be hosted by Bill and Linda Clemons. Details to be provided at the April meeting.
- General Meetings in May and June will be conducted by George Mayer, Vice Commodore since the Powell's will be cruising for about 2 months.
- 50/50 – Bob Cowan informed the purse was \$49. The 50/50 was won by Claire Strandhagen who also won the apron, bucket, and tickets for the next meeting.
- Members were asked to ensure they made reservations for club events and pay ahead of time, and cancel in advance if unable to participate so appropriate arrangements can be made in a timely manner.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m. Motion was made by Ted Newlan and seconded by George McDermot

The Ship's Store was open, with many bargains available.

Secretary
Annabelle McDermot



Air & Sea Show

May 5th, 6th and 7th Air and Sea Show at the Bahia Mar Resort and Marina. HYC had reserved 10 slips in early January and e-mailed all the club members informing them of this event. Slips have been reserved for Gear Up, Instedda, Seaduction, Linda C Too, Cruzana, Rough Riders, Cocoplum, Sharkay, Nicole Rose and MS Addiction. I have a stand-by list for two more vessels if anyone is still interested in securing a slip. More information regarding this activity will be provided in the next newsletter.

Arturo S. Muina

Welcome aboard the following new or returning members!



**Jim & Deb Moreau
Ken & Linda Johnson
Wilfredo & Maritza Padron
Al & Lorna Hawkins**

Our Condolences go out to the following yacht club members who have lost a dear one recently

- Barber Herber's father passed away on February 24.
- Claire Strandhagen's brother passed away a couple of weeks ago.
 - Art Thornton's mother in Texas passed away this week.
- Peter Dean's father in north Florida passed away this week.
 - Sonia Espiniera's father here in Miami passed away.

Please keep these members in your thoughts and prayers.

You might be a Floridian if...

- * *You have more than 20 C and D batteries in your kitchen drawer.*
- * *You flinch when you are introduced to a person named Frances, Ivan, Katrina, Rita, or Wilma.*
- * *You find yourself dropping words like "Millibar" and "Convection" into everyday conversation.*
- * *Your pantry contains more than 10 cans of Spaghetti Os.*
- * *Making coffee on your propane grill does not seem like an odd thing to do.*
- * *You are thinking of repainting your house to match the plywood covering your windows.*

- * *When describing your house to a prospective buyer, you say it has three-bedrooms, two baths, and one safe place.*
- * *You are on a first-name basis with the cashier at Home Depot.*
- * *The road leading to your house has been declared a No-Wake Zone.*
- * *You decide that your patio furniture looks better on the bottom of the pool.*
- * *You have the number for FEMA on your speed dialer.*
- * *You own more than three large coolers.*
- * *You can wish that other people are hit by a hurricane and not feel the least bit guilty about it. (SAD BUT TRUE!!!!)*
- * *Three months ago, you could not hang a shower curtain. Today you can assemble a portable generator by candlelight.*
- * *You catch a 5-pound catfish- In your driveway.*
- * *You can recite from memory whole portions of your homeowner's insurance policy.*
- * *You have had tuna fish more than 5 days in a row.*
- * *You can rattle off the names of three or more meteorologists who work at The Weather Channel.*
- * *Someone comes to your door to tell you they found your roof.*
- * *Relocating to Canada does not seem like such a crazy idea.*

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Quotes of the day

"Don't worry about avoiding temptationas you get older it will avoid you"
~ *Winston Churchill*

"Santa Claus has the right idea ... visit people only once a year"
~ *Victor Borges*

Remember that the HYC meets every first Monday of each Month at the Redland County Club from 6:30 PM until 9:00 PM and that you should meet and greet new members. Speak to all members in a courteous manner and welcome everyone to be part of the club.

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*If your boat has not come in...
Maybe you should swim out to it!*