

March 2012

The Nauti News



Homestead Yacht Club

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Our 27th Year of Boating Fun



HYC Enjoys Jacks



Commodore's Comments

To the HYC membership and friends--

I would like to thank all of you who made it to the Alabama Jacks event that was sponsored by Claire and Buz. We had an excellent turn out and even had some boats show up. That hasn't happened for a while. Maybe we are still a Yacht Club. I think everyone enjoyed themselves and I thanked Claire many times, but she kept saying that it was Buz's idea. Well if thats the truth---then ---thanks Buz--good plan.



Dave G

I look forward to seeing all of you at the next meeting on April 2nd. For those who missed the last one--we have the Capri serving kind of buffet style as they did at the start. It worked much smoother, and everybody kind of ate at the same time. Keep your eyes open for a menu message from Liz and please respond as she asks.

Editor's Notes

This month the Newsletter has been sent to the updated mailing list, containing only the current Club members. Hopefully I got all the addresses copied correctly. Remember, if you want the Newsletter sent to a different address, just let me know and I will make the changes.

Another reminder: If you would like a copy of the Newsletter mailed to you, we will gladly do that however, there is a \$10 a year charge to cover the cost of printing and mailing.

Bill Zinn, Editor, sunbil@bellsouth.net

Minutes of March Club Meeting

Meeting called to order by Cmdr. Dave at 7:10 p.m on March 5, 2012.

Membership: Dwayne reported we still have 17 paid memberships.

Sunshine: Card sent to Mike McCrinkall else seems to be good

Cmdr. Dave reported that we still do not have an opening date for the new Marina restaurant.

Treasurer's Report: Presented by Dee Riley. Beginning balance \$4,679.61, ending balance \$5,401.13. See full report elsewhere in newsletter.

March event: Sign-up sheet passed around for lunch at Alabama Jacks for March 24th. So far, 24 people signed up and sounds like a good time.

April event: Put April 24th on your calendar.

Vice Cmdr. Larson is planning May's event....Cinco de Mayo.....for May 19th.

June: River tour June 9th, departing from Bayside. Details to follow at later date.

50/50 of \$25.00 won by Cmdr. Dave

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m

Respectfully submitted, Claire Strandhagen, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

HOMESTEAD Bay front YACHT CLUB

BEGINNING BALANCE FEBRUARY 1, 2012: 4679.61

INCOME:

Unpaid Dinners	40.00	
Newsletter Postage	10.00	
Dues	800.00	
50/50	26.00	
Guests Feb. event	35.00	
Total		911.00

EXPENSES:

Unpaid Dinners	40.00	
Feb. Event	149.48	
Total		189.48

ENDING BALANCE FEBRUARY 28, 2012: 5401.13

SUBMITTED BY Dee Riley, TREASURER

NOTE: The February event was attended by 17 members and 7 guests. The event cost the club \$114.48.

National Park's No Fishing Plan

According to a report in the *Miami Herald*, the National Park Service has run into some serious opposition to their plan to establish No Fishing zones in Biscayne National Park. The Park claims that the zones are needed to restore a dwindling fish population and to protect endangered reefs. The zones are included in the Park's general management plan which is expected to be completed by the end of the year. Opposition has been raised by three Florida members of Congress (Ros-Lehtinen, Rivera, and Diaz-Balart) and the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). The three Legislators have submitted a letter to the House subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Land requesting an oversight hearing on the Park's plan. The FWC maintains that only the State can impose a No Fishing zone and at present they are not convinced that such zones are necessary. Of course, the Park Service claims that they have the authority to restrict fishing inside the Park. So for now, they have agreed to disagree. The Park is also in the process of reviewing more than 18,000 comments submitted by the public following a series of public hearings held in August of last year. Supposedly the public comments are taken into consideration when their plan is finalized.

Meeting Reminder

Our next monthly meeting will be on April 2nd at the Capri Restaurant



HYC members relaxing at Alabama Jacks

MIAMI RIVER NARRATED TOUR JUNE 9, 2012

Mark your calendar for Saturday, June 9. We will be going on the Miami River Tour narrated by Dr. Paul George. The cost is \$49.00 per person. We will board at Bayside Marketplace at 9:30 a.m. This will be on the Island Queen giving you the option of top deck outdoor seating, or air-conditioned indoor seating. There is a cash bar onboard.

We will return about 12:30 p.m. and enjoy lunch at Bayside. (paid by the club) Cost for guests is \$10pp. You can book anytime by going to:

www.islandqueencruises.com

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Miami River Cruise

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Check June 9 and print your ticket

Bayside is easily accessible on the Metro Rail, or if you prefer to drive., the Bayside parking garage is located behind the Hard Rock Café.

Please call or email Dee Riley when you have your tickets, so we can have a correct count for the restaurant.

We hope to have a big turnout for this event, so book early.