

The Nauti News

Homestead Yacht Club

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Our 22nd Year of Boating Fun



<u>FROM YOUR COMMODORE...</u> <u>David G. Giuliani</u>

A brief note from the Commodore's assistant—

This month has been filled with a "hefty amounts" of incidents at Dave's work. Dave is working and standing by to respond for co-workers that are out with bad backs, broken ankles or away at school. As Dave put it, "It's been hell" but he is currently balancing the stress levels by looking at boats for sale at every available opportunity. As you can see, he is one busy guy!

As the "First Mate", I am covering the Commodore newsletter corner this month and we invite everyone to participate at the next function at Marina Del Mar hosted by Dee Riley and Ted Newlan. This event has all the making of a great place to sit around the pool and do what we do best, talk, drink, laugh and eat! Please join us for a delightful evening of cultivating the sport of relaxing to a new level!

Commodore Dave should be back to fully participating in the Newsletter next month, so be sure to look for his comments. In the mean time, stay safe and see ya!

Anna G. for Dave G.

Please support your new bridge!

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HYC – Monday, April 7, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Dave Giuliani at 7.35 p.m. Motion was made by Dwayne Powell to accept the minutes of the March meeting as written. Motion carried.

Park News:

- Dock Master Steve Vazquez advised "B" dock is completed. The Park is waiting for FPL to hook up the power. Expect to move everyone by the end of this week. If you want to relocate your boat to another location, please let Steve know before the final move. Some docks were still missing pedestal caps and he was working on it.
- He indicated he had no help for the past 5 months but follow up on pending items continue. Walkthrough of the docks indicated that some boats needed to have their lines replaced before the hurricane season started. There will be a meeting at Blackpoint on May 21, 2008 to review hurricane preparedness and HYC was invited. Please RSVP as they will have refreshments. We can always learn something new to protect our boats. At the Hurricane preparedness symposium in Orlando he obtained 3 4 CD's on how to prepare boats for hurricanes and he is willing to share provided the CD's are returned. They have copy rights so should not be copied. Steve also had forms from Boat US to share to be used when marina patrons are going to be out of town we should use these forms when absent so that the Marina can secure our boats if required to do so when we are out of town. The Fishing Tournament this year will include a Ladies Division.

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance in March\$5,848.10Ending Balance in March\$5,199.21The detailed Treasurer's Report will be included in the April 2008 newsletter. The Newsletter will also be posted on the HYC WebSite.

Membership:

Dwayne Powell informed that the club had 42 memberships. If you did not receive a 2008 Directory please see Dwayne Powell or Sandy Zinn. Additional directories can be purchased for \$2.00.

Sunshine Committee:

On behalf of the HYC, Jan Mayer expressed deep sympathy for Bill and Linda Clemons at the loss of their son Brian and a card was sent from the Club. Dee Riley had been in the hospital for 4 days but is feeling better. Dee was in attendance at this meeting. Bill Zinn was also mentioned as battling an illness. Members are asked to keep them in our prayers.

Ship's Store: Linda Johnson had nothing new to report. The inventory was available for purchases.

Club Roster: Sandy Zinn had nothing new to report.

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Web Site: Commodore Dave thanked web master Larry Roesch for the upkeep of a great web site and thanked Larry for his help in keeping it updated. Larry reminded members that the Newsletter is received by him in a PDF format and we can get copies of all our newsletters from the site as far back as 2000. All member's e-mail addresses are on the site as well as upcoming events. Each month the current club event is placed on the front page of the web site so members will have information readily available.

HYC Committee formed to review events spending:

This Committee was formed in March to review best practices for events budget and spending in the absence of any clear guidance in the Club's By-Laws. Members of the Committee are Commodore Dave Giuliani, and volunteers Bill Zinn, Ted Newlan and Ken Johnson. The Committee reviewed by-laws from clubs similar to HYC and found that none of the documents they reviewed addressed club events funding. The Committee found:

- The Executive Committee is responsible for the Club's money (i.e. Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary and Treasurer).
- The review was not intended to come up with guidelines that would restrict the Club's activities.
- It was mentioned that the club should subsidize everything for the Change of Watch. In the past 3 years the club did subsidize this event and we should continue to do that as it was out biggest event.
- There have been club events in the past that cost a lot of money per year (not including the Change of Watch)
- A review of attendance at Club events indicated that if the event was local (i.e. at the Marina, Key Largo etc.) there were between 35-45 people in attendance.
- More distant events dropped to around 20 25 people. We could probably use this information when planning events in the future.

Guidelines:

- All Club events should pay for themselves (be delivered at cost without club subsidy) unless otherwise pre-approved by (a) The Commodore, (b) Executive Committee, (c) and/or voted on by the Membership.

Dwayne Powell made a motion that the Commodore and the Bridge had a budget at the beginning of each year, should come up with a list of events to take place in the current year, and provide a reasonable amount to subsidize these events. This information could be published in the newsletter and the web site the budget could be addressed for each one depending on the circumstances. He felt that we were trying to fix something that was not broken.

Commodore Dave advised when he took over as Commodore; he had no clue as to what was expected to assist him in managing events spending. He did not want to bog us down. The Committee was formed to manage concerns around the management of the Clubs funds. This would be just a tool to help funding events during the course of the year and this guidance could be passed on to future Commodores.

At Black Point, they went through a similar exercise and too many issues came up so the idea was scrapped. Their Commodore felt it was up to the Executive Committee to say what should be done. If members wanted to attend a club function, they should pay. Charlene Powell advised that when she took over as Commodore she received advice from past Commodore Bill Clemons who allotted \$150.00 budget for each event and was able to manage the budget that way. If we do not have a budget we may have issues. That is partly what the club dues are for. This worked for her and should be given consideration.

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Commodore Dave recapped indicating he just wanted to have documented guidelines and the forming of the Committee to do this review was not intended to upset anyone but again, to document guidelines for present and future events spending. There will be more review/discussion before a decision is made.

Commodore Dave did not call for a vote on the motion made by Dwayne Powell.

Upcoming Event:

May 2 through May 4, at Key Largo – Marina Del Mar

Hosted by Ted Newlan and Dee Riley. Dwayne and Charlene Powell were also to host but could not assist due to another commitment. Cost \$2.50 per foot for 10+ boats. Less than 10 boats cost goes up to \$3.00 per foot. There was an additional charge of \$9.00 per boat per day. Sign up list is on each table. Strike through your name if you changed your mind and are not attending. Drive down headcount is also needed to arrange for catering. If going by boat, give the Marina your credit card number to hold your slip. Hotels and restaurants are full so if you want to get a hotel room book early. There will be a BBQ at 6:30 p.m. pool side at a cost of \$20.00 per person and \$30.00 per guest. Do not bring a drink to the dinner poolside as it is against the rules. There will be a cash bar. Members can get together on Friday night in the picnic area – bring a dish to share. This will be casual get together – be there by 6:30 p.m. Ted and Dee would like to collect the fees for this event tonight so please see them. Remember a reservation made is a reservation to be paid for.

50/50 of \$47.00 was won by Sharon Roesch.

Card Point Event: Ken Johnson informed that the event with Black Point in March was a great success. Everyone had a great time and they did not go over budget. 25 boats participated with approximately 45 people attending. The party went on until 10:00 - 11:00 p.m. Saturday night. If the clubs do this again next year the clean up chores before the event will have to be shared among the group.

Hats for Kids with cancer was being collected after the meeting by Carol – (new and unused, any kind). There being no other business to discuss, a motion was made by Jan Mayer and seconded by Ted Newland to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 p.m.

Note from the Secretary: Taking minutes requires a lower noise level. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully

Annabelle McDermot Secretary

THERES IS A CHANGE OF PLANS SO MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Our May 2 - 4 outing will now be held at:

Dockage is \$2.50 per foot for 10 boats or more. \$3.00 per foot under 10 boats \$9.00 per boat per day Facility Fees plus tax

Please call Candi, Thursday through Monday, at 1-800-451-3483 with your credit card number no later than APRIL 22ND, or your slip will be automatically CANCELLED. Please let me know as if your plans have changed because we may have a waiting list for boat slips. "FUN IN THE SUN" MARINA DEL MAR 527 Caribbean Drive Key Largo, FL



DINNER: 6:30 P.M. MAY 3RD POOLSIDE BBQ \$20.00 PER PERSON FOR MEMBERS \$30.00 PER PERSON FOR GUESTS

Dinner will be BBQ Chicken and Beef Kabobs with all the fixings

There will be a cash bar, and management has asked us to NOT BRING DRINKS TO THE FUNCTION. Mixed drinks will be \$5.75, with the exception of Crown. Beer \$3.25 and wine \$7.00 for Kendall Jackson Chardonay and \$9.00 for Le Crema

Please send your check, payable to HYC, as soon as possible, or bring it to the April meeting.

Marina Del Mar has always been a popular, fun destination for HYC. It is always a relaxed, fun event with a lovely pool. You can explore in your small boats or even go fishing. We promise to have cold drinks and a hot meal ready when you return. Look forward to seeing you all at the poolside with a cool "good-bye winter" drink in hand, Dee Riley

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!!!

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BEGINNING BALANCE		\$ 5,848.10
INCOME :		
Roster sales	\$ 4.00	
50/50	51.00	
Dues	60.00	
Total	\$ 115.00	
EXPENSES : Card Point Event Roster printing Ship store Storage Bin Web hosting Annual Fee FL State annual report filing May event Dinner Deposit	\$ 150.00 100.50 123.14 119.00 61.25 210.00 \$ 763.89	
ENDING BALANCE March 31, 2008		\$ 5,199.21

IDIOT SIGHTING:

We had to have the garage door repaired. The Sears repairman told us that one of our problems was that we did not have a 'large' enough motor on the opener. I thought for a minute, and said that we had the largest one Sears made at that time, a 1/2 horsepower. He shook his head and said, 'Lady, you need a 1/4 horsepower. I responded that 1/2 was larger than 1/4. He said, 'No, it's not. Four is larger than two. We haven't used Sears repair since.

IDIOT SIGHTING:

My daughter and I went through the McDonald's take-out window and I gave the clerk a \$5 bill. Our total was \$4.25, so I also handed her a quarter. She said, 'you gave me too much money. I said, 'Yes, I know, but this way you can just give me a dollar bill back.' She sighed and went to get the manager who asked me to repeat my request. I did so, and he handed me back the quarter, and said "We're sorry but we can't do that kind of thing. The clerk then proceeded to give me back \$1 and 75 cents in change. Do not confuse the clerks at McD's.

DIOT SIGHTING:

I live in a semi rural area. We recently had a new neighbor call the local township administrative office to request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road. The reason: Too many deers are being hit by cars out here! I don't think this is a good place for them to be crossing anymore.'

From Kingman, KS

IDIOT SIGHTING IN FOOD SERVICE:

My daughter went to a local Taco Bell and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for 'minimal lettuce.' He said he was sorry, but they only had iceberg lettuce.

From Kansas City

IDIOT SIGHTING:

I was at the airport, checking in at the gate when an airport employee asked, 'Has anyone put anything in your baggage without your knowledge?' To which I replied, 'If it was without my knowledge, how would I know?' He smiled knowingly and nodded, 'That's why we ask.'

Happened in Birmingham, Alabama

IDIOT SIGHTING:

The stoplight on the corner buzzes when it's safe to cross the street. I was crossing with an intellectually challenged coworker of mine. She asked if I knew what the buzzer was for. I explained that it signals blind people when the light is red. Appalled, she responded, 'what on earth are blind people doing driving?!'

She was a probation officer in Wichita , KS

IDIOT SIGHTING:

At a good-bye luncheon for an old and dear coworker who was leaving the company due to 'downsizing.' Our manager commented cheerfully, 'This is fun. We should do this more often.' Not another word was spoken. We all just looked at each other with that deer-in-the-headlights stare.

This was a lunch at Texas Instruments.

IDIOT SIGHTING:

I work with an individual who plugged her power strip back into itself and for the sake of her life, couldn't understand why her system would not turn on. A deputy with the Dallas County Sheriffs office, no less.

IDIOT SIGHTING:

When my husband and I arrived at an automobile dealership to pick up our car, we were told the keys had been locked in it. We went to the service department and found a mechanic working feverishly to unlock the driver's side door. As I watched from the passenger side, I instinctively tried the door handle and discovered that it was unlocked. 'Hey,' I announced to the technician, 'its open!' His reply, 'I know. I already got that side.'

This was at the Ford dealership in Canton, Mississippi

STAY ALERT! They walk and drive among us... And the scary part is that they VOTE and REPRODUCE.

Those persons interested is sponsoring an event during 2008 should contact the Commodore, Dave Giuliani, or Anna Perez-Giuliani. A separate meeting will be coordinated to discuss any ideas or recommendations presented for new events! Be creative....think differently!

The Commodore's e-mail address for your use is ...<u>Lanina270@Yahoo.com</u>

The following numbers are provided for your future use.

Marina Tel: 305.230.3033 Analog Tel: 305.230.0291 (*During power failures only!*) Pager: 305.881.6417

After hours security guard's telephone number is 305.272.0800 and for the "Front gate" press 01#; For "A" Dock, press 11# ; For "B" Dock press 33#; For "C" dock press 44#, For "D" dock press 55# and for the Dry Storage area press 66# or for the Bait and Tackle Shop press 77#.

Remember that the HYC meets every first Monday of each Month at the Redland County Club from 6:30 PM until 9:00 PM. The Redland Country Club is located at 24451 Krome Avenue (177th Avenue) in Homestead, FL, Telephone: 305.247.8503. You should meet and greet new members and speak to all members in a courteous manner. Please welcome everyone to be part of the club.

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Patronize the following stores to obtain discounts on your favorite fishing and boating needs. Be sure to keep checking the newsletter and the HYC website for more participating merchants in the very near future!

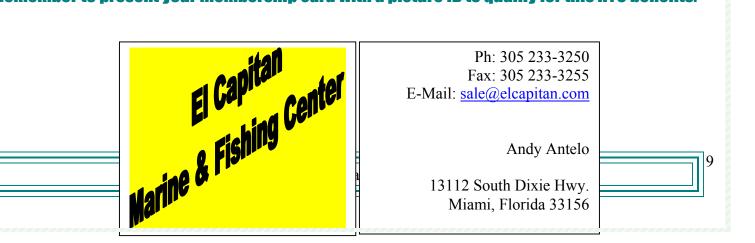
The Complete Angular $\sim 5\%$ to 10% discounts on rods and reels, 10% to 15% on parts and supplies.

B& F Marine ~ 10% to 15% discount.

El Capitan's Marine and Fishing Center~ 25% to 50% discount.

Prestige Boat Tops ~ 15% discount.

Remember to present your membership card with a picture ID to qualify for this HYC benefits.



FOR SALE!

Off Shore 4 Person Life Raft with canopy and survival kit in canister Never used, original cost \$4,400.00. Will sell for \$799.00 OBO

PUR Survival 35-Hand operated emergency water maker. \$299.00 OBO. Contact Stan at (305) 235-7600 if interested in the above items.

ADULT CLASSES

Join out NEW "SIX LESSON DANCE BLASTS" Featuring: JAZZ - Wednesday 7:30 - 8:30 pm \$75.00/6 weeks and/or BALLROOM - Friday 6:30 - 7:30pm \$150.00 per couple or \$100/single (No partner required - but don't tell him we said so!)

Classes begin the week of February 4, 2008 at: DONNA LEE STUIDO OF DANCE 61 NE 14TH Street Homestead, FL 305-247-3826





Carol Pinkerton is involved with a lot with Children with Cancer and this month and next she is doing a Lidz for Kidz drive. What is Lidz for Kidz? Its new unused donated hats that are taken to the cancer wards at Miami Children's Hospital and Joe DiMaggio's for the kids. Most of the Kids have lost all there hair and they have a blast trying on and choosing a hat

to wear while under treatment. HYC members are encourage and asked to bring a new unused hat to the next meeting for donation to such this worthy cause.



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