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Our 22nd Year of Boating Fun



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



HYC Members,

I went to Lowe's this week and found that the Christmas Trees were already on display. It's kind of early isn't it? I guess the end of the year is closer than we would like to think. If you have not renewed your BOATUS membership yet, please don't forget that we get 50% off the membership price for being HYC members. Just use our GROUP # GA82404Y when you fill out the renewal form.

I hope to see you all at the November 3rd meeting. Peter Dean and Mike Pinkerton should be there to give us the scoop on the Nov 8th Pig Roast at the Marina Pavilion in the park. Last year it was a great event and a lot of members really enjoyed it.

Don't forget to set your clocks back this weekend, Have a Happy and safe Halloween, and stay warm.

Commodore Dave G.



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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HOMESTEAD YACHT CLUB October 6, 2008



Meeting began at 7:30 p.m. Ted Newlan made a motion to

Ted Newlan made a motion to accept the September minutes as published in the Newsletter. Motion was seconded by Larry Roesch and unanimously accepted by members present.

Commodore Dave advised that Mike, our Marina Manager would not be attending the meeting because he was sick. Also, he informed that the Club had not received any feedback to the concerns raised during the September Meeting.

With regards to the concerns raised at the last meeting, Larry Roesch informed that one of our members would be attending a Park Supervisor's meeting. He also read portions of a letter that would be sent to a Commissioner. Ted Newlan suggested we send the letter to all the Commissioners with our issues and voicing our frustrations.

Members were informed that they could call Phone # 305-755-7800 to voice their complaints/issues.

Treasurer's Report

Sharon Roesch indicated the Ending Balance at August was \$5,226.94 The Treasurer's report was accepted as read and the details will be published in the October Newsletter and on the Web Site.

Sunshine Committee: Jan Meyer informed that a few people had undergone surgery in September but were recovery nicely. Linda Clemons, Claire Strand Hagen, Annabelle McDermot, and Tom Radian

Membership Committee: Membership was still at 45

Web Site: Larry Roesch informed he had been a little sluggish getting the newsletter in the website in September because he was out of town. However, members could go to the Website and it will come up on your screen. He mentioned that the screen was getting full and consideration was being given to taking the old stuff off and placing another page for those who wanted to take a walk down memory lane.

2009 Bridge Nominations:

Commodore Dave reminded members that it was time to consider nominations for the 2009 Bridge. Dwayne Powers Nominated Larry Roesch for the position of Commodore. Nomination was accepted. Ted Newlan nominated Ray Vega for the position of Vice Commodore. Nomination was accepted. George McDermot nominated Dee Riley for Treasurer. Nomination was accepted Bill Clemons nominated Claire Strandhagen for the position of Club Secretary. Nomination was accepted. Ted Newlan nominated Bill Zinn for the post of Newsletter Editor. Nomination was accepted There was no nomination for the Ship's Store which post remains vacant for the 2009 Bridge. Commodore Dave asked club members if there were any other nominations from the Floor for any of the Bridge Positions. There were no additional nominations. Dwayne Powell made a motion that the nominations be accepted. Ted Newlan seconded the nominations, which were unanimously accepted.

Club Events:

Commodore Dave advised that at the last meeting, he mentioned an October activity going on in Key Largo called Pirates Fest taking place between October $17 - 19^{th}$. Mario Espineira had looked into it, and basically a 3-day party in Key Largo would be going on that weekend. On Friday 10/17, there would be a parade at Mile market 100 with a 4 – 5 mile stretch. Jimmy Ray would be playing music. There would be a Costume and float-judging contest. Tickets for a Bash on Friday are \$20.00 per person at the Holiday Inn Tike Bar. At noon to 11 p.m. on Saturday, there would be a concert on the water and lots of stuff happening. The event would finish on Sunday with party at Gilberts on Sunday night.

The Anchorage is charging \$2.20 per foot per night. Rooms are available for \$160 per night for HYC members. Call 305-451-0500 to make reservations. HYC members interested would meet at Sundowners at 3:00 p.m. on 10/18th if interested in joining. Members can go on line to find all the details for the Pirates Fest.

Commodore Dave informed that the Pig Roast guy was more than happy to do a pig. All we needed was to give him a date. We should try not to agree on a date that would coincide with the NASCAR race at the park. It was suggested that we would need to reserve the pavilion for the date chosen. By a show of hands, members indicated that their first choice would be November 8th and 2nd choice would be November 22nd. It was decided that the charge for the pig roast would be \$5.00 per person and sign up sheets will be on the tables at November meeting.

Dues: Commodore Dave brought up the subject of dues. Dwayne Powell suggested that the club raise the fees with incentive to pay in December at today's fee rate. Commodore Dave informed that at a previous meeting with the Bridge we came up with \$80 for membership. Sharon Roesch suggested that the Bridge consider letting members pay before the end of the year at the current fee rate and after the 1st of the year bump the fee up to \$80 per year. A discussion followed because there was concern voiced about carrying over a large amount into the New Year considering that the club was registered as a non-profit organization and members wanted to know what balance may be carried forward. Treasurer Sharon Roesch informed that the current balance was approximately \$5,200 and reminded members that we needed sufficient funding for the Change of Watch in January 2009. George McDermot recommended that the Club should have a plan for 2009 but should also have a budget. Commodore Dave informed that at the beginning of 2008 he attempted to get a budget initiated but was unable to and agreed that the club should have a budget in 2009. Commodore also reminded members that the Club was giving back a benefit to the members by paying the room fee for them, rather than passing that cost on to the members.

Dwayne Powell suggested that the new administration set the budget in 2009 based on events planned/scheduled, at which time they could determine how much, if any, the increased fee should be. Bill Zinn requested confirmation that if members rejoin in November – December they would pay \$60, but if they do it in January the fee would be increased and, new members need to pay an additional \$25.00 that covers the club burgee. This proposal was confirmed.

Ken Johnson informed that he was not in favor or raising the dues, reminding members that it would be up to the new Bridge to establish dues and fees. He also informed the members that it was possible to raise additional funding by



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doing some fund raising during the year. Ken felt that it was premature to consider raising fees now voicing the opinion that it would make membership more attractive to new members if we had a solid plan and set membership fees. Dwayne Powell felt this thinking made sense.

Larry Roesch informed that the idea of giving the same deal of November & December was to get people to rejoin now – in 2008. There were more people now and funds in coffers. If more people did not rejoin, the club

would need to give up this room up potentially end up hosting meetings at the park with the mosquitoes. If we do this now we get the same deal. Postponing a decision when participation in our meetings was at a record low, could potentially lower the membership. He encouraged members who participate in meetings and events to speak with the rest of the membership to get their participation. He felt the Club should still increase the fees because HYC fees are still way less than other similar clubs. He indicated that in conversation with a former member, they said HYC needs to have a reintroduction party to get together. It was suggested that the pig roast would be a good and we should tell people about it. Bill Clemons says we did that once before and we ran out of food at \$10.00 per person. Larry Roesch responded that the participants would have to make a reservation and pay in advance, otherwise they could not participate. It was suggested that the club charge \$20.00 for visitors who do not join the club and \$10.00 if they do join. Bill Clemons stated that the economy was bad and people are already complaining. He did not feel they would pay the increased fee because they also must pay \$25.00 for the burgee. Charlene Powell informed that the more people join, the less the cost. Ken Johnson stated that club dues should be based on the financial needs of the club. If we don't need the additional funds, we should not give the incentive before the end of the year. Dues are dues and it should not be punitive. Commodore Dave reminded membership that we could get an influx of new members with an incentive to rejoin now in November/December. Ken Johnson voiced his disagreement with raise dues stating the club could cut spending and do fund raisers and would question whether or not he would rejoin should the fees go up. Sharon Roesch asked if Ken could share the types of fund-raising he had in mind. Ken informed that he did not want to answer because although he had lots of ideas, he did not want to have the responsibility of the fundraisers – typically done when someone had a suggestion. Commodore Dave informed that there was a motion from Ted Newlan on the floor to raise the dues to \$80.00. The Motion was seconded by Sandy Zinn. Ken Johnson informed that there had to be a discussion about the motion. It was considered that there had been a lot of discussion already on the floor about raising the dues. Commodore Dave informed that the club could decide now with a show of hands, whether or not to carry the motion.

A show of hands indicated: In favor: 9 Opposed: 8

Further discussion indicated that the Commodore & spouse could not vote; that only one member per boat could vote, and Ken Johnson indicated that there were duplicated votes cast.

Commodore Dave decided to do over the votes. Another show of hands indicated: In favor 8 Opposed 6



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A request from Larry Roesch was made to clarify the votes as there was still discussion surrounding the first two votes. Clarification required the voters to stand for "In Favor", and "Opposed".

In favor - 9 Opposed – 4



Ted Newland's Motion passed. Dues will go up to \$80.00 effective January 1, 2009 to \$80.00 January 1, 2009.

Larry Roesch also made a motion that the 2009 dues, if paid in November – December 2008, Dwayne – would be \$60.00, and that the new bridge implements a 2009 club budget. The motion was seconded by Ted Newlan and the motion carried with a show of hands.

A suggestion was made to the new bridge that the club considers a reduction in dues (a bonus if you will) for people who sponsored events.

The 50/50 was won by Sharon Roesch \$32.50.

Larry Roesch indicated he would send the October Key Largo's information to Anna to include in the newsletter.

There being no other business to discuss, Ted Newlan made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Anna Giuliani.

Respectfully Annabelle McDermot Secretary

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Pager: 305.881.6417

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AONTH ENDING September 2008		
BEGINNING BALANCE		\$5,288.94
NCOME :		
50/50	38.00	
Total	38.00	
EXPENSES :		
Meeting room fee	100.00	
	100.00	
ENDING BALANCE September 30,		
2008		\$5,226.94
Sharon Roesch TREASURER		

Remember that the HYC meets every first Monday of each Month at the Redland County Club from 6:30 PM until 8:30 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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