

September 2002



# The Nauti News

## Homestead Yacht Club

### Our 16th Year of Boating Fun

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#### Commodore's Letter

It can now be reliably reported that the conch fritters at Alabama Jack's are delicious!! Thirty-five club members showed up on August 10th to munch a little, drink a little, and dance a little. There may be a better way to spend a Saturday afternoon, but I'm darned if I can think of what it would be. A few boats that started out had to turn back because of the rain, but others went on to Jack's and then some went to the Keys to celebrate George & Jan's anniversary.

Next up is Hawk's Cay for Labor Day - courtesy of Bill & Linda Clemons. Then Oktoberfest at Homestead Park Pavilion - courtesy of Art & Maria Muina. Stay tuned for details.

Looking ahead, we will be appointing a nomination committee shortly for 2003 club officers - Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary, and Treasurer. We are also looking for members to handle the Ship's Store, Sunshine Committee, Calling Committee, Membership, Newsletter, Roster, and Park Liaison. If you would like to nominate someone for one of the offices or would like to volunteer yourself for an office or one of the other positions, please contact any current club officer.

Whatever you do on the water has to be fun! Until next time, keep the wind at your back.

Commodore Bob



#### Next Club Meeting

Because of the Labor Day Holiday, the September meeting is delayed until Monday, September 9. The choice for dinner is smothered chicken or stuffed pork chops. Please make your reservations and specify your dinner choice with Carol Timmons by email (Carols\_Crew@Mindspring.com) or phone (305-254-7663) as soon as possible. Remember, a reservation made is a reservation paid.

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### **Editor's Note**

I usually get the newsletter out the last week of the month, so that you receive it prior to the next meeting; however, because of the Labor Day Holiday and our club event, this one was delayed a week.

At last month's meeting I said that I would try to have my friend, who flies with the Hurricane Hunters, attend the September meeting and give us a short briefing on hurricanes and weather in general. Unfortunately, he is on two weeks of Hurricane Hunter duty in September and can not attend our meeting.

We continue to have problems with the email addresses, specifically, with keeping them current. When the most recent club meeting reminder was sent out, three of the email addresses we used were returned as no longer valid. If you change your email address, please drop me a note so that we can update our address group.

Also, please remember that this and previous newsletters are available on our web site at: [www.homesteadyachtclub.com](http://www.homesteadyachtclub.com) Bill Zinn, [sunbil@aol.com](mailto:sunbil@aol.com)

### **A Note From Holly**

Richard and I are moving to St. Louis at the end of August and really want to keep in touch with the many friends we have made at HYC. Email will continue to be [HIHOLLY@aol.com](mailto:HIHOLLY@aol.com). Our address will be 39 Shady Valley Drive, Chesterfield, MO 63017. No phone yet, but it will be in the directory. We have a five bedroom house, so we have room for plenty of company. Keep in touch. Holly Glasier

### **Minutes of August Meeting**

Commodore Bob Timmons called the meeting to order at 7:31 p.m, on August 5, 2002.

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

Jan Mayer presented the treasurer's reports for July and August, which showed an ending balance of \$5591.30. She reported the following income for July: June 50/50 \$49.00; Key Largo outing \$540.00; Bimini BBQ \$160.00; new membership \$80.00. July expenses were: Key Largo \$155.00; Coconuts Restaurant \$340.00; News Letter \$93.15; Two guest dinners \$26.00. The August report showed income of \$30.50 from the July 50/50 and \$80.00 from new membership. August expenses included \$37.45 for stamps for the newsletter and an expenditure of \$534.00 for the Bimini lunch buffet.

Bill Clemens acknowledged new members Tim and Donna Presley. They have a 26-foot powerboat that they keep at their home. Applications for membership are available on line.

Sunshine Committee Monica Adams reported that Lynn Sinnamon is ill and a flower arrangement was sent to her at Baptist hospital. Everyone wished her a speedy recovery. Please call or e-mail Monica with any news.

Park Liaison, Buz Strandhagen had nothing to report except that Bob is still at the entrance gate.

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Ship's Store manager Chuck Burnitz reported we have a lot of inventory and encouraged members to buy, buy, and buy! There will be a surplus sale at the next meeting (September 9<sup>th</sup>). Unfortunately, Chuck will not be able to operate the Ship's Store after January so the club will need a volunteer for that position. Please see or contact Cmdr. Timmons if you can help out.

### New Business:

Due to the resignation of Barb Kelly, the club desperately needs a new phone coordinator to contact members for the meetings. Please see or contact Cmdr. Timmons if you can help out. Please volunteer!

The next club event will be held at Alabama Jack's in Key Largo, hosted by Phyllis and Lance. They will provide members with free conch fritters beginning at 12:00 p.m. Lunch and beverages will be served by the restaurant on individual tabs. The band will start at 2:00 p.m. Lance can arrange dinghy transportation if needed.

Bill Clemons reported that there are eleven boats signed up so far for the upcoming Labor Day event at Hawk's Cay Marina. Anyone interested in participating needs to contact Bill A.S.A.P as we have sixteen slips reserved that the Marina would like to fill. Saturday afternoon will include a dinghy trip to the sandbar, which is reported to be very nice, no muck. Saturday night dinner served for club members offering three different entrees plus dessert for \$30.00 per member. Bill will collect money on Saturday before we go into Hawk's Cay. Sunday the club will sponsor brunch including mixers for "eye openers". B.Y.O.B.!

Art and Maria Muina are chairing the Oktoberfest celebration to be held at Homestead Bayfront Park's pavilion. He has found two possible restaurants to cater the event. They will be serving the traditional bill of fare including bratwurst, schnitzel, pork chops, sauerkraut, and apple strudel. The price per member is estimated at \$15.00. Bill Clemons suggested the club hire the Marley Brothers to perform at this event.

Jan and George Mayer will be the hosts of our Thanksgiving event held at Plantation Key. It's not too early to sign up. They will be serving the usual delicious, deep-fried turkeys.

It was reported that the Sammarcos encountered some rough seas on their return from Freeport.

### Old Business

A reminder to all that next month's meeting will be held at the Redland Country Club on September 9<sup>th</sup>.

Peter Dean, who was celebrating his birthday, won the 50-50 of \$45.00.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Teresa Dean, Secretary

## **PWC in National Parks**

As we all know, personal watercraft (PWC) were banned in Biscayne National Park some time ago. Well Boat US, in their September magazine, reports that effective September 15<sup>th</sup>, PWC will be banned from all National Parks. This is in compliance with a court imposed deadline which resulted from action initiated in 1997 by a coalition of environmental groups lead by San Francisco based Bluewater Network.

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### Our August Event at Alabama Jack's



Members enjoying food and drinks



Even had some bubbly

Additional photos are posted at [www.photoisland.com](http://www.photoisland.com)  
Use ID: sunbil and password: hyc Select album: Jacks

### Meeting our Hero

by Bill Zinn

On the morning of August 24, 1992, while under a mattress, as our home was truly being blown away, Sandy, two teen age children and I, along with many others in South Dade, listened to Channel 4 meteorologist Bryan Norcross on the radio. His calm voice, his easy to understand explanation of what was taking place, and his accurate predictions about what was going to happen contributed significantly to our safe survival of the storm. Since that day, he has been our "Hurricane Hero", but we had never met him. Well, during the last month, Channel 4 news video taped an interview with Sandy and I which they included in their Hurricane Andrew 10th anniversary show and CBS network news also taped an interview with us which appeared on the Dan Rather Evening News. And then, on August 23rd, when Channel 4 did their evening news live from Homestead, we met and were interviewed on the air by Bryan Norcross. So, after 10 year, we finally met our Hero. He is the nicest, most sincere person you would ever want to meet and he remains our "Hurricane Hero"



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### Our Next Club Event

#### **Oktoberfest at the Bayfront Park Pavilion October 5th, 3-6PM**

The club is providing the German/American music by the one piece band of Herman Schultz and is also absorbing much of the cost of the food which will be catered by Satchmos Blues Bar & Grill in the Gables. The meal will include bratwurst, schnitzel, roast pork, potato salad, sauerkraut, applestrudel, etc. Cost will be \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members, and \$12 for non-member's children under 12. As always, it is BYOB. Reservations and payment must be received by September 27th so that the food order can be placed. Contact Art or Maria Muina at 305-387-3989

### Thanksgiving in the Keys

#### **Change of Plans**

Due to only a limited number of slips being available at Plantation, the Thanksgiving outing has been moved to Pilot House Marina in Key Largo. There are tentatively ten slips reserved, with more available if needed. More details will be provided at the Club meeting on September 9th. For reservations or more information, call Jan Mayer at 305-245-4904.

This is probably an appropriate time for the club to extend our congratulations to Jan and George Mayer on their 29th Wedding Anniversary. Several Club members joined them in celebrating the occasion at Sundowners following our afternoon event at Alabama Jack's.

Again, **Congratulations Jan and George.**



### Future Events

December: Boat Parade in Key Largo

January: Annual Change of watch dinner and dance