



# marker 2

THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

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## THE OTHER SIDE OF MARKER 2

I had a conversation about marker 2 with Lance Tillman. He said something like "marker 2 demarks the bonds of the world from the freedom of the open sea. It symbolizes fear and love; the fear of losing the hold of land and the love of the freedom of the sea." He also says that he has to get past marker 2 to find himself. And that marker 2 is the equalizer of sailors; those who stay close and those who leave it far behind. Those of our members who know Lance realize that he can string words together in a manner that makes his listener think.

This got me thinking, as Lance always does, about the symbolism of marker 2 and what it means. Not just the marker at the end of our entrance channel in Hudson, but the entire marker 2s of all the entrance channels of the world. As sailors leave that last mark to port the engine goes off, the sails go up, and they are free. In the silence, only slightly broken by the whisper of the water sliding along the hull and the soft sound of the wind in the rigging, daily, worldly cares fade away to bring a peace that can't be equaled. That's Freedom! -

Jack Mooney - *Utopia Too*

"If it's gonna happen, it's gonna happen OUT THERE!" Capt. Ron  
(by editor)

## Proposal to Amend the By-Laws of the Hudson Beach Yacht Club as follows:

1. Add a new section (Section 11) to Article III: Officers', Duties and Power; Board of Directors. As follows:

New Director Positions. In the event that the Board of Directors deems it necessary or desirable to create a new Board position, the current Board may appoint a member to hold that position at the pleasure of the board until the next annual election of Officers.

2. Add a new Director position to Article III: Officers', Duties and Power; Board of Directors. As follows:

H. Web Site Director. This person shall assume the responsibility for ongoing design, content management, and maintenance of the "myhbyc.com" website. Additionally, this director shall update the website monthly and as required with current input files from the responsible Board members. A demonstrated knowledge and experience with website management and/or maintenance is a requirement for nomination to this position.

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Per the HBYC by-laws, changes in by-laws are to be presented to the club one month prior to taking a vote on their adoption. The above proposals were presented at the Feb. 07, 2006 meeting and are being provided in Marker 2 for those members absent. Approval requires a majority vote of those members present at our next General Meeting on March 7, 2006.

Sincerely,

Guy E. Colson  
Commodore

*Irwin* were just behind them. *Recluse Island* and *Wayward Wind* were running inches ahead of *Wind Dancer* and *Squall II*. *Gaia* was trying to attach a home made cutter rig and raise another sail. Her crew was very wet at this point but having FUN.

The bigger boats were gaining on the fleet and *Time To Cruise* made the mark first desperately trying to stay away from *Good Ship Lolli Pop* and *Lady In Red* who seemed to be enjoying a light lunch and beverages.

The next mark was the "turning point" of the race! (ed.- Get it?) All the boats were so close that some of the crew were exchanging recipes for the new HBYC cook book. *Getaway* and *Windrider* were long gone and they had not seen the second mark due to their lightning speed and the salt water spray in their eyes. According to our calculations, they should have reached Key West by dusk. The remaining fleet made the mark and headed for the finish.

*Lady In Red* and *Good Ship Lolli Pop* had caught *Time To Cruise* and had her surrounded. The smaller boats were running hard and so tight it looked like one big white glob with a blue speck in the middle.

Then it happened. **The wind died.** Just a few hundred feet from the finish and the entire fleet was in irons. The new race director considered calling the race at that point (since he wasn't winning anyway) but decided to give it a few more minutes. Boats were drifting, south with the current, away from the finish line, except for one. *Recluse Island* had wisely put out her small anchor and was hanging on a short scope. The result was amazing and a puff of wind was all she needed to cross the finish line. The remaining fleet was still trying to figure out what happened as *Recluse Island* was seen celebrating her overall victory.

Ed. Notes:

*Ilikai*, who had signed up for the race, was disqualified since she was on the hard in Hernando Beach

*Foxy* was disqualified for not completing the sign up sheet as instructed.

*Amanda* (*Sunrise* predecessor) was disqualified for being 27 hours late for the start. (even the new handicap couldn't help)

*Forever Young* (the committee boat) was disqualified since she couldn't get off the dock.

*Lagniappe* was disqualified for having too short a stick.

Enough for now. My wife says I have to take out the garbage.

*Gene*

## Cruise Director's Corner

By Bill Deinema 727 869-0277

Hello, again my friends and club members,  
If you missed the monthly meeting you missed a good one. Too much info. to pass on in print, but any way I will try to let you know why I have not scheduled a club sponsored cruise until March, as you will see this weekend, there is **nothing** worse for me than to be cooped up in a 5 by 8 room because of weather not suited for Floridians, even though it will eventually happen to all cruisers you don't have to plan it, so therefore as your cruise director from experience I know better than to defy mother nature. The first four years my wife and I decided we would go for a long weekend [4 days] Thanksgiving. Well, the first year we got caught in a tropical storm at anchor in Clearwater [60 mph. Winds] needles to say we were not happy campers. The second year it rained for 2 days, and so on after the 4th year I decided I could not out smart mother nature so I gracefully conceded and stayed home with the heat on. Now I know some of you will like cruising so much that you will take a chance sooner or later. Well, March will be here soon so let the fun begin and by the way the power boaters should be thinking of joining the rag boats at Anclote. Just remember in this boating club there is room for every one and you have a open top boat there is plenty of shelter if it rains. I know the commodore means it when he said there is something for everyone, and my goal is to do my best to make that come about for any one that seeks that.  
Your cruise director,

**Bill**

## Welcome Aboard

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Bruce Matlack  
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Hudson, Fl. 34667 869-1980  
matlackwindsurfing@yahoo.com  
Windrider 17' 2002.

Frank Bernhardt  
15925 Villa Drive  
Hudson, Fl. 34667 863-9830  
fbernhardt@att.net

Joan Beccaria  
12207 Camp Creek Lane  
Bayonet Point, Fl. 34667 863-3535  
terrissita2004@yahoo.com

Dave Clark  
9145 Pontiac Street  
New Port Richey, Fl. 34654 364-7480  
Pearson 24' 1967. Skimmer



## Commodore's Corner

Dear Members,

It seems that the extended Social Hour after the General Meeting this month was a big hit as we had lots of members participate. (Now if only we could get a few more volunteers to put away the chairs and tables next month...) I certainly hope that IHOP doesn't have to lay off any waitresses due to reduced business as a result. And just think, with all the money saved you might even be able to purchase a few more 50/50 tickets at the next meeting. Speaking of the 50/50 – FOUR winners at this past meeting was pretty darned good, and enriching!

What a great turnout of members, old and new, along with many visitors at the February meeting. It would seem that in spite of the rather unique phone techniques employed by the Past Commodore we are still able to attract interest in the club!

This being the month for Valentines, it's important to remember our spouses, girl and boy friends, and significant others. I promised Nancy that I would get her something this year that would go from zero to 140 in less than 5 seconds. But she said the last thing she needed (or wanted) was a new bathroom scale. So I'm still at a loss... maybe a new joker valve for the marine head or a few fuel filters might be a thoughtful gift and well appreciated; since I have been reminded more than once that gifts "for the house" are not appropriate for this special day. Or maybe I'll just treat her to the HBYC "Breakfast on the Beach" this coming Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup>, at the Hudson Beach South Pavilion. It's still only \$2.50 per person if you sign up ahead (\$3.00 otherwise) and the best deal in town. And you don't even have to leave a tip or do dishes!

Thanks again to all who sent in their surveys, I think the club got some excellent input and ideas for this year. Have a great month and, weather cooperating, get some good boating and racing in as well.

Heaving to for now...

## From the Deck

Gene Michaux - Race Director 727-862-7799

### HBYC Fantasy Race #1

We started out with a great Captains meeting on a perfect day. Wind was blowing out of the SE at 10-12 knots and there was plenty of water. Fourteen boats signed up for the first race of the season and it promised to be exciting and competitive.

The start was at High Noon for the seven boats under 27feet and 1210 for the remaining fleet including the multihulls. (The new race director said they had to start with the second group since he needed someone to follow.)

The start was exiting with all but one boat, *Gaia*, right there at the one minute warning. *Gaia* was trying to tame the 200% jenny it had raised on the 22 Catalina and was sliding toward Clearwater at about 6 knots-- backwards!. Only inches apart, *Wind Dancer* and *Squall II* were first over the line within 2 seconds of the gun. The *Wayward Wind* came screaming across the line on a starboard tack with *Seahorse* on his tail trying to get the overlap. The *No Name Irwin 25* was on the opposite tack using a different strategy. *Recluse Island* was last to cross but you could tell that they had a plan. *Gaia* got the old girl under control and started the race with the rail in the water and the captain yelling "more sail".

The bigger boats were "ticking and tacking" for position at the line. *Time To Cruise* was running wing on wing toward the start in an attempt to keep the other boats away from the **brand new beautiful** boat. *Good Ship Lolli Pop* and *Lady In Red* were dueling it out for position with the multihulls, *Getaway* and *Windrider*. The two multihulls were sailing circles around them as a sign of what was to come. The multihulls tried to make a bee line for the start at the one minute warning but the behemoths blocked the entire starting line in a show of "mono hull unity".

The race was on with the big boats hunting down the smaller craft which had the 10 minute head start. The multihulls finally got by the big boats and left the pack with a rooster tail spray streaming from their rudders, headed for the rest of the fleet.

As the gaggle approached the first mark, you could see the rules sheets being waved. All seven of the smaller boats were overlapped and trying to turn toward the second mark. It looked like the game of crack the whip -- but with boats. The multihulls were closing at a blistering pace and had no were to go with this mass of traffic. With a bit of divine guidance, and review of the safe boating guidelines, the group made it around the mark and the multihulls took the lead. *Seahorse* and *No Name*

## MINUTES: HBYC- GENERAL MEETING FEBRUARY 7, 2006

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Commodore Guy Colson

A motion was made to accept the minutes by Dave Ergle  
Seconded: Sandy Mooney

Commodore Guy Colson announced that Gene Michaux was the 1st caller to have read the Marker 2 and won the 50/50 tickets.

### REPORTS:

Rob Musgrove reported 69 renewals and 4 new members.

PURSER: Mary Knowles reported balance on hand on January 31, 2006 was \$3526.23. Income last month was \$2635.10. Expenses were \$1130.03. Mary also announced that you can find the Boat / USA Club Group #GA82061Y in the front of the club directory.

FINANCE: Frank Lomozik announced 50/50 going great .

GREETER: Eve Gratton handed out calendar for birthdays and anniversaries giving months date, time and location.

CRUISING DIRECTOR: Bill Deinema would like large turnouts for after race cruises. Presented July 4th Cruise to Clearwater to join in the fire works. Bill would also like to see a class on raft up.

RACING: Gene Michaux explained why race cancelled (lack of water, etc.) Gene presented a witty visualization of what the first race of year would have been like.

Bill and Digna Kelly (Recluse Island) were presented First Place Award for the "Fantasy Race".

PUBLICITY; Tom Knowles --ad appeared in Gulf and Bay, ST. Pete Times announcing February Meeting.

SOCIAL DIRECTOR: Nancy Colson announced first breakfast on beach will be Feb. 19th. Nancy further announced we will be having a Social Hour after meeting until 10:00. This is in hopes of helping new members and old get to know one another.

VICE COMMODORE: Mike Reed absent

PAST COMMODORE: Tom Sperry shared his unique way of bringing in new members.

MARKER 2: Mary Reed absent due to surgery

WEB MASTER: Don Himes introduced new page -- Member Log. Don also urged us to try Yahoo Link as it is a great chat room.

### NEW BUSINESS;

Commodore Guy Colson presented Proposal to Amend By-Laws to include New Director Position. We will vote at next meeting to include a New Position: Web Site Director. Guy also went over the results of Member Survey. The Commodore is open to suggestions of Social and/or Money Making events.

Dave Ergle explained to us the Scallop Expedition.

50/50 Drawing Winners:

Ginny Bradfield  
Rob Musgrove  
Elizabeth Cover  
Curtis Jones

Sandy Mooney Moved to adjourn  
Carol Ergle seconded  
Meeting adjourned 9:00

Respectfully submitted, Karen Pryor, Yeoman

### ADDRESS UPDATES

Ernie and Edna Schwabe  
6613 Harbor Drive, Hudson, Fl. 34667.

Tom and Joan Devlin  
12119 Sunny Glen Lane Apt H2  
Hudson, Fl 34669

David & Yvonne Wheatly  
18201 Griffith Rd  
Lutz, Fl 33549  
New Phone 813 949 5540

### NEXT MEETINGS

Tuesday March 7, at 7:30PM is the next HBYC **General Meeting** at the Signal Cove Club House. The next **board meeting** will be 2/28 at 7:30PM at Guy and Nancy Colson's

### 1st BREAKFAST ON THE BEACH 2006

Breakfast on the Beach will be Sunday, February 19th at 9:00 at the South Pavilion, Hudson Beach. CALL Nancy at 727 868 9149. Late reservations will be honored until Thursday, February 16th

### THANK YOU.....THANK YOU.....THANK YOU

can't say it enough for all the help I had last year. I will not name each individual for fear of forgetting someone. EXCEPT.... Sandy Mooney, who was my shopping buddy, Joyce & Bob Cockerham and Vince Ermel for scrambling 1,500 plus eggs at the beach. The meetings, breakfasts, pot lucks and Christmas Dinner Dance were all great successes do to the volunteering of so many. I know you all will pitch in and give Nancy Colson the same support that you came to me. Again many THANKS!!!!!! Jane Sperry

**Many many thanks** to each and every member of HBYC for the flowers, cards, meals, phone calls, well wishes and prayers for my recovery. Many thanks to the angels for driving me to doctor appointments. Mary Reed

### Dry Sailors

We have been having between 10 and 20 club members come down to the Hudson Beach South Pavilion on a Monday night. There is plenty of parking, lots of people to watch, guessing if a boat is going to go aground, watching out for dolphin, and of course good company. The piece de resistance is a glorious sunset. But even if the clouds get in the way, we have spent an hour or so with our friends. What could be better? Join us, one hour before sunset.

## February + Birthdays

Emerson Tiebor	2/1
Donna Murray	2/3
Carl Wilhelm	2/7
Marlene Tillman	2/10
Lila Hookins	2/12
Roberta Eagly	2/15
Frank Lomozik	2/18
Teresa Downing	2/20
Peggy Backes	2/26
Tom Knowles	2/27
Elizabeth Cover	3/12
David Smith	3/12
Judy Peluffo	3/13
David Waterfield	3/13
Abigail Hollis-Gray	3/15
Digna Kelly	3/17
Mike Ainsley	3/20

## February + Anniversaries

Ike and Denise Isaacson	2/1
Mary and Tom Knowles	2/2
Dana and Janie Goodwin	2/4
Curtis and Bess-Mae Jones	2/11
Jim and Lila Hookins	2/12
Ernie and Edna Schwabe	2/14
Ron Alward and Mercedes Lopez	2/14
Lance and Marlene Tillman	2/14
Albert and Barbara Friedman	2/19
Frank and Wendy Verbeke	2/22
Dave and Yvonne Wheatley	2/24

## Captains in search of a crew call:

Bill Dalton	372 - 3806
Art Fedrigo	372 - 3934
Bill Thompson call anytime in need	379 - 0453
Bob Cockerham	849 - 2890
Cathie	819 8797
Tom Patric	863 0838
John Tassinaro	515 8773
Jim Hookins	271-1155

### CREW WANTED!

June Schlichting has a 26 MacGregor and is looking for crew. Call 863 7545 or email Solojune3@aol.com

### Don Himes/ Webmaster

Don has accepted the position as Webmaster of our great web site. Visit [www.myhbyc.com](http://www.myhbyc.com) !!

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**Submissions to the "Marker 2" editor via e-mail:**  
[hbycmarker2@earthlink.net](mailto:hbycmarker2@earthlink.net)

**Dues 2006** \$35 Dues for 2006 need to be paid by February 28 in order to get your name in the new directory. If there are any questions call Mary Knowles 862-8289.

**Get Well Soon!** We are grateful for only a minor injury to Joe Murray while dancing with his chain saw. Laurel Nash is making good progress after her surgery. We all look forward to smooth sailing again with Vince Ermel, Carl Wilhelm, and many others handling some rough seas at present. Lets keep them all in your prayers.

## FOR SAIL/WANTED

**The fifth member** to call the Commodore's phone, 727 868 9149 (leave a message if nobody picks up), and say they read this in Marker 2, will get a free arm's length of fifty fifty tickets at the next meeting.

**1981 Balboa-27** with 1991 Evenrude 15hp electric start engine. All new rigging and new Harkin roller furling for jib as of Sept 2004. Marine toilet with holding tank and maserator. Edson wheel steering new in March 2004. Shoal drafted - draws 4 feet. Sails great and is quite roomy [6' headroom in salon]. She has an 8' beam and displaces 4,900lbs. Main sail is 134 sq ft and 150% Genoa is 242 sq ft. Asking \$7,000 but willing to talk if we can find her a good home. I am the original owner and am only selling due to purchase of new boat. Contact Don Himes at (727) 799-1714 [home] or (813) 760-2235 [cell] or by e-mail at: [donthimes@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:donthimes@tampabay.rr.com).

**17' Watkins Sailboat** w/trailer, new standing rig, two mains, one older jib, large open cockpit with dry storage. \$800 Call Chris Stone 727 919 7508.

**Dinghy Wanted.** Looking for a used 2 person dinghy to tow behind my Catalina 27 on short cruises. Call Peter Wierzbicki (Czech Mate) at (352) 206-7730 or [pwierzbicki@netscape.com](mailto:pwierzbicki@netscape.com)

### Slip wanted

looking for a boat slip anywhere from Pasadena to Hudson, with deep water and easy access to gulf. 26ft macgregor sail. June Schlichting, 727 267 7009

**30' Newport Sloop**, auto pilot, GPS, All new canvas, Roller Furling, 25 HP Johnson outboard, Everything is in good condition. \$ 9500.00 Call Chris 727-819-3254

**FOR SALE BY OWNER** - Pine Ridge at Sugar Creek, SR 52, Hudson, FL. First fl. Condo, water view, 2 bd/2 ba, Eat In Kitchen, laundry room, fans, new carpet, tiled floors, 55+ Gated Community w/ large pool, Low fees include cable & water. Asking \$135,000. Call - 727-857-9132

**Snowbirds New Port Richey Home to share** Furnished room & board Female prefer same Utilities included (except phone) \$550.00 mo. Year around clubhouse & pool available but not included. Call Jo 727-207-0098 leave message References

# Tides-Hudson, Hudson Creek

based on St. Marks River Ent., Florida (NOAA)  
28° 21.70 N 82° 42.60 W

Average Tides  
Mean Range: 2.5 ft  
MHHW: 3.5 ft  
Mean Tide: 1.8 ft

Monthly High & Low  
High March 31, 13:02 3.8 ft  
Low March 31, 20:15 -0.7 ft

## March 2006

