

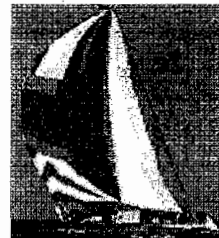
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THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

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HBYC DAY SAIL



When: February 10th

Time: Meet at HBYC Race Start waypoint at 13:30

The plan:

- Weather Permitting
- Meet up at the appointed time and head off on a planned route that will be provided when we get out there. Route will be determined by wind direction and speed to afford some nice cruising and get us back to Marker2 with tide & time to spare. I will provide headings that we will sail towards and advise tacks, etc.
- Make sure to monitor VHS Ch.72 and check in with Time 2 Cruise when you're on site.
- Power boaters are encouraged to join in, so long as you can bear the break neck speed of the sailors.
- We encourage members to take riders and extra crew. If you don't have a boat or ride but want to come, sign up at the February General Meeting or contact Don Himes.
- We will head to Gianni's for pizza after if there's enough interest.

Fun Race Information February 23rd

With one race under their belt for 2008, HBYC racers are undoubtedly thinking of the next chance to get out and have a little friendly competition. Look no farther than the website or Marker 2, because we are always getting ready to rumble.

The Captain's meeting will be at the south pavilion at 900 as usual, and the course will be 1-6-5-4-1

The coordinates are as follows

1 N28 21.339 W82 45.695

6 342° mag N28 21.889 W82 45.958

5 277° mag N28 21.916 W82 46.624

4 221° mag N28 21.458 W82 47.013

1 100° mag N28 21.339 W82 45.695

We're shooting for a 1230 start, but we will give you more detailed information at the Captain's meeting.

Plan to come out, have some fun sailing with your fellow members, and having a little competition at the same time!

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Our first breakfast on the beach of 2008 is 9AM, Feb.10th at Hudson Beach. Cost is \$3.00 in advance, \$ 4.00 at the "door". The next breakfast is planned for March 16th. We are looking for new members for the committee- many hands make light work and more fun!! Call Donna or Cheryl if you want to help.

Cheryl and Donna



Commodore's Corner

Dear Members

February 2008

Wow how time flies. It's the end of January and no snow yet. Good thing 'cause Chrissy hates to shovel. The "Board" has just held its second meeting and is more fired up than ever to promote an exciting and fun filled year. The "Board" is always open to constructive input so if you have some ideas on events, money raisers or just about anything else, let me know. We will consider them.

Breakfast on the Beach (February 10th) with a Day Sail planned for that afternoon. What more could you ask for? Everyone is invited, just sign up at the February meeting. See Jim Glessner for details on the sail. Another Fun Race is scheduled for the 23rd and believe me there's nothing like finishing a race in the fog! Enter your sail boat. You don't need racing experience. If you are "crew", try and set up a ride beforehand. It's a great day on the water no matter what. (Just remember the race director can probably be bribed to adjust your handicap.) We could sure use some more committee boats to make sure everyone goes around ALL the marks.

We have 79 members signed up so far for 2008 and hopefully will reach the 100 mark by the time you read this message. This is a great response and gives us such a rich pool of interesting people to associate with. Went to a function at the Gulf Harbors Yacht Club and was extremely impressed with their hospitality. The commodore has extended an invitation to our club members to join in some of their activities and we will be filling you in on some possible events in the near future. They have a fabulous facility with floating docks, a great dining hall with delicious food and of course a bar. Everything is reasonably priced!

I understand the "Boating Classes" are going well and it's great to see the enthusiasm of both the students and their wonderful instructor. We may be able to have a **navigation only** course later in the year which will cover the basics of reading a chart to setting up your GPS. Remember you can't depend on JUST your GPS. Don't forget to make arrangements with Erni and Edna Schwabe to have your boat "Coast Guard Inspected".

It's Free! They are also fantastic at answering questions regarding boating regulations. Please don't miss out on this great opportunity to insure your safety gear is up to snuff. Please remember this club runs on "People Power" so your help on different committees and your input are important. Enough for now, my wife says I have to do the laundry. *Gene*

Racing News

January Race Results

I should have seen it coming. No one ran against me for Race Director, and I wondered why. Now I know. Herding cats is nothing compared to holding a captain's meeting with the Hoodlums from Hudson. But, with some gentle cajoling, waivers were signed and the course was laid out. Questions were few, which is a good sign, isn't it?

Papa Kilo, with Paul and Denise and son on board did a perfect job of setting out the buoys at the traditional marks for the fun triangle; now known as 1-5-3-1 (to most of the racers...more on that in a minute).

Showing up to race for the '08 inaugural were *Foxy*, *Murph's Ark*, *Time 2 Cruise*, *Inspiration*, *Grafz*, *Esperanza*, *Soirée* (the former *M²*), *Lady in Red*, *Mr. Lucky*, *Lagniappe*, and some new boat named *Cat-can-do*. (We'll get to this new guy in a minute, too.) The small boats were to get the gun at 1445, and the Bruins would leave 10 minutes later. Most of the Bruins, that is: two of them were late. Why, you might ask.

Inspiration was headed out for the race, and was waylaid by engine trouble. Those of you who know Guy Colson's email address will no doubt be shocked to know that his vessel could not pass gas, so it would not run. A quick call on the VHF was all it took for *Lagniappe* to respond to the emergency and tow the stricken vessel back to port. ZZZRRPPPZZZZ (rewind) ... was all it took for *Lagniappe* to respond and tow the stricken vessel back to port.

ZZZZRRRRPPPPZZZZ...LAGNIAPPE towing another vessel instead of being towed? What in the name of Sea Tow? Sandbar Bill gained some instant redemption for past deeds, but at a cost. Bill was late to the start line, but was granted leniency by the start committee of George and Vera (cute couple, huh?) on *Curious George*.

In the lead at the line was *Soirée*, but something didn't look right. What didn't look right was the fact that she was loaded like a Haitian immigrant scow. It looked like standing room only on her, but it also looked like a fun time was being had by all. Close on her poop was *Murph's Ark*, captained by T-bone and his lovely bride Laura. (I told my son in law Tibor's real name, but he insisted that T-bone was more fun, and it stuck, at least for the day.) Following close behind were *Grafz*, *Mr. Lucky*, *Esperanza* and ... what the hell was that streaking past? Ever see a Porsche pass you with a dog hanging its head out the window? It looked like Dave Zimmer, but all we could see was someone squinting with tears streaming from his eyes. Was it the wind? Or was it the sheer joy of running, like a newborn colt that discovers it has legs. We wondered why Dave was shouting "1-3-1-3". As it turned out, these were the map coordinates that he was going to run... over and over and over. Race? What race? This was a man overtaken by the joy of running in the wind. *Papa Kilo* barely had the number 2 turn buoy set out when the cat streaked by, with Dave still hanging his head out the window.

About this time, the large boats were fighting for space at the line, and *Lady in Red* had somewhat of a rude awakening. Not only was she 10 seconds earlier than she wanted to be, but *Foxy* was occupying her normal spot at the start line. While Gene was looking for some unsuspecting soul to sell his 10 extra seconds to, *Time 2 Cruise* was sneaking up like something from the movie *Jaws*. Her tactics made one think there might be a hired gun onboard. No fouls at the start, so off they went, followed a couple minutes later by Saint Bill, who was breaking out a can of Brasso and polishing

his halo on *Lagniappe*.

Poseidon saw how much fun the fleet was having, and decided to have his way with them. The wind started to die, the fog started to roll in, and the boats began to DOR. T-bone and *Soirée* were still duking it out, with *LIR* sneaking past to finish first on the water. The final leg found a bunch of boats bunched up in a bunch, with *Grafz* trying to decide whether or not getting out the whisker pole made good use of his time. It may have looked like a relaxed race, yet only 46 seconds separated the first three places after handicaps were applied. Now that's racing! As the fleet was leaving the field, in the foggy distance could be heard a mysterious canine howl, followed by "1-3-1-3..." All the contestants made it in to the docks in fine shape, and there was a rumor of a party at some abandoned house with a pool. What happens in the pool stays in the pool.

First place- T-bone and Laura on *Murph's Ark*

Second place- Jack and Brenda on *Green Card* (*Soirée*)

Third place- Gene and Chrissie on *Lady in Red*

Special thanks to Paul, Denise, George, and Vera for their excellent committee boat execution. Also, it's great to have *Mr. Lucky* back on the racecourse!

See you on the water for 1-6-5-4-1 on February 23rd!

And that's the way I saw it. **Racing Director, Jack**

Members' News

Happy March Birthdays

Arlene Richardson	3/6
Paul Kendrick	3/6
John Dering	3/11
Elizabeth Cover	3/12
David Waterfield	3/13
Judy Emery	3/13
Marc Yacht	3/15
George Martin	3/17
Digna Kelly	3/18
Mike Ainsley	3/20
Frank Verbeke	3/25
Mary Ann Dalton	3/25
Ron Alward	3/29
Cindy Pastor	3/29
Derek Bennett	3/30
Laurel Nash	3/30
H. Fred Kull	3/31
Rose Amos	3/31
Tom Sperry	3/31

Anniversaries

Believe it or not, there are NO anniversaries this month.

WELCOME ABOARD

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Hudson, FL 34667 Bonnie cell 812-486-6367
wbrown12@tampabay.rr.com

General Meeting Minutes Opening

The potluck dinner commenced at 6:00 p.m. A good time and delicious food was had by all.

The regular meeting of the Hudson beach Yacht Club was called to order following the potluck dinner at 7:00 on January 8, 2007 by Past Commodore Don Himes.

Don presented the new memorial plaque and read the names of past HBYC members preceded by eight bells.

Don Himes thanked the 2007 board for their hard work and support and presented plaques in appreciation to the outgoing board.

Jack Kuhlmann presented the Vice-Commodore flag to Paul Kendrick, Don Himes presented Gene Michaux with the Commodore flag, gavel and a plaque with all the names of past Commodores. Guy Colson presented the Past Commodore flag on to Don Himes.

Commodore Gene Michaux introduced the 2008 Board and Directors to the members of HBYC.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Reports

Membership Director, Madeline Woodman introduced our 3 new members, welcomed guests, wished a happy Birthdays and Anniversary to appropriate members.

Also the calendar and directory are ready and can be picked up by members. Additional tide charts will cost \$2.00 each.

Purser, Mary Knowles reported the balance on hand on December 1, 2007 as \$3298.72. Income was \$2661.00, and expenses were \$2415.11. The balance on hand, December 31, 2007 was \$3657.61.

Vice Commodore, Paul Kendricks was introduced and said a few words to the members.

Social Directors: Donna Murray and Cheryl Dering stated that the first breakfast on the beach will be on February 10. Donna presented Nancy Colson with a certificate of appreciation for all of the hard work she did last year as Social Director. They will be needing people to help with social activities this year. Jane Sperry was thanked for all her hard work during the year. Thank-you Jane!

Publications: Mary Reed said to email her with items that need to go into the marker2 by Friday the 11th. Email her at hbycmarker2@earthlink.net.

Web Master, Dave Zimmer stated he will make the club web site (www.myhbyc.com) easier to navigate so visit our site. Also he passed out information and will do a hands on instruction to get onto the HBYC Yahoo email after the general meeting.

Cruise Director, Jim Glessner said he would be having a couple of mid week cruises this year. The first will be a day sail March 29th and 30th to Caladesi Island.

Publicity, Linda Baker was introduced and said a few words about the work ahead of her.

Finance Director, Ralph Ray was introduced and said he would be selling HBYC items before and after the general meeting.

Race Director, Jack Kuhlmann spoke about the upcoming races and passed out HBYC 2008 race coordinates.

Quarter Master, Fred Dunlop gave a visual presentation of some survival equipment that had been donated to HBYC. Also see him if there are HBYC items you would like to borrow for

your personal use.

Old Business

Nancy Dunlop will continue to coordinate the Birthday-Anniversary dinners for the club. The first will be held on January 13th.

New Business

Laurel Nash will be holding several sailing courses this year. Call her or email her for more information.

Ernie and Edna Schwabe are performing 2008 vessel inspections. If you need or want a 2008 safety inspection sticker call them.

Finance Director Ralph Ray had one \$50.00 winner for the 50/50 drawings

Adjournment:

Commodore Gene Michaux moved to adjourn and was so seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by: Mary DelMar, Yeoman

FOR SAIL/WANTED

FOR RENT! 2 BDRM/ 2 BATH/ 1 CG BEACON WOODS - Safe neighborhood. Community pool & club house membership included \$825 month & Security. Call 727 237 3475.

For sale: Dinette set. 45 inch square table with metal base and glass top. 4 metal chairs with upholstered seats. Almost new- used for two "snowbird" seasons, purchased at Steven's Furniture. Asking \$200. Call John or Cheryl Dering @ 203-525-8722 (cell) or 860-690-2018 (cell).

For Sale: Pair of 7" by 13" Bronze portholes. New cost \$480.00 each, sell pair for \$480.00. These unit are beautiful with new window material. Call Fred @ 727-868-7042"

9 ft Hypalon inflatable rib dingy. Brand: Boat US \$250 OBO. New hatch cover and air directional grill for Carry-on air conditioner \$30 OBO. Used electric windlass (12 v). Brand: Power Winch \$100 OBO. Call or e-mail Les Emery @ 727-992-6441, lae1945@tampabay.rr.com

FOR SALE: 27/2 Compac 1988 sailboat, 3'5" draft. Great condition, Tambark Sails, (rf), 12 hp Universal diesel (less than 75 original hrs). New bimini, cushions, compass, radio. 2nd owner, MI +FL, slip available (Hudson) \$23,900 OBO, call Gene Prine at 727-773-1517

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See Ralph Ray, Finance Director.

Marker 2 e-mail

Submissions to the "Marker 2" editor via e-mail :
hbycmarker2@earthlink.net

NEXT MEETING

Next General Meeting will be on **Tuesday, March 4th at 7:30 PM at Signal Cove Club House.**

The next board meeting will be **Tuesday, February 26, at 7:00PM at Linda Baker's.**

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Dry Sailors

WHO? Any HBYC member, family or friend.
WHY? To watch the sunset, meet friends and talk about boats.
WHEN? Every Monday, weather permitting, one hour before sunset.
WHERE? At the Hudson Beach south pavilion. So now you know. Come on down!

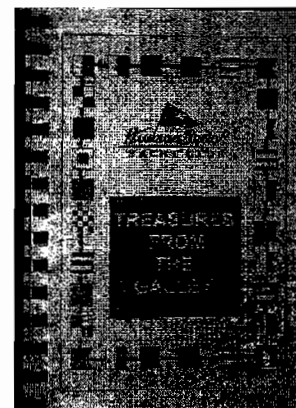
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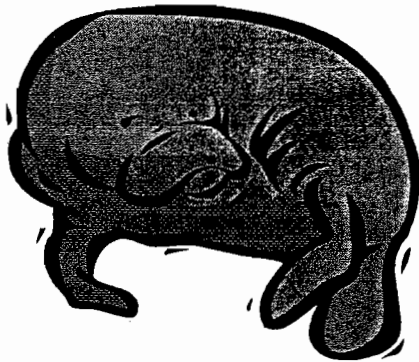
If you change your address, email address or telephone number, please let me know.
863-9097. mwoodma1@tampabay.rr.com
Thank you, Madelaine

"Secret Questions"

What is the "Rhum Line"?
(Original answers accepted)
Bonus Question: What is the difference between True and Magnetic North?
Call Gene at 862-7799

NEWS !!! Joe & Donna sold the Hunter 40! And got another 5' drafter!





Crystal River Cruise

Depart Feb 18th

Return 22nd-25th

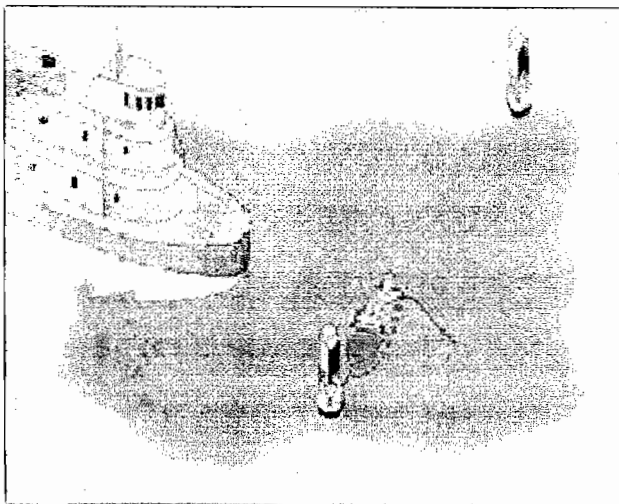
Time 2 Cruise and Inspiration are planning a cruise to Crystal River in February. The cruise will be conditional on a good weather window.

February and March are the prime time for manatees at Crystal River and we will plan some fun dink outings to manatee watch.

Current cruise plan is as follows:

- **Monday 2/18** - 21:15 hrs to 22:30 hrs > Depart dock and head out channel. Will anchor off Marker2 on Monday night.
- **Tuesday 19th** - 07:30 - 08:00 head north to Crystal River - Kings Bay. Total trip is 50-55nm depending on wind directions and course headings.
- **Wednesday 20th** - Dink exploration of springs and manatee watching. Evening - dinner ashore.
- **Thursday 21st** - Another day of the same or head out (depending on weather and each boat captain). Evening to be decided by boats remaining.
- **Friday/Saturday -22nd/23rd** - Same as Thursday Return trip. Each boat should plan for a full day sail/motor back from CR. If you're OK with coming in at night, Hudson Channel will have a strong high tide near midnight both days. Also, there will be a full moon.

Please let Don Himes know if you want to go. He has suggested routes, anchorage info, etc.



Use safe anchorages

Coast Guard navigation aids, like buoys, mark channels for shipping and it is illegal and dangerous to tie up to them.

Each year commercial vessels ram and sink boats anchored in navigation channels or tied to buoys.

Get 3 free 50/50 tickets, at the general meeting drawing, just for having your vessel inspected. Every boat you own is eligible! Do it now!

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