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THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

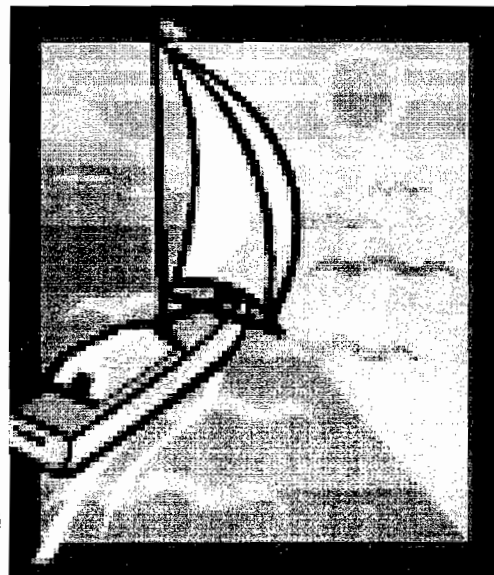
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HBYC Memorial Day Cruise

Marker 1 Marina, Dunedin

We have another fun weekend planned for HBYC boaters and non-boaters!

Dinner outing at Leo's Italian Restaurant!



Don Himes will be cruise leader for the cruise. Please let him know when you have made a reservation for a slip or if you plan on coming for only for a few hours.

(727) 799-1714 [home] or (813) 760-2235 [cell].

NOTE: If you are coming only for the dinner and not spending the night, Marker 1 has agreed that we can raft a few boats off paid HBYC transient slips for several hours, so folks can make the dinner.

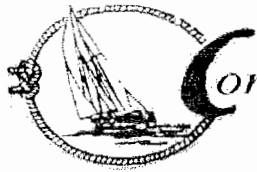
We now have dinner reservations at **Leo's Italian Restaurant**, 2632 Bayshore Blvd., Dunedin, FL 34698 at 7:00 p.m. They feature the usual fare of pizza, soup/salad, baked dishes, pasta, sandwiches, and meat/seafood entrees. Prices range from \$5 - \$18. As a special treat, a band will play starting at 8 p.m., and we can dance off those calories right after dinner!! The restaurant is located in the shopping center at the northwest corner of Bayshore Blvd. & Curlew Road – a short walk (about 1 block) from the marina!

We especially invite all motor boaters and non-boaters of HBYC to join us for dinner. This is another great opportunity to get together and have fun!

Last day to sign up for the dinner is Monday, May 19th 2008. Memorial Day Weekend is a busy time for restaurant – we want to be sure to get the reservations we need. **Call (727) 862-4039 or (913) 634-3513 if you need additional information.**

Your Cruise Director

Jim



Commodore's Corner

MAY 2008

Spring has sprung and HBYC is in full bloom. We have completed the **Scandia Cup** race under perfect conditions, there is a **Breakfast on the Beach** on the 18th and a **Memorial Day** cruise that also includes dinner and dancing for everyone. Please check out the info on the web site or call the cruise director.

You don't need a boat to attend! PLEASE let the cruise director know for dinner reservations and also make your own dock reservations at Marker One Marina. See web or call to get further info.

Another fun month and don't forget to welcome the Love Bugs to your neighborhood. Remember, **they** have a reason to live if it's only to annoy everyone and splatter on your windshield! Drive fast. OK so what does this have to do with boating?? Be out there in a sailboat and have them invade you. You'll understand. These are the times you wish you had a McGregor X with 50 horse power. While I'm digressing, does anyone out there have a need for about 10 Muscovy ducks? I have a good deal on them and they are looking for a new home.

Although it's a little early, don't forget the Commodores Poker Picnic. This gala event will be held at the Colson/Sperry Ranch on June 14th, 2008. As usual this is a Covered Dish with the club supplying Dogs, Burgers, Brats, the fixings, soda and water. The Margarita machine will be there and run on donations but bring your own adult beverages to supplement your thirst. Cost will be \$7 per and that includes a free poker hand. Prize to be announced.

Some of our members will be at a car show/meet on May 19th at 9:00am at Sam's on the Gulf. Call 727 967 1526 for details.

I believe the next Anniversary/ Birthday dinner will be at Gulf Harbors Yacht Club on June 7th. Check the web, Marker 2 or call Nancy Dunlop for details. A special thanks to Roy Garcia for sharing his safety story of the "runaway dink" with the group. These real adventures show how a simple problem can quickly turn into a potential tragedy if not well thought out.

Enough for now, my wife says I have to mop the floors.

Gene

Cruising

Mooneys on the Move

Hi Family and Friends, Jack and I have been here for almost a week and are progressing a little slower this year. Our bones are getting older and we get less done than our minds remember us doing in the years past. But we are getting there. Jack sanded the bottom and fiberglassed the supposed crack (which we could not find) and prepared the keel joint areas for some 5200 and a rubberized insulation on the joints. Meanwhile Sandy does the inside. cleaning and storing and itemizing every nook and cranny. Boy the boat looks small, but it is stuffed with more than a house. We have had three days of rain and this has slowed the outside work. Jack is charging the batteries, repairing the things that need repair and basically waiting for a sunny day to paint. Then in the water she goes. Hopefully by the 15th of this month. We are well and really enjoying being on the boat again. The cat is really doing well also. She got right back to her habits of hiding in every cubby she can get into. She seems content but wants to go out and can't because of the rain. Happy Mother's Day to all Mothers and to every family. Jack is going to take me to brunch on Mother's day even if I'm not his mother! Love to all and we will keep you posted on our progress and trip.

Sandy and Jack

GULF HARBORS YACHT CLUB OUTING BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES DINNER"

DATE: SATURDAY JUNE 7TH, 2008

PLACE: GULF HARBORS YACHT CLUB

TIME: 5:00 P.M. SOCIAL HOUR
6:00 DINNER

Call or e-mail Nancy at Nauticat@AOL.com
or sign up at our June 3rd meeting.

Racing News

April Race Report

It was promised to be a hoot, and as the day went on, it got hooter. The promise of picking your own handicap was fulfilled, and nine boats signed up for the event: *Grafz*, *Time 2 Cruise*, *Mr. Lucky*, *Inspiration*, *Murph's Ark*, *Lady in Red*, *Good Ship Lollipop*, *Soirée*, and *Wayward Wind*. The captains were very good about getting out as early as they could to take advantage of the wind and beat the storm that was forecast to blow in after noon.

Forever Young II set up at the start with Dunlop's and Seier's on board. AJ may have a vocation as announcer as his voice on the radio calling out start numbers was noted to be very clear and concise. Happ Harrison set up at turn one, Dennis and Ann Ballard at turn two, and George Martin and Vera set up at the final turn before the downwind leg home to the starter boat and buoy. By the time the race started at 1130, it was a very good thing that there were boats at the turns, since the buoys were appearing and disappearing in the waves of a Force 4 wind out of the south.

In the smaller-boat start, *Soirée* got the lead out of the chute, with *Murph's Ark* in hot pursuit, followed by *Grafz* and *Mr. Lucky*. Skip gave up a little time at the start, but was making it up rapidly on one leg...I mean leg one. Frank had Bob Straus on board to keep him in control, and had reefed the main in anticipation of a fast course. T-Bone and Laura were flying a lot of cloth and passed *Soirée* with a vengeance ahead of turn one. It's notable that T-Bone was having a tussle with his rudder since it had slipped its tether and was trailing his boat by over 30° from vertical. It was a problem, but he was handling it well...without a life jacket as he was hanging over gudgeons outside the boat. *Wayward Wind* had dropped out due to a tiller that was broken dealing with the increasing wind, even before the race started.

About this time, the bigger boats were getting ready to start. It is a testament to good boat handling and captain's skills that all five of the over-27's started within 49 seconds of the gun at 1140. It got interesting really fast as the smaller boats rounded turn one. It was a close-haul to turn two, in now-18 knot winds and building seas. On *Soirée*, the thoughts of eating lunch on the racecourse quickly turned to thoughts of how to replace the pitcher-full of Mary's bloody Mary's that were sloshing around on the cabin floor. T-Bone was trying to reef their main on *Murph's Ark*, as was Skip on *Grafz*, and the word mayhem was muttered onboard more than one vessel. *Soirée's* first mate had urged him to double reef the main and fly the smaller jib for this race, and heeding her advice kept him out of the dog house, so to speak.

About the time that the larger boats set out, the wind went up to Force 5, and simple tasks onboard got more difficult by the minute. Dennis and Ann were taking water over the bow on *Tropical Intrusion*, as was *Curious George*, but that didn't dampen their enthusiasm as the fleet passed their marks. A better cheering section would be hard to find, especially on a day like this. At Happ's boat, the lineup was *LIR*, *Inspiration*, *T2C* and *Good Ship Lolli*. Attrition was the rule of the day as

boats started to DOR in the second lap, either because of the impending tide fall, or the wind and waves. Luck was with the club in that no one got hurt controlling their craft and all made it to the dock safely. The order of boat's gross elapsed times was *Lady in Red*, *Inspiration*, *Soirée*, and *Time 2 Cruise*. When the fun race handicaps were applied, the winner was

Inspiration- First Place

Soirée- Second Place

Lady in Red- Third Place

Time 2 Cruise- Fourth Place

Special thanks to Happ Harrison, George Martin and Vera, Dennis Ballard and Ann, AJ and Linda Seier, and Fred and Nancy Dunlop for their untiring efforts to stay dry and keep the contestants inspired. Thanks also for all the pictures of the event.

Racing Director,

Jack

It's a long time until June 21st

When I look at how long we have to wait until we race again, it makes me want to schedule another contest. Since I'm the race director, I can do that on my own, but I want to see if there is any interest before I schedule a race. If we have sufficient interest, here's the plan:

Sunday June 1, 2008

2.5 tide from 0715 until 1315

Course- ½ mile beam reach out and back, direction to be determined race day after review of wind conditions.

Race type- relay, two complete laps.

Here are the particulars. Teams will be made up of two boats each, with as many teams as we need to accommodate the fleet. The 'A' boat from each team will start at the appointed time, together with the 'A' boat from each other team. You will run to a mark, round the mark, and return to the start gate. Once you cross the start/finish line, your team's 'B' boat may start. If they jump the gun and cross early, they have to do a penalty turn before they can start their leg of the relay. The 'B' boat of each team will then run to the mark and back to complete the relay. Scoring will be handicapped, as usual, and teams will be picked at random at the captain's meeting. Any sail is acceptable, as is any crew arrangement. No motors after the five minute warning.

Sound interesting? Give me a call or an email to let me know you want to race, and if we have four boats or more, we'll duke it out for bragging rights. If we have six or more boats, we'll schedule a cold one after the race. If we get 10 boats entered, I'll bring out the margarita machine.

Call me at 376-2501 and let me know you want to race, or email me at jkuhlmann@verizon.net. I guarantee it will be fun!

Your favorite racing director,

Jack

Members' News

June Birthdays

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|-----------------|----------|
| Curtis Jones | 6/1 |
| Ron Strauss | 6/1 |
| Chris Murray | 6/7 |
| Jack Mooney | 6/9 |
| Joy Henderson | 6/13 |
| Neva Goodman | 6/14 |
| Eve Gratton | Eve 6/15 |
| Brenda Kuhlmann | 6/16 |
| Sim Deinema | 6/17 |
| Helen Yacht | 6/18 |
| Nancy Colson | 6/23 |
| Ken Richardson | 6/24 |
| Jim Hookins | 6/28 |

June Anniversaries

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|----------------------------|-----------|
| Bill & Chris Murray | 6/7 |
| Bill & Digna Kelly | 6/11 |
| Jim & Karin Glessner | (22) 6/12 |
| Marty & Rosalie Piter (50) | 6/29 |
| Larry & Betty Candreva | 6/30 |

WELCOME ABOARD

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(Please correct in your Directory)

Madelaine

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Next Meeting Dates

The next GENERAL Meeting will be Tuesday, June 3rd
7:30PM at Signal Cove Club House.
The next board meeting will be Tuesday,
May 27th at Mary DelMar's 7PM.

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David Zimmer is the 2007 webmaster.
Phone: 727-856-0123 (home) and 727-638-
2346 (cell). Email: zimmerwd@yahoo.com

Address Changes

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

Boat US Group Program, Group benefits include:

Half-price Boat US Membership. HBYC members are en-
titled to a full Membership in Boat US for only \$12.50 -
that's 50% off the regular \$25 annual dues! Boat US
Member benefits include rebates at Boat US and West
Marine stores, discounts at marinas nationwide on fuel,
repairs, and overnight slips, on-the-water towing ser-
vices, highly-respected marine insurance, and much
more. Just mention our group ID number "GA-82061Y".

FOR SAIL/WANTED

Foxy is a well equipped Hunter 30', 1975 with a 4' draft.
Great for cruising with a Yanmar diesel 3GM30F (450
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Sink and Shower, Refrigerator and more. Ample Storage
Space. \$ 8,900 Call Derek Bennett at (727) 868 1378

Coleman Duracat catalytic heater. New in the box.
\$29. Call Fred @ 868-7042

New hatch cover and air directional grill for Carry-on air condi-
tioner \$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

1984, 33' Watkins Seawolf sailboat in excellent condition:
20hp Yanmar diesel, 4' draft, good sails w/roller furling, new
electronics, extensive work done on interior including new gal-
ley and much more. Call Ken @ 727-207-3316 or 727-844-
5515 for more details. Asking \$35K

Looking for a Catamaran, probably a Gemini. Any GOOD
leads call Happ at 727 480 7091

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

May Breakfast on the Beach

Our May Breakfast on the Beach will be May 18th at 9AM and it will be a full breakfast- eggs, bacon, potato/sausage casserole, juices and coffee. The price is \$3.00 if you have signed up and \$4.00 if you just show up. Donna needs help for this one as a lot of the committee members will be out of town. Please call if you can help, also if you haven't signed up you can call Donna on her cell until Wednesday the 14th. Her number is in the directory.

What favorite dockage requires the same heading as the temperature of boiling water and forming ice to get in and out of? Use standard Fahrenheit units and assume sea level altitude to obtain correct answers.

Join us for good food and great fellowship and maybe see a dolphin or two.

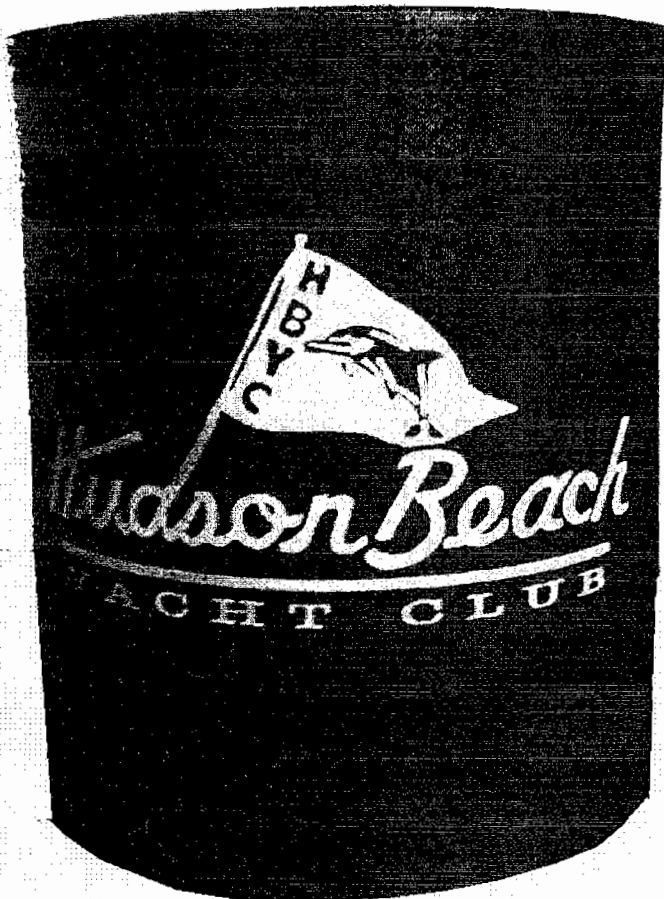
Fair winds and following seas,

Cheryl and Donna

Finance News

HBVC Koozies!

The cost is \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Ralph & Donna



It Worked For Me!

The intent of this column is to provide a forum for members to share their successes (and failures) in maintaining, upgrading, modifying, or just plain sailing or piloting their boats.

If anyone would like to submit a column, just send it to Mary Reed, hbycmarker2@earthlink.net and she can include it, space permitting, in a future edition of Marker 2.

Expensive Oversight

Raw water pumps should be regularly inspected for even minor drippage from the pump's weep hole. I assumed that a small amount of water coming through the seal was not an immediate problem. **WRONG!** Within a very short amount of running time the salt water had sprayed the whole area and corroded the endcap, screws, the whole surrounding engine area and destroyed the pump shaft and bearings. Needless to say it proved to be quite expensive, even after rebuilding the pump myself.

Surprise number two. While servicing the genset a small amount of water appeared in the catch tray beneath the unit. Yep, the raw water pump was leaking a small amount. What appeared to be a small issue that required replacing an inexpensive seal turned out to be over \$100 in bearings and a new shaft.

Moral of the story: if the pump is even a little bit damp around the weep holes rebuild or replace immediately.

Regards, Fred Dunlop

Room For Rent Restful place to live! New Port Richey area. One bedroom in a private home. Includes: Private bath, walk-in closet, cable, fenced in yard, parking, landscaped, electric and water. Furnished! All you need is your suit case. \$450.00 per month Close to parks, beach, pier, and marina Call Joanne 727 207 0098 or 727 849 9948 References requested

General Meeting Minutes May 6, 2008

Note: these minutes were transcribed by Gene with the notes from Madelaine. Any resemblance to what really happened is coincidental!

Opening

The regular meeting of the Hudson Beach Yacht Club was called to order at 7:30 on May 6, 2008 by Commodore Gene Michaux.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were unanimously approved as distributed.

Reports

Vice Commodore, Gene gave Paul's report

The Blessing of the Fleet went very well and 12 boats attended.

There was four boats inspection done in the month of April and each person received 3 free 50/50 tickets. Roy Garcia gave an outstanding *safety first* report on how NOT to chase your dingy when it gets loose in a blow. It was a great reminder how simple situations can possibly cost you your life if you don't think out what you're planning to do.

Mary Knowles, Purser gave the Purser report, balance on hand March 25, 2008, \$4548.83; Income \$697.75; Expenses \$1860.21; Balance on Hand, April 28, 2008 \$3386.37.

Madelaine Woodman, Membership, welcomed 2 new members and several guests to the meeting. New members Alice O'Connell and Helen Bridges were introduced.

Madelaine asked that some of our members have still not picked up their directories. She said they could be picked up during the meeting or by contacting her.

Cheryl Dering, Social, reminded all that breakfast on the beach is May 18th, at 9:00 and the price is \$3.00 if you have signed up and \$4.00 if you just show up. It will be a full breakfast but she needs help for this one. Please call her if you can help. Cheryl also thanked the social committee and all the members who brought a covered dish for the meeting. As usual it was very good and a lot of recipes were used from the "cookbook".

Gene announced that the "Commodores Poker Picnic" will be on June 14th at the Colson/Sperry Ranch. Probably start around 13:00 and cost will be \$7.00 per person and that includes a free poker hand. As usual this is a POT LUCK but Dogs, Burgers, Brats and the

fixin's supplied by the club. Prize to be announced soon. Margarita machine will be there by popular demand.

Dave Zimmer, Website, talked about the Treasure Hunt on April 26th. 44 pirates attended and proceeded to dig up the entire Durney Key looking for treasure. Best costume for the men went to George Martin and women to Patty. If you couldn't attend you missed a great time Dave is working on the web site to allow a photo upload.

Linda Baker, Public Relation, talked about the article that appeared in the St. Pete Times on the Caladesi cruise.

Donna Ray, Finance and HBYC Products, talked about the new BURGEES that have arrived for sale.

They will cost \$22.00. Check them out their awesome!

Don Himes, Past Commodore, said he has created the "Golden Cooler" awards. Seems the cruise director was parked at Sam's before the race? Thanks to "TIKI BAR" for the assist. I believe that's a common spot right Don? Commodore Gene called a 10 minute break for refreshments.

Jim Glessner, Cruising, talked about the April Memorial Day Cruise to Dunedin and points south. Don Himes will be fleet captain for the weekend. See web for info and call Jim or Don for info. Don't miss this one, 'cause there will be dinning and dancing for everyone even if you don't have a boat.

Mary Reed, Marker 2, If anyone has items to sell send your article to Mary and she will post it.

The first secret mystery question is; what is a gudgeon? Mary announced that Ernie and Edna have received awards for their outstanding work with the CG auxiliary. Edna has done vessel safety checks on over 1000 boats and was recognized as #1 in the nation!!

Jack Kuhlmann, Racing, Gene read Jack's report on the Fun Race. 1st Inspiration, 2nd Soiree, 3rd Lady In Red

Old Business

Secret question had 5 winners and a runner up.

New Business:

John Cover said check out the Hudson beach link on the web. Neet stuff.

Car show/meet at Sam's on the 17th.

50/50 drawing, three winners. Vera, Guy and Robbie S.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00pm

Minutes submitted by:

Madelaine and Gene for Mary DelMar

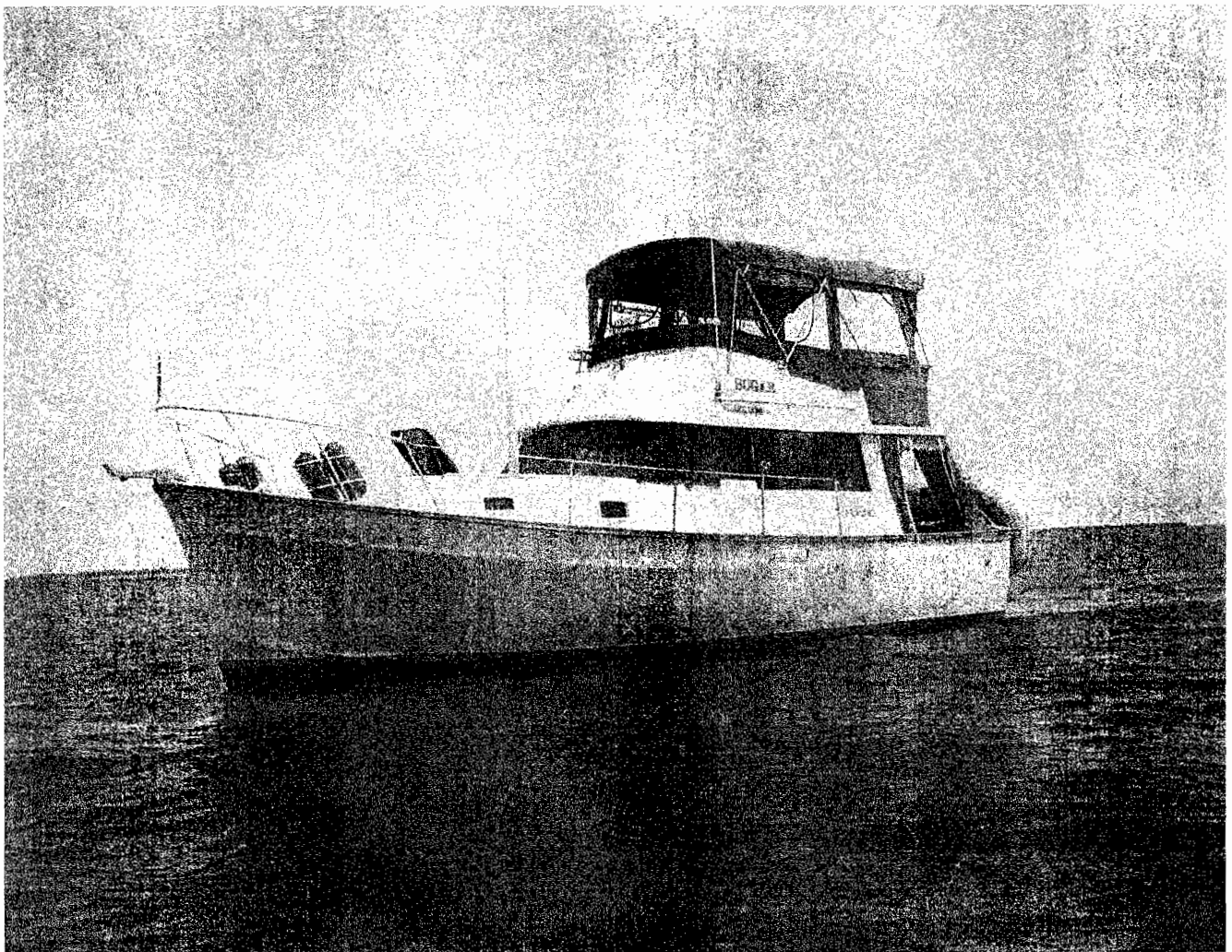
What is the fastest fish to be clocked at 68.1mph for 100 yards?

MYSTERY QUESTION!! The FIRST 4 callers get 3 50/50 ticket and 5th caller with correct answer gets 5 tickets. **As long as you DO NOT CALL AFTER PM. Call Gene at 862-7799.**

Offered to HBYC members, families and friends. Mainship, 34' length, 12' beam and only a 3' draft. Yanmar diesel with ZF transmission; 5KW Kohler generator; Quick Windlass; Raymarine auto pilot, Garmin 498 GPS. Meticulously maintained and ready to cruise. Marine Heat pump (heat/air), Electric hot water heater. 9' West Marine Dinghy and Mercury 4 hp engine with Weaver Snap davit system. New (07) Magma Propane barbecue grill. Full upper canvas

enclosure and aft enclosure. 210 gallons fuel, 18 gallon day tank and 80 gallons water. Lectrasan Sanitation System along with an 8 gallon holding tank. 3 Burner Propane stove and oven; Norcold 3.2 cubic refrigerator; microwave; built in Sony AM/FM/CD stereo and speakers; 13" color television with VCR/DVD. 600 Watt Inverter. The upgrades are too many to list. Must see to appreciate. **Limited time offer of only \$58,000.** After June 15th "**Sugar**" will be listed with a yacht broker in Tarpon Springs for \$67,500. *This boat is ready to cruise – it even has over 100 gallons of fuel!* If you are looking for a comfortable and economical cruiser – This is the one! **Contact: David Ergle at 863 9678.**

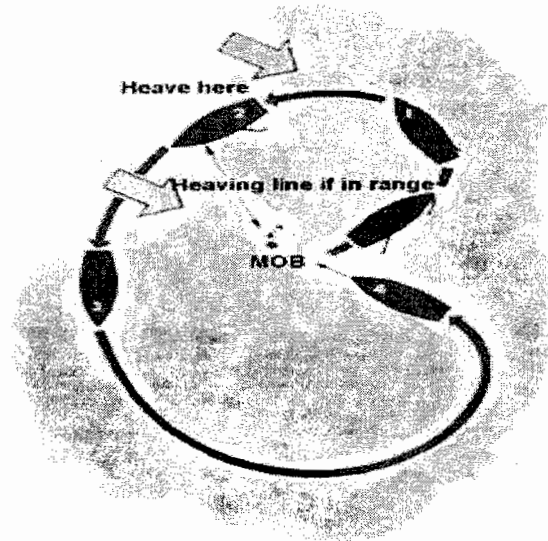
Sugar



MOB WITH AN ENGINE

To stay as close to the person in the water as possible:

1. Come up to wind and tack, leaving headsail cleated so that boat stops hove to.
2. Throw a heaving line to the person in the water, if in range and haul alongside.
3. If not within heaving line range:
 - start the engine
 - lower or furl the headsail
 - sheet the main sail amidships.
4. Motor to leeward of the person in the water and approach him/her head to wind.



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Gene Michaux, Commodore

*Meets the first Tuesday of each
month at 7:30 pm at the
Signal Cove Clubhouse,
13139 Tiller Drive,
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Sailors and powerboaters with or without boats are welcome!