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THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

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Third Annual Women at the Helm race is fast approaching!!!

ATTENTION LADIES



This is the chance you have been waiting for. YOU will be in charge of that sail boat and show your husband, boyfriend or the guy you sail with how it's done. We are planning a two lap event of about six miles. Exact start time and course waypoint info to follow.

The date is **May 9th** and the captains meeting will be at **09:00** at the south pavilion. The start will be around 11:00 or so. At this point all boats will start at the same time.

Please give me a call or e-mail if you plan on entering your boat or need a ride.

Admiral Chris
Race Director
Pro Tempore



Commodore's Corner

April 2009

Now that I've been retired for awhile, the time has come to re-evaluate my position in life and revise the course for the future. Since my retirement, I have never been so busy, never get a day off and have lost my rights to five weeks vacation. What's wrong with this picture? I realize that some people soon get board with all this time on their hands but I just can't figure it out. I can't imagine life without a little nap every day. I'm exhausted! Oh well.

What does "Pro Tempore" mean?

HBYC is on a roll. Breakfast on the Beach, Sailboat Races on the Gulf, and Picnics at Caladesi--- Life is good. Our little club is very active and as we move into summer we can expect thunder storms, love bugs and plenty of activities for everyone. We have welcomed several new members and look forward to having more friends participate in our events.

Blessing of the Fleet was well attended with eighteen boats. A very special thanks to Reverend Lee Ferdon for a wonderful ceremony and beautiful weather.

Coming up in April is the BoB on the 18th followed later that day by the rejuvenation of our maritime exhibit at Safety Town. For you newbie's, HBYC was one of the first exhibitors at Safety Town. It was established and built due to the outstanding efforts of our senior members and a Boat US grant. Safety Town does a great job of exposing over 9000 students a year to a "mini town" of the real world. Banks, churches, Home Depot, bicycle safety, a helicopter, water safety, a Mickey D's and other good stuff that is important to our generation of young minds development. Let me know if you can come out and help.

We have two races scheduled for this month. Our Race Director has them scheduled for the 11th and the 25th. The 25th is Saint Martins and is the longest race of the season. Some who have entered in the past still have not returned to the Hud.

May 9th is the Third annual Woman at the Helm Race. See info on the web and in Marker 2 for details. Chris will be the Race Directress.

Enough for now. My wife says I have to go to New Jersey to visit relatives. Help!

Gene

Members' News

May 2009 BIRTHDAYS

Ergle	Carol	5/5
Pecoraro	Robert	5/6
Reed	Mary	5/8
Verbeke	Will	5/9
Hillman	Richard	5/11
Brown	Bonnie	5/15
Thomas	David	5/15
Del Mar	Mary	5/16
Reed	Micheal	5/16
Levesque	Bob	5/17
Yates	Robert	5/22
Beck	Tom	5/27
Woja	Patti	5/28

May 2009 ANNIVERSARIES

Roberts	Bill & Betty	5/3
Piper	Bill & Angie	5/6
Grammer	Rick & Linda	5/8
Brown	Wayne & Bonnie	5/10
Harrison	Happ & Deb	5/11
Ballard	Dennis & Ann	5/14
Murray	Joe & Donna	5/16
Himes	Don & Terri	5/29

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Racing News

St. Martins Race

Saturday April 25, 2009

Captains Meeting: 09:00

South Pavilion - Hudson Beach

Race Start - All Boats: 11:15

Entry Fee: \$15.00 per boat (Includes one tee shirt per boat)

Course:

* FR - 10

* St Martins Sea Buoy

* FR - 10

We will do one round trip for a 16.1nm total course length. There will be a cut off time TBA the Captains Meeting. A trophy will be awarded for 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place finishers.

Each entry will include one tee shirt and we are also making up extra race tee shirts for anyone who wishes to purchase one. They are \$10 and can be ordered by emailing or calling me with the sizes and number of each size that you want. You should mail a check for the extra shirts to Mary Knoll at the club's address on Marker2.

Please bring your race registration money to the Captain's meeting.

Keep an eye on the website and your email for more information.

Don Himes

Race Director

Social Directors

Breakfast on the Beach will be on April 18th at 9:00.

Come and Join us for a wonderful hot breakfast. Call (727-514-9730) or email (MercieL@aol.com) by Thursday, April 16th for your \$3.00 reservation.

Thanks to all of the people who have brought the "goodies" to all of our General meetings. We want you to know that your contributions are not only delicious, but very importantly, Mary Knowles informed us that you are contributing to the club's budget. We have saved money because of you. Thanks, again.

Eighty two people came to our General Meeting in March. It was a great business and social meeting with a lot of laughter and good food. If you haven't been to our meetings, come and join us. Our first General Meeting Potluck will be on May 5th. You will be getting other announcements before then. We are looking forward to seeing you the meeting.

Our Social Committee efforts to support Gene and Chris Michaux with the Caladesi Potluck has been very successful. HBYC Social Committee committed to help anyone who wishes to have any event and provide them with planning, support, and supplies. The 60 people that signed up had a good time and the food was awesome. Thanks to everyone for making this a successful event. Remember, if you have an idea and want to have an "HBYC party", call us. We are there for you.

Fifty-nine people came to our Breakfast on the Beach in March. Our hot breakfast hit the spot. HBYC members made a special effort to reach out to the new members. Several of the new members expressed their thanks for helping them feel welcome. Thanks, to our fellow HBYC members for helping with the Social Committee's theme for the year, "Reaching Out".

Don't forget to join us in April and Early May:

- 1) General Meeting with Potluck: May 5th at the Signal Cove Community Building at 6:00 PM
- 2) Hot Breakfast on the Beach on April 18th, at 9:00

Hope to see you there,

Don't forget, mark December 5th on your calendar for the Christmas Party.

Mercie ,Nancy and The Motley Crew

Our next Social Committee Meeting will be at Linda Baker's house on Tuesday, May 19th at 7:00. We welcome visitors. Come and join us for some fun and to share ideas. Call Mercie if you have any questions.

General Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2009

Opening:

Commodore Gene Michaux called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. on April 7, 2009.

Mike Reed spoke on VHF communications (ham radio) as it relates to boaters. Participants can get a heads up on weather. The repeat system gives you more mileage to raise someone. Classes are available to learn amateur radio and how to properly install the radio on your boat.

Approval of Minutes:

The members approved the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed.

Reports:

Vice-Commodore Paul Kendrick reported that the Blessing of the Fleet was a success with a good turnout.

Purser Mary Knowles reported the following: balance on hand on March 1, 2009 was \$5699.21; income was \$583.25; expenses were \$778.92; and balance on hand March 31, 2009 was \$5503.54.

Membership Director Deb Harrison welcomed guests, who introduced themselves. We have 85 memberships and 148 individual members. See her for new member packets.

Social Director Mercie Lopez thanked the ladies who brought desserts to the meeting. The May meeting will be potluck. It will start at 6 p.m. with the meeting starting at 7:30. Those who signed up to make May desserts will be asked to make them for the June meeting.

Forty-three people came to Caladesi, where there was great food and good weather. The hamburgers were the best ever. Please e-mail her with any suggestions on making the outing even better. Also, 60 people signed up and 40 came, resulting in over-buying food. In the future, please let her know if you sign up for an event, but cannot come.

The Breakfast on the Beach went well. The next BOB is on April 18th. The next social committee meeting is on May 19th at Linda Baker's—visitors welcome.

Donna Murray (for Finance Director Jane Sperry) stated that the new license plates (with a picture of some of our boats) are on sale for \$8 apiece, two for \$15. Cookbooks are still two for the price of one at \$7. Burgees, cozies, hats and jackets are available.

Cruising Director Guy Colson thanked Gene for taking his Guy's role in his absence in planning Caladesi. There were nine boats there and 43 people. There were no groundings!

Sign up for the Hooters Cruise on May 30th. You can go by boat or car. Meet at 1:00 at the Hooters on Cody Road. We have an air-conditioned room. He must have a head count ahead of time. Also, contact Guy if you are interested in the mid-April cruise to the Dry Tortugas.

Jason Saunders of Sentry Fuel Treatments spoke on the perils of adding fuel with ethanol to boat engines. He demonstrated how his company's additives prevented damage.

Four people answered the mystery question correctly: AJ, Les, Patti, and Victor.

The meeting broke for refreshments.

Website Director Dave Zimmer said the website is up and running at myhbyc.com. He is collecting jewelry for the Treasure Hunt in October.

Communications Director Mary Reed needs all articles, ads, etc. for the Marker2 by the Friday after meetings. We are collecting ink cartridges for credit at Staples.

Dick German of Signal Cove Owners, Inc. announced raffle prizes—an HDTV, a rod and reel, and a Sony digital camera-- for their December 7th drawing. The tickets are \$5 and you need not be present to win. A portion of the proceeds go to charity. He will come by again in October.

Dick also asked for any "nostalgia" pictures of the community of Signal Cove for its website. He noted that the shallow waters in the area made this rumrunner country during Prohibition years.

Racing Director Don Himes noted that, due to the cancellation of the Spring Fling, the rescheduled race will be on April 11th. It is a timed race, with the captains' meeting at 9:00 a.m. Sign up for t-shirts. The longest race (16 miles), St Martin's, is on April 25th.

Other Business:

The Safety Town project is set for April 18th at 11:00 after the BOB. We need people to help paint and do some carpentry.

There was one 50/50 drawing for \$50.50—won by Hap Harrison!

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Bonnie Brown, Yeoman

It Could Work for Me...

Cruise Anyone?

I am taking my catamaran " Here Today" to the Bahamas, Turks Caicos, Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and south to Bonair. It will be mostly easy cruising and enjoying the sights and islands. Swimming, snorkeling and sailing. Maybe throw in a few rum punches and sunset dinners ☺. Anyone that wishes to crew, anywhere along the way please e-mail me the possible dates you can come. Some said they wanted to go but still e-mail me even if you are not sure of dates to let me know. This way I can start a list and keep you informed of my whereabouts.

Remember, it's a tough job but someone has to do it ☺

Laurel

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"Count Stars. Listen to the Wind. Laugh. Play. Dream."

INK CARTRIDGES WANTED

If you usually toss your empty print cartridges, how about tossing them our way at the next General Meeting? We recycle them and get reward checks to apply toward Marker 2 printing.

FOR SAIL/WANTED

Honda EV2000I generator for \$800 and the boat A.C. still in box for \$400 Call Karen 727 868 5444

FOR SALE 2004, 20ft, T-top Caravelle, 150HP Yamaha 4 stroke. Call 727 505 5542 Make offerfer A J.Seier

"If anybody is interested in buying my Hunter 30 please call or e-mail me as I have just bought another sailboat and I don't really want twoll

Please reply to: robann2008@verizon.net or call 727-505-1828 Rob Musgrove"

AVAILABLE, Dock, Signal Cove, with electric and water. Fred 727-868-7042 or 727-365-2577

A Garmin GPS 120XL, for sale. It has the receiver, antenna with cable, power cord and owners manual.

No maps, uses only GPS way points. \$50. Call Bill Mather at 727-863-5378

I need to find a trailer that will accommodate a 26 foot Chris Craft Corinthian (8,500 Lbs.) to use for a week or so in order to clean bottom and props as well as align rudders, I may want to paint the bottom also while it is out of the water, any help will be appreciated.

Victor Tropiano 813-968-3838

We have two converter boxes with remote, for the digital change over brand new, for \$12.00 each. Call Dave at 869-0672

Electric Davits by Davit Master. Each holds 3.500 lbs. 1 Pole Davit and 1 Base Davit. \$400.00 each. Call Roy Garcia at 727 861-7453 or 727 207-1563.

For Sale

Sieman 75w solar panel \$199.99

ICOM SSB M700UK with AT120 tuner \$750.00

100' Furano cable \$45.00

Skipper Chair with bracket \$65.00

Carolina Skiff 16' 30hp Yamaha 4 stroke, center consol, trailer, new bimini \$6,500

1986 Herreshoff cat ketch, carbon fiber masts, all around canvas, electric windlass, vhf, davits, 10' Avon dinghy, 3.5 Tahatsu ob, auto-helm. wind, speed, depth \$35,000

Laurel 727 264 6514 or 727 277 9110

All hands on deck !

Apologies to the April birthday people whose names were omitted in last month's Marker 2.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

Bridges	Helen	4/8
Brown	Wayne	4/18
Piper	Bill	4/18
Peppler	Byron	4/20
Goldsborough	Randal	4/25
Alward	Ron	4/29

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Next Meeting Dates

- The next GENERAL Meeting with Potluck will be Tuesday, May 5th, 6PM at Signal Cove Club House.
- BOARD Meeting will be Tuesday, April 28th at Mary Knowles.

Marker 2 e-mail

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

Address Changes

If you change your address, email address or telephone number, please contact Deb Harrison debharrison@ij.net and Dave Zimmer see above Webmaster email.

MYSTERY QUESTIONS !?!

How many boats on the new HBYC license plate?

Who are they?

As long as you DO NOT CALL AFTER 9PM! Call Gene at 862-7799

Right answer = TICKETS

Meet our Members by: Bonnie Brown, Yeoman

Our members are the most important part of our club. Each month the Marker2 will feature one or two members, from "seasoned sailors" to those who have more recently "come aboard."



Searchlight on Linda Baker

Linda is from Cochran, a small town of 900 in Northwest Pennsylvania and Beaver, PA, to which she moved at age 5. She met David Iben in second grade, and they remained "just friends" through high school.

Linda recalls lovely summers in Ohio each year staying with her grandparents after taking the train by herself. There she played baseball with nine neighborhood boys—great training for a future single mom with three boys. Following a stint as a stay-at-home mom, Linda managed a doctor's office for 15 years. She also bought, fixed up, and sold real estate.

Although her marriage to an architect did not last, she did learn design and drafting concepts while helping him study. She now uses these skills in her current position with Hallmark. Linda oversees area stores, ensuring that they execute their Hallmark plans and display their cards correctly.

Linda's interest in boating began in PA, where she power boated on the Beaver River. It picked up again when she reconnected with David Iben after 35 years. They met again through classmates.com, became a couple, and moved to Florida together in 2003.

Although Linda and David joined our club three years ago, they are still looking for the "right" boat. This is Linda's second year as Publicity Director for what she calls our "wonderful group."

Linda has two teenage hockey-playing grandsons in PA and—finally a girl—a 9-year-old granddaughter in NYC who plays violin. Linda's favorite food is eggplant parmesan. She loves to feed the birds and to recondition old items, such as picture frames, found in thrift shops. Kind and creative, that is Linda.

Searchlight on David Iben:

David was born in Canton, Ohio, but moved to Beaver, PA at age 5. He grew up on his family's farm where they raised horses for trail rides and held horse shows. David even rode a horse on his paper route!

At school, David always sat near Linda Lewis (now Baker) because of alphabetical order. On the last day of school each year, he rode his horse the 6-7 miles to school—a tradition in his rural community.

In 1961 David enlisted in the Navy and spent more than three years at sea. He worked guided missile radar and computers on the U.S.S. Long Beach, then the world's only nuclear powered cruiser. In 1964 he joined the UDT (Underwater Demolition Team), which became the Navy SEALs. He served in that capacity for 16 months in Vietnam and Cambodia.

Following his tour of duty, David sold lab equipment. Then, inspired by the movie "Easy Rider," he and a buddy took off on their motorcycles for three years (1974-76). They crossed the U.S. three times, on different routes, taking back roads in order to meet "real" people.

David then worked as an insurance agent for ten years in Culpeper, VA, where he took up sailing on Lake Anna and reconnected with Linda Baker. He joined our club to gather information on selecting a boat and for the social events. David enjoys the variety of interesting, fun people in the group.

David's son lives in Ohio, his daughter in Miami. His favorite food is mashed potatoes and his hobby is collecting guns. Last year he left his job as a funeral home family service counselor because he was on call 24/7. He now works part time in the new Walmart's electronics department, which is close by, fun, and no stress. Keep on "easy riding," David.

Health and Safety

SHOCK

Simply, Shock is the condition in which the tissues of the body (muscles, brain, organs, etc.) cannot receive enough oxygen carrying blood to sustain life; unless corrected. Shock may come from excessive bleeding, hypothermia, hypothermia, heart attack, spinal injury, exposure to toxic materials (such as biological agents they may be sensitive to, or allergic to. Some marine toxins can do this such as the Box Jelly Fish, as well as other conditions.

Symptoms of shock include a rapid, weak pulse. This is because the heart is beating as quickly as it can to circulate blood, but there isn't enough pressure to accomplish this. Breathing may be shallow, rapid and irregular for the same reason. The skin will be cold and covered with sweat (clammy). This is a part of the inability of the body to circulate warm blood to the skin, but the dilation of the sweat cells causing them to release cooling sweat. The pupils will be dilated as the loss of oxygen prevents the iris from contacting properly, or the brain from being aware of the outside world.

The treatment spelled out by the Coast Guard includes keeping the victim flat on their back with the feet raised higher than the rest of the body. This causes blood to be concentrated in the brain. Keep the victim warm by using blankets, and do not give them anything to eat or drink. This is to keep the victim from aspirating and choking.

Edna Schwabe



Vessel Safety Checks

The U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary offers free vessel safety checks to boaters who wish to promote their own boating safety. If you are interested in a Vessel Safety Check you can schedule an individual date and time for an inspection with our very own Ernie and Edna Schwabe at 727-861-3341 or e-mail them at eeschwabe@yahoo.com . They will schedule you in as soon as possible.

The Vessel Examiners who perform these checks are specially trained Auxiliarists who are kept informed on the latest legal requirements for boaters. They have no legal authority - their goal is to prevent boaters from getting equipment-related citations and to prevent safety-related accidents.

These safety checks are meant to be an educational experience. The Vessel Examiners will check for all required items on board your boat and if everything is present and in good working order, they will award you with a spiffy decal to affix to your boat AND club members get 3 FREE 50/50 tickets at the next meeting. (And a cook book at ½ price) The Vessel Examiners will gladly explain the reason for the various safety equipment requirements and explain how safety equipment works. Let's all work to make 2009 a Safe and enjoyable boating year.

Paul Kendrick, Vice Commodore



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Gene Michaux, Commodore

*Meets the first Tuesday of each
month at 7:30 pm at the
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Sailors and powerboaters with or without boats are welcome!



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