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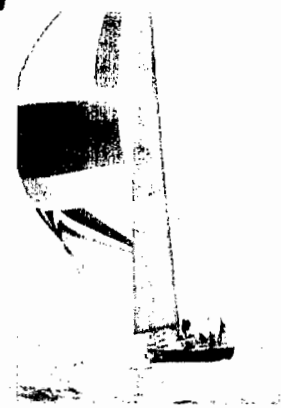
THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

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HBYC January Fun Race

"Super Bowl Dash"

January 31, 2009

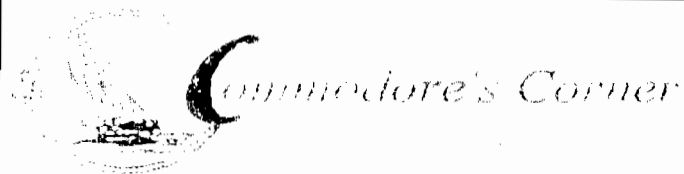


Captain's Meeting - 08:30
Start - 27' & Under - 14:15
Start - Over 27' - 14:25
Course: TBA

Since our first race is so close to the Super Bowl I'd like to ask that we all recognize the fact that Tampa is the host city by donning our favorite team's colors for the race. Please wear the team jersey to the captain's meeting and the race.

We will meet at Sam's or a place TBA after the race for some grog and tall tales.

If you are at 28 22N and 82 40W, where in the world are you?



January 2009

Here we are at the start of 2009 with another activity filled year ahead. Cruises, races, raft ups, picnics, treasure hunts and a poker picnic to name a few. We need you to help out and discover how to get more out of your club. Yes it will take some of your time and coordination with other members. No experience is necessary but there's no better feeling than a job well done and seeing people with similar interest having a great time. Give me or Merci, of the social committee, a call if you want to take the plunge. The water is always perfect, especially if you're from the north. Enough of the advertisement.

What is the difference between "set" and "drift"?

I would like to thank the officers and board of 2008 for a great year and an enthusiasm that gave us many memorable events. Their dedication to your club was unquestionable. We are looking forward to 2009 and a year of "something for everyone".

For those who could not attend, the Christmas Party was the greatest! It felt like I was back in High school with the greasers, coll'ege, geeks and even a pregnant senior. Food was fantastic and plenty, music was perfect-not too fast, not too slow and the ladies were beautiful. (And hot!) The DJ was remarkable especially when we lost power and he just moved ALL his equipment to another part of the building. (Actually, the "dark" area reminded me of the balcony of the Strand Theater on a Saturday night!) Oh my!

The team this year has some great adventures planned starting with a Fun Race at the end of January (weather permitting) and a cruise to Crystal River at the end of February. (For an extra treat take your mother in law along, I will!) Plenty of events are planned for power, sail and no boaters. We need your input! Don't be bashful if you have some new ideas, let us know. Not everything will work but this is your club and if you are willing to extend yourself, we will try to accommodate.

Looking forward to another great year.

Enough for now, my wife says I have to take down the Christmas decorations. **Gene**

Members' News

February 2009 BIRTHDAYS

Donna Murray 2/3
Bess-Mae Jones 2/11
Lila Hookins 2/12
Darlene Miller 2/14
Roberta Eagly 2/15
Cheryl Dering 2/17
Frank J. Lomozik 2/18
Teresa Downing 2/20
Ray Miller 2/22

February 2009 ANNIVERSARIES

Dana & Janie Goodwin 2/4
Ron & Valery Strauss 2/6
Curtis & Bess-Mae Jones 2/11
Jim & Lila Hookins 2/12
Ron & Merci Alward/Lopez 2/14
Ernie & Edna Schwabe 2/14
Al & Barbara Friedmann 2/19
Frank & Wendy Verbeke 2/22
Dave & Yvonne Wheatley 2/24

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21' ChrisCraft (no name)

Racing News

The 2009 HBYC Fun Race season is here. We have planned a full schedule of races that should give everyone an opportunity to participate.

I want to encourage all sailors and potential crew to make every effort to get out and race this year. Our races are designed to be fun and competitive. We don't follow strict USSA Racing Rules and have our own rules that supersede formal racing rules. That's because our goal has two parts: **Fun & Safety**.

I encourage all captains to make room for any member who wants to crew and I encourage all members who want to race to let us know so we can match you with a boat. Again the operative focus is to have fun and enjoy the competition.

Here is the 2009 HBYC Fun Race Calendar:

Date	>2.2	<2.2	Time window	Event
1/31/2009	13:30	17:45	4 hr 15 min	Super Bowl Dash
2/28/2009	12:00	16:45	4 hr 45 min	Fun Race
3/28/2009	11:45	17:00	5 hr 15 min	Spring Fling - Cruise?
4/25/2009	10:30	16:00	5 hr 30 min	St Martins - Cruise?
5/9/2009	10:00	16:20	6 hr 20 min	Women at the Helm
6/13/2009	13:50	19:15	5 hr 20 min	Fun Race
7/11/2009	12:50	18:30	6 hr 40 min	Fun Race
8/8/2009	12:00	18:00	6 hr	Skandia Cup
9/19/2009	11:20	17:20	6 hr	Fun Race
10/3/2009	10:45	16:20	5 hr 35 min	Full Moon Regatta - Race to either Anclote or Clearwater - Spend the Night - Race back
10/17/2009	10:50	16:30	5 hr 40 min	Hudson to Hooters
11/14/2009	9:20	14:15	4 hr 55 min	End of Season Fun Race

Let's have a great year of fun and friendly competition.

Don Himes

Race Director

Social Directors

Breakfast on the Beach..Hot Breakfast.
Hudson Beach South Pavilion
Feb. 28, SATURDAY, 9AM ..it is a race day.
More information at February General meeting.
Looking forward to seeing you there.

Nancy Colson and Mercie Lopez

It worked for me

Recently my 3 year old Garmin 72 kept shutting down and the screen had a line down the middle. I contacted Garmin tech support and asked what was happening. Changes to the WAAS system has created a need to adjust the units software. The temporary fix is: with unit indoors press start button - when satellite screen appears quickly press menu twice - scroll to set-up - press enter - scroll to WAA S - enter - select disable. For the permanent fix go the Garmin web site and down load the patch.

My son bought me an automotive rear view remote camera unit. It works great and will be helpful in detecting yahoo's coming from behind with large wakes. The unit should also make backing into a slip a lot easier. The units cost between \$59 and \$99 at Walmart and auto parts stores.

Regards, Fred

The Library Corner

Many of you may not be aware that we have a Library. Well we do, and we will have it on display at the February meeting. Members may borrow any of the books for one month. Wait until you see all the good books we have for you, but you can't take them all - limit two books per person per month. Also we are looking for donations of books, tapes and CD's, preferably with a nautical theme.

See you in February. Madelaine.

MYSTERY QUESTION !?!

What goes good with rum and coke?

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

Right answer = TICKETS!!

Cruising Clips

With the winter solstice behind us, it's time, at least here in Florida, to start thinking about and planning for the cruising season. But before getting into that, I'd like to thank this year's Racing Director, Don Himes, for filling in on my behalf at the January "Change of Watch" meeting. I was away doing a different sort of cruising (or would it better be termed "careening"?) down the side of some mountains in southern VT with a couple of boards strapped to my feet. And I only experienced one "grounding" if you get my drift. Enough of that!

For 2009, my objectives as Cruise Director are threefold:

1. To capitalize on some of the past successful cruises we've done as a club, but also...
2. To encourage communication between club members regarding their own individual cruising plans, thereby hopefully offering even more cruising opportunities to our members than just what the club is proposing.

To continue with the concept of "something for everyone", by planning club sponsored cruises of both short and longer durations. And did I mention to "HAVE FUN"?

Our first club cruise of the year will be Crystal River (King's Bay) in February. If you didn't hear about it at the January meeting, you should find a flyer for it elsewhere in this edition of Marker 2. More information and flyers will be available at our next meeting on February 3rd. It has been a really fun cruise in the past, and this year it will be in the peak of the manatee season, so bring your cameras!

Again, I would encourage anyone who has cruises planned to consider opening them up to other club members. And I would certainly be willing to be the focal point for communicating them to the club. Further, I would appreciate any and all ideas or suggestions you might have for cruises in the coming year.

Each month in this column I will also include a meaningful definition of a cruising term. This month the word is "Current", which means "a tidal flow that carries a boat away from its desired destination or toward a hazard".

Now let's plan on "Getting Out There" this year!



All hands on deck !

**TO INSURE THAT YOU
WILL BE CORRECTLY
LISTED IN THE
2009 DIRECTORY,
HUSTLE YOUR STEPS,
PLEASE PAY YOUR DUES BY
OR AT THE
FEBRUARY 3RD MEETING 😊**

Next Meeting Dates

- The next GENERAL Meeting will be Tuesday, February 3rd, 7:30PM at Signal Cove Club House.
- BOARD Meeting will be Monday, February 24th 7PM

Marker 2 e-mail

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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.



Crystal River Cruise

Depart Feb 20th

Return 25th - 26th

We 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:

- **Optional - Friday 20th** - 20:00 hrs to 23:30 hrs > Depart dock and head out channel. Anchor off Marker 2 on Monday night.
- **Saturday 21st** - For those who anchored - 07:30 - 08:00 departure. For those who come out Saturday the plus 2.2 tide is around 10:00. We will head north to Crystal River - Shell Island to anchor over night. Total trip is 41-45 nm depending on wind directions and course headings.
- **Sunday 22nd** - Motor from Shell Island anchorage to Kings Bay anchorage. Late morning - early afternoon - dink exploration of springs and manatee watching. Evening - dinner ashore.
- **Monday 23rd** - Another day of the same or head out (depending on weather and each boat captain). Evening to be decided by boats remaining.
- **Tuesday - (24th - 25th)** - Kings Bay & Crystal River exploration.
- **Thursday - 26th** - Return trip. Each boat should plan for a full day sail/motor back from CR. Will plan to anchor off Marker 2 on the 26th and come in Friday morning. If you're OK with coming in at night, Hudson Channel will have a tide window between 23:30 and 03:00.

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

General Meeting Minutes

HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

January 6, 2009

Opening

Following a delicious potluck dinner, Commodore Gene Michaux called the regular meeting to order on January 6, 2009.

Gene presented the "Eight Bells" Memorial Plaque as including Derek Bennett and Gary Lovel, members lost in 2008. He then called for the ring of eight bells and a moment of silence in their honor.

Gene also thanked the retiring officers and board members, gifted them with individualized coffee mugs, and introduced the new officers and board.

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

Reports

Bonnie Brown, Yeoman, read a complimentary letter to the Club from Hudson Elementary School. It thanked the Club for collecting cans of food and unwrapped toys for the school's holiday drive.

Paul Kendrick, Vice Commodore, reminded the members to schedule safety inspections for their vessels.

Gene Michaux, Commodore, announced an opening for chair of the power boat committee and invited suggestions for activities.

Deb Harrison, Membership Director, reported that 40 members had joined (or rejoined) that evening. All dues must be paid and information sheets returned by the next meeting. The directory will be updated shortly.

Mary Knowles, Purser, provided the following information: \$3,506.64 balance on hand as of November 25, 2008; \$895.40 income from November 25 to December 29, 2008; \$1,805.75 expenses during the same period; \$3,076.29 balance on hand as of December 29, 2008.

Mercie Lopez, Co-Social Director (with absent Nancy Colson), presented the social committee's new goals, roles, and ideas. Goals: keeping costs down, having fun, and reaching out. New ideas: always hot Breakfasts on the Beach on Saturdays before the races; members making deserts for all general meetings; a chili cook-off; a pig roast; increased potluck dinners and picnic events; and money-makers, such as cake and plant sales. New roles: the social

team (dubbed "The Motley Crew") will function as "extra hands" assisting at all events not specifically run by the social committee.

Jane Sperry, Finance Director, announced that cook-books are still on sale at the two-for-one price of \$7.00. (Note: These make excellent birthday, holiday, thank you, and hostess gifts!)

Don Himes reported for absent Guy Colson, Cruising Director, that there will be a Crystal River Cruise starting February 20 and returning February 25 or 26, with manatee sightings guaranteed.

Jim Glessner, past Cruising Director, presented the lovely and coveted "Run Aground" Award to David Zimmer, who masterfully blocked the ingress and egress of the Caladesi Island ferry with his 8" draft multihull. Way to go, Dave!

Linda Baker, Public Relations Director, announced that the Pasco Times reported Channel 9 meteorologist Mike Clay's speech to the club, with photo, and that our regular article appeared in the Woodsman (Beacon Hills newsletter).

David Zimmer, Webmaster, reported that in 2009 our website would include a sign-up sheet for events and an order form for club products.

Mary Reed, Communications Director, explained the contents of Marker2 to the new members and invited input.

Don Himes, Race Director, unveiled a new Full Moon Regatta to be held in October, 2009 with a race to Anclote or Clearwater. He also presented a list of all 2009 races.

Other Business

Commodore Gene Michaux announced that the club hoped to have new calendars ready for the February meeting. All future meetings will have sign-in sheets.

The meeting closed with three 50/50 drawings, winners receiving \$33 each.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: **Bonnie Brown, Yeoman**

HBYC FINANCIAL REPORT JANUARY 1, 2008 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2008

Beginning Balance 1/1/08 check A	\$3,657.61	inc. 1720. Dues Escrow	
INCOME		2008 BUDGET	
Dues	\$2,405.00	\$3,800.00	
50/50	\$720.50	\$400.00	
Race Income	\$1,427.65	\$1,500.00	
HBYC Items	\$1,326.00	\$500.00	
Special Events	\$1,814.27	\$3,100.00	
General Meetings	\$0.00	\$150.00	
Breakfast Meetings	\$1,116.00	\$700.00	
Xmas Party	\$1,390.00	\$1,100.00	
Cruises & Guides	\$15.00	\$150.00	
Miscellaneous/Web Site	\$83.15	\$100.00	
Total Income	\$10,467.57	\$11,500.00	
EXPENSES			
Rent	\$900.00	\$900.00	
Postage	\$531.39	\$700.00	
Marker 2 Printing	\$648.19	\$1,100.00	
Race Expenses	\$1,588.61	\$1,500.00	
Cruises & Guides	\$219.79	\$200.00	
Cost HBYC Items	\$1,988.83	\$3,000.00	
Insurance, Corp. Fee, Supplies	\$755.45	\$900.00	
General Meetings	\$307.49	\$550.00	
Breakfast Meetings	\$560.97	\$600.00	
Xmas Party	\$1,874.85	\$1,300.00	
Capital Expense	\$143.03	\$200.00	
Misc. & Web Site	\$403.33	\$300.00	
Special Events	\$1,804.30	\$2,950.00	
Total Expenses	\$11,726.23	\$11,500.00	
Difference between Income & Expenses - loss		\$1,258.66	
Business Savings Acc't.	\$2,543.61		
Capital Gains Items	\$143.03		
Prepaid Inventory	\$2,065.50		
Checking Account	\$3,076.29	incl. \$600. Escrow Dues	
Actual Cash to start year 2009	\$3,076.29		
HBYC Position 1/1/09	\$5,969.77		
Respectfully submitted 1-1-09			
Mary M. Knowles, Purser			

FOR SAIL/WANTED

Large White Microwave - works great. \$20
Twin Mattress, Boxspring and frame - good shape - \$45
Double (Full) sized mattress and boxpring, good quality - \$225
Double (Full) sized craftmatic bed, works great - \$125
Call Donna 860-5635

Electric (2) Davits by Davit Master.
Each holds 3,500 lbs. Pair for \$1,000.
Call Roy Garcia at 727 861-7453 or
727 207-1563.

Catalina 22 for sale. NICE! \$3000
Call Mike 727-967-3216

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HUDSON, FLORIDA 34667
Phone 727-869-7483
Fax : 727-868-5444

FOR SALE OR BEST OFFER

1. Harley Electra Glide -2000 Black \$11,000 obo
2. 1995 HURRICANE DECK BOAT 22 ft- no trailer Seats need redoing. 115 HP Yamaha motor \$5,000
3. House Generator \$400.00
4. Washer and Dryer - Very little use - like new \$400
5. Fishing Kayak - brand new never in the water \$450
6. Brand new air compressor \$200
7. Floating Dock - good condition \$1,000
8. 1976 MGB- used for Sunday driving \$5,000
9. 1995 Jeep 92,000+ miles needs a paint job. \$4,000

10. Car Dolly used 2 times \$850

11. Game Fischer boat no motor w/ trailer \$ 200

12. Kyak Lift still in the box new.

7 ft. 4-cushion sofa. Light brown textured. Two back cushions reverse to sailing scene. Absolutely like new. \$75.00 Call 727-868-7042

My Notes

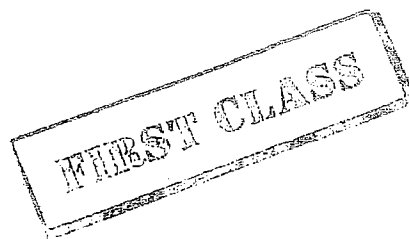
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY BOATING STATISTICS - 2003

TOP TEN CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

ACCIDENT RANK	CONTRIBUTING FACTOR	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS	NUMBER OF FATALITIES
1	OPERATOR INATTENTION	703	55
2	CARELESS/RECKLESS OPERATION	486	33
3	OPERATOR INEXPERIENCE	477	50
4	EXCESSIVE SPEED	446	34
5	HAZARDOUS WATERS	353	62
6	PASSENGER/SKIER BEHAVIOR NO PROPER LOOKOUT	331	24
7	ALCOHOL USE	326	23
8	MACHINERY SYSTEM FAILURE	289	107
9	RULES OF THE ROAD INFRACTION	241	17
10		199	10

TOP FIVE TYPES OF ACCIDENTS

ACCIDENT RANK	ACCIDENT TYPE	NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS	NUMBER OF FATALITIES
1	COLLISION WITH VESSEL	1,469	70
2	COLLISION WITH FIXED OBJECT	559	50
3	CAPSIZING	514	206
4	FALLS OVERBOARD	509	201
5	SKIER MISHAP	451	6



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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, Hudson, FL 34667

Sailors and powerboaters with or without boats are welcome!