



GREATER NASHVILLE'S OLDEST YACHTING MONTHLY

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Photo courtesy of William Hofmeister

“Ghost Laser”



2009 Change of Watch

“Since 1961, the leadership of Harbor Island Yacht Club has passed through many Commodores, just as the Club’s Burgee and the Commodore’s Private Signal Flag have passed through

many hands...” So the Change of watch ceremony begins each year. If you have never been to one of these grand events held at the First Quarterly meeting of the new year, you have truly missed something wonderful. To see the Flags pass through the ranks of our former Commodores is nothing short of an his-



Left: Rear Commodore Larry Boroviak passes on the sword to our newest, the 49th Commodore of Harbor Island Yacht Club, Barbara Ward at the Change of Watch celebration January 11, 2009. (All photos courtesy of Mike Osborne)

toric event. This year we had 17 of our past Commodores present representing 46 years of time honored tradition and service.

As well as the Passing of the Flag Ceremony, the Change of Watch is also the time our club recognizes Individual members in several different categories. This years recipients were as follows:

Junior Sailing Trophy

Angelica Amos

Iros Sailing Trophy

Fred & Anne Beesley

Good Guy Award

Greg Theriot

Good Gal Award

Valendia Nelson

Caldwell Service Award

Ken & Doris Tempelmeyer

Thweatt New member Award

Gary & Natalie Markey

Please Join me in congratulating these members for there achievements and contributions.

Dave

Dear Sailing Friends,

I realize this is not a picture of me...it is a picture of Annie Oakley! I suppose I really have nothing in common with her other than the fact that she is known for breaking barriers for women in her sport. I admit that I have put my commodore's photo session on the back burner, but I also acknowledge the fact that this is a volunteer job and it is okay not to be perfect at it all the time. Any amount of time you can give to the club is rewarding to you and appreciated by your sailing friends.



Cully and I have always said that our closest friends are the friends we play with...those with whom we sail, party, travel, eat, drink, and just generally enjoy being around. The yacht club can be a magical place...relaxing and welcoming sometimes, hectic and exciting at other times. Harbor Island has been an integral part of our family life for over thirty years and our children remain active in the sport they love.

I want to thank Larry Boroviak and the 2008 Board of Governors for their excellent stewardship of the club in the past year. The new committee boat has proved to be a good choice for our lake and weather conditions. The attractive stone wall and landscaping at the club entrance would not have been possible without hours of work expended by Rear Commodore Boroviak and Governor Greg Theriot. The screening around the top of the hill parking lot will provide a greener view for the residents of Harbor Island as we strive to continue our enhanced cooperation and good relationship with our neighbors. I also want to thank outgoing Governor Steve Vague and past Commodore Ken Todd for their wise counsel and service to the Board. The 2009 Board, Larry Boroviak, JB Copeland, David Desforges, Fred Beesley, Jack Benz, Greg Theriot, Jamie Totten, and I are committed to doing the best job we can to make the club a place where you want to be. Please communicate with us! We will welcome your thoughts and suggestions via email, message board, phone, or in person.

I am overwhelmed by the positive response of members who have agreed to take on some of the responsibility of running our club. If you haven't offered your service, there are many ways you can help out: maintenance of our much loved but aging clubhouse, race committee, youth sailing, landscaping, regattas, construction projects, recycling, social events, seminars, communications, new members, archives, historian, dock admirals, harbor master, Sea Scouts, safety, boat maintenance, Web page, photographer...the list is diverse. This club is the best deal in town. Please volunteer your time and talents to keep it that way. Believe me, you will make lifelong friends.

I'll see you at the club!

Barbara



HIYC Racing Page



Winter Series

Heavy A

Theriot
Cotton
Konesky
Beesley
Beason
Boroviak
Asgeirsson

Change of Watch		First Race		Second Race		Overall
place	Cor. Time	place	Cor. Time	place	Cor. Time	points
1	1:31:18	2	0:55:30	1	1:30:46	4
2	1:31:18	1	0:55:27	2	1:36:06	5
3	1:31:39	4	dns	3	1:36:45	10
4	1:34:34	3	0:58:14	4	1:37:11	11
5	1:42:37	4	dns	6	dnc	15
6	1:47:34	4	dns	5	1:48:34	15
7	1:47:41	4	dns	6	dnc	17

Heavy B

Ballard
Dodge

1	2:01:38	1	1:09:50	1	1:46:03	3
2	2:01:55	2	dns	2	2:10:15	6

Want to join in the Fun? Even if you have never raced before or do not consider yourself a "racer", you are more than likely to have a blast participating in the Winter Series. Not only will you have the opportunity to meet and sail with new people, but maybe learn something new about sailing. *How do I go about finding a boat you ask?* Just show up at the club around 10:30 (skippers meetings are at 11:00) and announce you are looking for a ride. On any given Saturday, at least one boat is short of crew. Come on out!

Laser Frostbite 2009

Sailor

Mandy Hofmeister
Bruce Richards
Dave Young
Wm Hofmeister
Dennis Colby
Ted Chapin
Sandler Passman
Andy Carson
Carly Summers
Chris LaBorde
Becca Hofmeister

	Week 1	Week 2							Week 3							Week 4						Total
	R1	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	R7	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6	
Mandy Hofmeister	9	1	5	3	1	1	4	2	5	1	4	2	1	1	6	4	2	5	1	3	1	17
Bruce Richards	4	3	3	1	2	5	1	3	2	4	2	1	2	4	2	2	1	6	2	5	3	21
Dave Young	1	2	2	2	4	3	5	1	1	3	3	7	3	2	1	3	3	2	3	2	5	22
Wm Hofmeister	10	6	6	4	6	2	2	6	3	2	7	5	4	5	3	5	4	1	5	1	2	33
Dennis Colby	6	5	1	5	5	4	6	5	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	1	5	3	4	6	4	48
Ted Chapin	8	4	4	6	3	6	3	4	7	5	1	4	5	7	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	50
Sandler Passman	11	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	6	7	6	6	7	3	4	6	6	4	6	4	6	64
Andy Carson	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	4	6	5	3	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	72
Carly Summers	2	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	7	7	79
Chris LaBorde	3	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	7	7	80
Becca Hofmeister	5	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	7	7	7	7	7	7	82

ATTENTION ALL MEMBERS!

Below are two sailing seminars hosted by some of our clubs fastest and most renowned sailors. Even if you do not plan on racing your boat in the immediate future there is a lot to be learned about increasing your boat speed, sail trim etc. even if just for cruising. Come on out, you have nothing to loose and everything to gain, including new friends and great company.

**SAILING SEMINAR
RACING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2009
7:00-9:00 PM AT HIYC**

**PRESENTED BY
CULLY WARD & FRIENDS**



OPEN TO ALL WHO WANT TO LEARN THE INS AND
OUTS OF
SAILBOAT RACING. IT ISN'T JUST LUCK!



**SAILING SEMINAR
SAIL TRIM & CREW WORK
FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2009
7:00-9:00 PM AT HIYC**

**PRESENTED BY
CHUCK KONESKY & FRIENDS**



OPEN TO ALL WHO WANT TO LEARN THE
INS AND OUTS OF BOAT SPEED!





The sail to Tarpon Springs was wet and exciting. We ran aground three times before we cleared Apalachicola at the pass in St. George Island. It was low tide and the wind was blowing the water out of the bay against an incoming tide—not pleasant. We sailed tandem with a Catalina 36, named *Bar Hopper*, who happened to be making the same trip/same marina, but since we were delayed trying to get off bottom, we didn't see them as they were at least one hour and about ten miles ahead, but always in radio contact. The wind was blowing NE 15-20 knots causing the relatively shallow waters to quickly build to 4 to 6 feet with unnerving 4-second intervals. The only fun part was that we spotted a huge sea turtle. Later in the day, it shifted more to the east, causing us to sail close-hauled. As evening fell, it came back to NE, but began gusting to 30 knots. "Monty", our Monitor Self-Steering autopilot did a great job while we kept watch from the comfort of our little doghouse dodger. We reduced sail around 1:30 a.m. which was a little late because the boat had been rounding up too much and finally caused Ceile to 'feed the fish'. We then made a beeline to Anclote Cay, at the mouth of the Anclote River. We arrived at the Tarpon Springs Municipal Marina at 2:30 pm after sailing 168 nm and met the faces behind the VHF of our sail mates aboard *Bar Hopper* from Iowa. After a couple of days of fine Greek dining and getting to know the crew of *Bar Hopper*, Keith & Beverly, it was time to move south. We departed at 7 am and sailed south to John's Pass, north of Clearwater, where we spent the night just off the ICW. It was then a short trip to Tampa Bay and the Manatee River, where moved into our slip at Regatta Point Marina, in Palmetto. This was to be *Le Ciel's* berth while we flew home for Thanksgiving. After two weeks in Nashville, we flew back to Tampa to resume our journey south. We were able to take in the South Florida Museum, Planetarium, and Aquarium, which was home to a SIXTY year old manatee, named *Snooty* that has been in captivity since birth and weighs 1,200 pounds!

Continuing our journey south, we left the Manatee River and anchored off Egmont Key for an early start. We left the next morning on an ESE about 10 knots. It was great sailing down the coast, but the wind turned light and on our nose, so we motored into Venice Inlet. The following day, we motored 11 hours in calms, to reach Matanza Pass at Fort Myers Beach, anchoring just after dark. We reconnected with *Bar Hopper* and spent two days there before a great day of sailing to Naples to visit Thom's uncle. After a couple of days there, we motored against a South wind in the ICW to Marco Island/Capri Inlet. Our plan was to hunker down for a couple of days and ride out a cold front, before heading offshore to Marathon. We would not recommend this stretch of the ICW to anything but shoal draft boats, and then only at high tide. With a constantly shifting bottom, charts and guides become quickly obsolete.

One issue that faces sailors here is docking with pilings, instead of floating docks. We have worked out a system where we pre-set long lines at the bow and stern, with the bitter end cleated, and a loop in the piling end. As we approach the slip, we use a boat hook to quickly put a loop from the stern windward piling, and then run forward to loop the bowline, while the helm adjusts the stern line. Once secure, it's easy to let the boat drift to the leeward to drop the lines over the leeward pilings. The secret to a smooth marina arrival is being "pro-active" and rehearsing.

After the front passed, we decided to take a peek at Collier Pass. We quickly turned around after seeing 4-foot waves from the 20 knot NW, breaking across the 8-foot shoal guarding the entrance. The next day we hoisted sail in a 15 knot NE, under clear skies. As Ballard Rock came into view the sun was shining over Vaca Key. We anchored just outside Boot Key Harbor, pulling into our slip at Marathon Marine that afternoon. It was great to see Burdine's and have the best fish sandwich and cold beer, overlooking the harbor. If you haven't been there awhile, the inter harbor has changed. It's now full of moorings that are rented from the city, which provides services to the community. They've taken an old fish dock and turned it into a huge dinghy dock, water and pump out (they also provide roving boats with large tanks), laundry, library, internet, etc. All these boaters are spending lots of money in Marathon. I wish more Florida coastal cities would adapt this attitude toward cruisers. Manatees hang around the marina.

We will fly to Nashville for a couple of weeks, and then return to Marathon, and continue our voyage south.

Bird Watching Results: Yellow-Crowned Night Heron, Roseate Spoonbills (resembles a Flamingo), Great Egrets, Wood Stork, Frigate birds, Lesser Yellowlegs Sandpipers.

Did You Know? 415,000 years ago the western shoreline of Florida formerly extended out 100 miles? [No wonder it's so shallow!]

"One's destination is never a place, but a new way of seeing things." – Henry Miller

Sea Scout News



At the first quarterly meeting every year, Harbor Island Yacht Club gives out several special awards. Among these awards is one for the most improved junior sailor. Note that this award is not always given. This year the award was given to Sea Scout Angelica Amos. To say we are proud of Angelica is an understatement. Way to go Angelica!!! Angelica joins the ranks of many excellent juniors sailing the waters of Old Hickory Lake. Over the past several years several Sea Scouts have received this award. We cannot claim to be the reason for these youth receiving the award but we know our input has at least helped. And we've had fun with the process.

With the start of a new year we have several new youth that have joined us and as is often the case they were already busy before joining this group. Their contributions to this group have already been wonderful. We are also once again starting from scratch. What is Port and Starboard? What is a spinnaker and how do you tie a bowline? But we also have Scouts with us that can teach these skills. And so the teaching begins anew. And as leaders we get to watch and enjoy the process. Yes they will struggle with how to run a meeting and how to determine who is responsible for making the menu for the next overnigher etc. There will be times this spring and summer when we want to throw a couple of kids in the lake just to shut them up. But then they turn and give you that look that says "WOW this is great" or a grin of satisfaction for having accomplished something they thought they could not do. And, well, you've heard it from me before. But this is the payment we get. No amount of money can duplicate the satisfaction this brings.

I should also note that we will once again be putting on the boater certification course this spring. We should have a date pinned down by the next Anchor Line.

Andy and Cathy Griswold

A note from the Editor:

Sent to you in this months edition of the Anchorline, are six separate inserts comprised of the updated list of Officers and Committee chairs as well as the HIYC Calendar for 2009.

These inserts have been three holed punched and numbered accordingly so you can replace the out dated information in your Members Directory. If you are a new member and do not have a directory, please contact our Membership Chair Marian Maxwell.

**REMINDER A New Gate Code took affect
January 2nd, 2009. See Anchorline Hard Copy.**



Family Social Event

COMING IN MARCH 2009

DINNER AND A MOVIE

March 14th

Matinee for the Kids 3:30 pm

Intermission 5:30 pm

Spaghetti Dinner 6:00 pm

Main Attraction 7:00 pm

Popcorn, soda, spaghetti dinner (meat lovers and vegetarian) including salad, bread and light dessert.

\$10 per person

Children 12 and under FREE

What a deal!

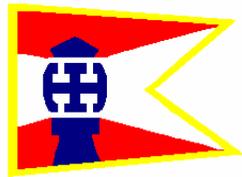
We need a minimum of 30 paying attendees for this event to occur to cover the cost of big screen rental, surround sound and food.

Please [RSVP](mailto:rmaxwell@tds.net) to Marian Maxwell at rmaxwell@tds.net or **754-9116**

No later than **February 27th if you are interested in attending this event.**

Your responses will determine if we can make this event happen.

David Desforbes
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Hermitage, TN 37076



Harbor Island Yacht Club

Located on Old Hickory Lake

2009 Officers

Commodore—Barbara Ward
Vice Commodore—J.B. Copeland
Secretary—David Desforbes
Treasurer—Fred Beesley
Rear Commodore—Larry Boroviak
Senior Governor—Jack Benz
Governor—Greg Theriot
Junior Governor—Jamie Totten

TO:

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[HTTP://
WW.HIYC.ORG](http://ww.hiyc.org)



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS



February 2009

Sun -1 Laser Frostbite Series # 5
Sat - 7 Cruiser Winter Series # 5
Sun -8 Laser Frostbite Series # 6
Mon - 9 HIYC Board Meeting
FRI - 13 Sailing Seminar-Racing
Sat - 14 Cruiser Winter Series # 6
Sun - 15 Laser Frostbite Series # 7
Sat - 21 Cruiser Winter Series # 7
Sun - 22 Laser Frostbite Series # 8
Sat - 28 Cruiser Winter Series # 8

March 2009

Fri-6 Sailing Seminar Sail Trim/Crew Work
Sat-7 Warterfield March Winds Regatta
Sun-8 Warterfield March Winds Regatta
Daylight Savings Time Begins
Mon-9 Board Meeting
Sat-14 Dinner & Movie Social
Sat-21 Cully Cobb 50K
Sat-28 Spring Cleanup Day
PPYC Force Five Regatta
Sun-29 PPYC Force Five Regatta