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HIYC SAILING CAMP 2011



Independence Day

At

Harbor Island Yacht Club

Monday, July 4, 2011

Bring the family to swim, play and sail the day together.

Games for the children and beer for the adults

Decorate your boat for the parade at 4:00p.m.

A casual dinner of hamburgers, hotdogs, Potato Salad, chips and apple cobbler a la mode for desert.. will be served at 6:00 p.m.

Fireworks display by master of flame Greg Theriot (aka Sparky) to commence at dark.

Sparklers are the only other type of firework allowed at the club.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY OTHER FIREWORKS.

*Any questions or if you would like to volunteer to help,
please contact Commodore Dave Desforges @ 310-6732*

Thanks for Supporting – Relay For Life

On behalf of the American Cancer Society, we would like to thank you for your recent participation in our signature event – Relay for Life. Relay for Life is an event that changes lives, and we are so grateful for your role in raising funds and awareness about a disease that affects too many.

I am proud to say that Harbor Island Yacht Club raised \$1,065.00 for Relay for Life in the Honor of Doris Tempel-meyer and others that have battled cancer. I am also happy to say that we won the “Best on Site Fund Raiser” award at their event.



Many thanks to all that supported this fund raiser,

Rear Commodore,
JB Copeland

Friends & Fellow Sailors,

Summer and record breaking heat has arrived early with a vengeance this year. Although summer typically steals much of our wind, we thankfully have had quite a few windy days the past several weeks. I sincerely hope many of you get to take advantage of those warm but windy days to come, even if you have to steal a day from other obligations.

Once again, our social chairs Beverly Caldwell and Beth Marshal, out-did themselves with the Cheeseburger in Paradise party in May. We all owe Kudos to these two ladies who continue to bring our members together ***“to form a social and activity nucleus for individuals and their families interested in yachting and to foster the Corinthian spirit of good fellowship.”***

June brought with it HIYC's annual sail camp, and this year's camp was a HUGE success with a record attendance. I'd like to extend my appreciation to all of the volunteers who make this annual camp the success it is. Please join me in extending special thanks to Barbara Ward. She has been giving her time to this worthwhile cause for over 20 years, since the very beginning of sail camp. Thank you Barbara, you are the epitome of HIYC's primary purpose; ***“.to promote sailing in all its branches; to help promote a code of ethics and safety for the waterways; to provide instruction in boat handling and seamanship...”*** Thank you Barbara!

Percy Priest Yacht Club's Annual Luau was also in June, and for the first time, invitations were sent to all members of HIYC. There were nearly 30 people from our club present, and I'd like to thank Commodore Brown and the members of PPLYC for the fabulous party and warm reception. We are quickly bringing the members of these two clubs closer together, and now that the door has been re-opened, we will hopefully see some interclub sailing events in the near future, so we can continue ***“to develop an active relationship with other sailing organizations.”***

Don't miss HIYC's annual July 4th celebration at the club. We'll have the usual great food, games for the kids and a spectacular firework show. We will also have some of our club Lasers and Optis set up for all to enjoy, and maybe even partake in some impromptu match racing. I hope to see you all there.

On July 16th, we are having the third Quarterly Meeting of 2011. I have planned to do things a little differently for this meeting by having it on Saturday night instead of Sunday. We are also going to start the meeting at 5:00 p.m., and should be done by 6:00 p.m. Beverly and Beth have then planned a Low Country boil, free to all members who attend the meeting. The major agenda item for this meeting is to discuss a boat in which we have purchased for the club, a Catalina 22. This boat formerly belonged to Judy Mitchell, and she graciously sold it to us for \$500. Our intent is to put another \$500 or so into it and make it available for all club members, but especially for those Associate Members without boats. Please read on further to see why I believe this concept is important to the future of HIYC and please, plan on attending the meeting.

We are near capacity for cruising boats at HIYC. I use the term “Cruising boats” to describe any boat other than dinghies and day sailor type boats. While the lack of dock space is no secret, we have currently reached capacity in our mooring field. In fact, we have two new members who are on moorings temporarily. If the members to whom those moorings have been assigned come back, these new members will have to make alternate arrangements for storing their boats off club property. Our Lightning/Dry Sail Lot is also near capacity, as is our Laser Lot and rack. While the North Lot has a few spaces where boats can be parked, most are under the large trees and are less than ideal due to the constant debris and leaves that fall. Cutting them down is not an option as it would expose the lot to our ever-so-considerate neighbor. We have two members who have trailers in the North lot that will be moving them to the top of the hill once we can make some room up there, opening up two spots for trailered boats.

While I have some ideas about how we can possibly add additional space in the future, those ideas could take years to develop and I believe we need to take a more immediate course of action to allow some additional growth. HIYC has finite resources for boat storage, and we must be good stewards of the space we have. It is to this end that I have asked, and the Board of Governors has approved, the following three pronged approach to better managing and making additional space at our club.

First, we will purchase concrete curbs such as those seen in parking lots, number them and lay out parking spaces in the Lightning/Dry Sailed Lot (the Laser Lot and rack as well as the North Lot may very well follow). Members with boats in the lot will be assigned a spot based upon need and use. Being in close proximity to the hoist and ramp, this is valuable real-estate and should be better managed. Moorings and docks are assigned by the Harbormaster, and I believe this space should be assigned and governed under the same rules we currently have in place for docks and moorings.

The second prong of dealing with our lack of space is to enforce the rules we currently have on the books regarding derelict boats and property. A team led by myself, future Commodores Rick Smith and John Robertson, as well as former Commodore JB Copeland, has identified several derelict boats, trailers and other property on the grounds of our club. I will be sending letters to the owners of these boats/items to explain why we believe this property does not meet the standards set forth in the HIYC rules, and will ask them to either rectify the situation that has led us to identify their property as “derelict”, or to remove the property from HIYC within 60 days. Though I do not take any pleasure in this task, I agree it is an important obligation integral to HIYC’s purpose, and must be done.

The third prong is to develop a class of membership that can come out to the club and sail on club-owned boats. In my opinion, this is paramount to HIYC’s future growth. Since we have limited space, this will allow the largest number of new members, while taking up less space than if they each had their own boats. The Catalina 22 we just purchased from Judy Mitchell is a start, and others can be found relatively inexpensively. We have yet to work out all the details of how to manage this fleet, as well as where we will moor them, but believe this can be done with relative ease. I cannot tell you the number of potential members I have spoken with in the last three years who have gone on and joined PPYC because of their extremely successful club boat membership program. Another plus side of this fleet is that any HIYC member can use these boats, and I can see the potential for match racing amongst the members of both HIYC and PPYC once we build this fleet.

We should also consider adding a fleet of smaller, sailing dinghies. Again, thinking about our clubs available and limited space, this type of boat will utilize the area we currently have the most of, land, all the while rebuilding and encouraging dinghy sailing at HIYC. We already have Lasers and Optis, but I’m thinking of a bit larger boat than can be sailed by a crew of two adults or maybe even three kids. Again, this not only benefits current members, but will encourage additional new members to join that have not purchased a boat yet, and again, encourage some match racing amongst our current members.

One might believe that since we are at near capacity for boats, our participation in Regattas, racing, and general activity at the club is up. Sadly, I must report the exact opposite. Other than the extremely successful J.A.M. fleet we started last year (*thanks to Chuck Konesky’s insight and Gene Lovelace’s leadership*), all of the other fleets’ participation is down. Attendance of our social events would be down if it weren’t for the valiant efforts of our social committee this year. Even so, it seems to be the same people attending those events.

As if I haven’t written enough this month, enter my editorial. The following opinions are solely those of your Commodore, and do not necessarily reflect the opinion of the Board of Governors.

I believe that one of the main reasons HIYC is in the predicament of near capacity, while seeing a decline in member participation, is because of the structure of its dues. We are simply the cheapest place to store a boat in Nashville-not just on the water, but even at one of those self storage lots. Don’t get me wrong, I’m not advocating raising dues just for the sake of raising them. I just think we have a situation where it is easier for one to keep paying the low dues rather than deal with a boat that they may not want anymore. Maybe if they had to pay extra amount to store it at HIYC, they might think about getting rid of it.

What I believe HIYC needs is a “Pay to Play” dues structure. For Example, one that would mean that I would pay more than someone who keeps a boat on a mooring since mine is on a dock. A person who keeps a boat on a mooring would pay more than a person who keeps a dinghy in the dinghy lot. That person would pay more than a person who keeps a Laser or Sunfish on the dinghy rack. If you have a boat and trailer on HIYC grounds, you would pay some fee for each. Two boats, you pay for each. After all, where else can you pay one fee for limitless items and have an endless amount of space to store your stuff?

Our membership structure would have to be revamped. One would either be a member or not. Dues would be lowered for membership, and then a quarterly fee assessed based upon the type and amount of “stuff” each member keeps at HIYC. We would also charge for use of the Club Boats, whether that is on a per trip arrangement for some members with their own boats, and maybe a per year fee privilege for others without their own boats. I believe we can figure out how to accomplish this while being essentially revenue neutral, or even slightly revenue positive. Although I am aware this will not solve all of our problems, it should cut down on at least a handful of un-used boats and trailers we currently have at the club, allowing us to accept new members and “*promote sailing*” rather than cheap boat storage. Let me know what you think.....

See you at the club,

Dave Desforges



quarterly meeting & low country boil

show up for the meeting and dinner's on us!!

SATURDAY July 16th

quick meeting at 5:00
cocktails and dinner to follow
beer provided or BYOB



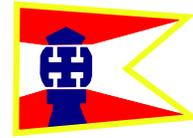
PROXY FORM

I, _____ an Active member of Harbor Island Yacht Club, entitled to vote at the Quarterly meeting, do hereby constitute and appoint _____ as my proxy to attend the Quarterly meeting to be held on **Saturday, July 16, 2011**, or the continuation or adjournment thereof, with full power to vote and act for me in my name, place and stead, to the same extent and with the same effect as if I were personally present. Any proxy or proxies I have heretofore given to any person or persons whatsoever are hereby revoked.

Signed _____

Date _____

Mail to: John Robertson, 114 Lakeshore Dr., Old Hickory, TN 37138 email: Secretary@hiyc.org



Hail and Farewell...

Former Commodore and Bronze Star War Hero, Johnny Dortch, age 94

In the death of Johnny Dortch, our Club has lost another of that “Greatest Generation” who defended our freedom in World War II. Picture, if you will, a twenty-something-year-old lieutenant “flying the Hump” over the Himalaya Mountains and fighting “at the tip of the American spear” in far-off China.

Even those of us who are history buffs can remember little of that war’s China/Burma Theater, beyond Civilian Clair Chenault’s Civilian Volunteer Flying Tiger Squadron fighting the Japanese that morphed into General Clair Chenault’s “US Army Air Corps 14th Air Force” and Colonel Jimmy Doolittle’s early one-way bombing raid on Tokyo. As a Communications Officer for the Army Brass, Johnny clearly “heard” Morse Code like a spoken language, and as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal Officer who kept clearing minefields when almost all those working around him were killed or horribly wounded, heroic U S Army Purple Heart and US Army Bronze Star Winner (an Honor he shares with O.L.Shultz) Lieutenant Johnny Dortch was a part of one of the most glamorous legends of World War II. Our forces in China were few, but their psychological and tactical effects on the American war effort were immense.

On his return to Nashville, Johnny was a partner in a large office supply and printing company until he started his own highly-successful firm, Printing, Inc. He became one of the Founding Members of Harbor Island Yacht Club, and was an enthusiastic and expert racing member of the Lightning Class. He served our Club as Commodore and then became the perennial HIYC Treasurer for many years.

Johnny was one of those incredibly fortunate men who lived to enjoy two successful and loving marriages. His first wife, Emogene, an accomplished painter who gave our Club the large painting that now hangs over our fireplace, always flew the jib on his racing Lightning, and gave him a son, Lynn, who followed Johnny’s interests in radio and today is a technical consultant to many radio stations across our Nation. His second (and present) wife, Betty, had been a good friend of Johnny and Emogene, and they married after Emogene’s long and fatal illness. Many times, Johnny emphasized to me how blessed his life had been made by these two wonderful and talented ladies.

In the 1970’s, Johnny and Bob Llovet bought a bare 57-foot sailboat hull, transported her to Nashville, and spent the next two years fitting her out as one of the most luxurious and well-found sailboats imaginable for cruising in solid comfort. Johnny and Emogene (and a host of other early HIYC members) spent many years cruising the Caribbean and coming back to recount to us their many adventures.

But there is another person who must be remembered and thanked for unselfish and loyal service, a person who has been important in Johnny's wonderful life. After Emogene's death, Johnny bought the boat of his dreams, the gorgeous 32' Island Packet, "Southern Comfort"—without doubt, the grandest yacht on Old Hickory Lake. As Johnny's years advanced, he became unable to manage Southern Comfort—and that is where his good friend and fellow Club Member Howard Toole entered the picture.

As Johnny became less physically-capable, Howard volunteered often to take Johnny and Betty sailing on Southern Comfort and to help them with maintenance and other decisions. Many times, Johnny told me how much he appreciated Howard's generosity with his time and concern. Howard Toole, truly one of Nature's Noblemen, made it possible for this senior sailor to continue to his favorite sport, long beyond when it would otherwise have been possible. Men like Johnny Dortch and Howard Toole truly leave this world a better placed than they found it.

Made possible by his own and others' generosity and love, Johnny Dortch had a full and wonderful life...and we are privileged to have known him !

Submitted by -Fred Beesley

NEW HIYC MEMBERS



Wade Barnes, is a Harbor Island full active member, a local business owner and the owner of a Cal 27. Wade has been interested in sailing for years and has some race experience. He is also a member of PPYC, where he has studied Basic Keel Boating with Bob Ware. Wade lives in Spring Hill, TN with his wife and three kids who enjoy, boating, fishing and the water. Wade and family are interested in racing, cruising and the social aspect of HIYC, as well as planning future



Dan Haskell is an attorney with Gullet, Sanford, Robinson and Martin and a lobbyist for many business clients. Debbie is a teacher in Summer County. We have 3 adult children and live on some acreage north of Goodlettsville.

HIYC SAIL CAMP 2011

We had a great time at sail camp this year. With 54 campers the first week, we were maxed out on our resources... but the councilors did a great job of managing the kids in, mostly windless, 95 degree days. The second week was easier with 45 campers and temps in the upper 80's. We also had some wind most days (with a little rain, thunder and lightning thrown in for fun). I am slowly getting better at tie-dyeing t-shirts.

We had some great adult volunteers in Niel, Chuck, Bruce, Dave, Kevin, Barbara, Bill, Larry, Rafal, Ken and a few others I did not keep up with. We also had some young councilor volunteers who did a great job and worked really hard. Thank you all for helping us have a successful camp again.

Thank you HIYC members for tolerating our efforts to encourage youth to sail. We know it is an inconvenience and we might not have your dinghy back exactly where it was before (if your oars are missing, look for them under a different dinghy). Let me know if there is anything you think would improve our sail camp and/or minimize the impact on HIYC members.

Greg Theriot





SEA SCOUT NEWS



As I stated in the last newsletter we spent a lot of time getting ready for our trip up river to Boxwell Scout Camp in April. But one benefit of all that work is we have some wonderful equipment that's ready for use. And we've been using it. With the longer days and nice winds of spring, Thursday evenings have seen 3 and 4 boats full of Scouts on Old Hickory Lake. But we've also got a lot of stuff to be getting accomplished. So many Thursday's I've shown up with books and charts in hand ready for some classroom time. Only to arrive to find that some of the scouts and leaders had arrived a bit early and they were already prepping boats because the wind was blowing. Ok twist my arm!!! But we actually have been spending time on skills development. Especially when it's storming or the wind is not blowing.



One of the reasons for pushing skills development is our upcoming trip to Pensacola Florida. We leave early Sunday June 26th and board boats that evening. Hopefully by mid morning the next day we'll be out on the water for a four day adventure. But our route to Pensacola has not gone quite as planned. In early March we contacted the charter company and booked the same two boats we used two years ago. Things were going great but then we went to Boxwell. And as expected our numbers started to grow. And that was great. But we now did not have enough berths for everyone that wanted to go. I really do not like to turn down Scouts for a trip if we can find a way to include them. Then John Taylor volunteered to skipper a third boat. And I figured we were set!! We just need to raise some more money. But our problem did not go away. And we soon realized that a fourth boat was needed. This time Gary Sawyer came to our rescue to skipper the fourth boat. So this is turning out to be the biggest trip (numbers wise) we've ever had. As I'm writing this we have 21 signed up for the trip. And we're pushing real hard to come up with the extra money needed for the two extra boats. Yes we're still a bit short on the cash. But what a wonderful problem to have. And what a wonderful bunch of youth and leaders I get to work with.

Next newsletter I plan on reporting on the Pensacola trip.

Andy and Cathy Griswold

Saturday Summer Series Racing

We will be moving our Thursday Night Summer Series (Thursday Evening Races) to Saturday Mornings starting June 25th. Though the Thursday evening races are a great idea and have gained support over the last few years, many have not been able to show up regularly on Thursday night. Hopefully this will bring new life to the summer series, allowing many more to participate. Starting times and race instructions are posted on the web site under the tab "Summer Series".

**July
2011**

Dock Slip & Mooring Waiting List

Wood Dock		Concrete Dock		Plastic Dock		Causeway Dock		Temporary Slips Harbor Master: Greg Theriot		Moorings	
Adm: Allen Mirse		Adm: Dave Desforges		Adm: Neil Cunningham		Adm: Stephen Mitchell					
Mbr since	Name	Mbr since	Name	Mbr since	Name	Mbr since	Name	Mbr since	Name	Mbr since	Name
7/16/1995	Smokler	7/16/1995	Smokler	6/13/2005	Taylor	7/16/1995	Smokler	8/15/1995	Asgeirsson	5/14/2011	Barnes
8/15/1995	Asgeirsson	8/15/1995	Asgeirsson	10/21/2005	White	8/15/1995	Asgeirsson	6/13/2005	Taylor	5/15/2011	Iliev
9/12/1995	Thomas	11/11/2003	Hardesty	10/21/2005	Woodcock	9/12/1995	Thomas	10/21/2005	White	(Needs Double Block)	
10/12/1995	Osborne	6/13/2005	Taylor	3/6/2006	DiCroce	10/12/1995	Osborne	10/21/2005	Woodcock	5/16/2011	Wylie
11/11/2003	Hardesty	10/21/2005	White	11/13/2006	Latour	11/11/2003	Hardesty	3/6/2006	DiCroce		
6/13/2005	Taylor	10/21/2005	Woodcock	12/12/2006	O'Dell	6/13/2005	Taylor	11/13/2006	Latour		
10/21/2005	White	3/6/2006	DiCroce	2/12/2007	Andrews	10/21/2005	White	12/12/2006	O'Dell		
10/21/2005	Woodcock	11/13/2006	Latour	4/10/2007	Green	10/21/2005	Woodcock	2/12/2007	Andrews		
3/6/2006	DiCroce	12/12/2006	O'Dell	4/16/2007	Lovelace	3/6/2006	DiCroce	4/10/2007	Green		
11/13/2006	Latour	2/12/2007	Andrews	5/11/2007	Martin D.	11/13/2006	Latour	4/16/2007	Lovelace		
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2/12/2007	Andrews	4/16/2007	Lovelace	9/10/2007	Knapp	2/12/2007	Andrews	7/9/2007	Amos		
4/10/2007	Green	5/11/2007	Martin D.	10/2/2007	Jordan	4/10/2007	Green	9/10/2007	Knapp		
4/16/2007	Lovelace	7/9/2007	Amos	10/3/2007	Grissom	4/16/2007	Lovelace	10/2/2007	Jordan		
5/11/2007	Martin D.	9/10/2007	Knapp	4/3/2008	Putnam	5/11/2007	Martin D.	10/3/2007	Grissom		
7/9/2007	Amos	10/2/2007	Jordan	12/1/2008	Eubanks	7/9/2007	Amos	4/3/2008	Putnam		
9/10/2007	Knapp	10/3/2007	Grissom	4/26/2009	Carroll	9/10/2007	Knapp	12/1/2008	Eubanks		
10/2/2007	Jordan	4/3/2008	Putnam	5/4/2009	Brandon	10/2/2007	Jordan	4/26/2009	Carroll		
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ABANDONED PROPERTY

The Board has walked through the property and because of the need for space it has deemed the below pictured property abandoned. If any of this belongs to you and you would like to keep it please contact the Harbor Master or this property hauled off within 60 days pursuant to the current HIYC rules. Thank you for your cooperation.



2011 LASER MASTER NORTH AMERICANS

The 2011 Laser Master North Americans were held in Fort Walton Beach Florida the weekend of May 21-22. Fortunately I was able to sail this year, what a great weekend of competition. 30 competitors were greeted with plenty of wind and BIG waves. The RC elected to sail off the beach in the gulf rather than in the bay in the smooth water. The hard part was launching and landing, try launching and landing a Laser in 6-8 foot waves sometime. There were several broken masts and torn sails throughout the event, luckily none of them were mine. If you ever want to improve your Laser skills go to an event like this. While there were only 30 sailors everyone was good because this was a qualifier for the World Championships to be held in San Francisco later this year. Full results can be seen at www.laser.org.

Submitted by John Robertson



HIYC Youth Regatta Notice of Race

July 9th, 2011 at Harbor Island Yacht Club at 11.00 a.m.

Bring a sack lunch. We will be registering and rigging boats at 11:00 and starting to race between 12:00 and 12:30 after we eat our lunches.

Trophy presentation between 4 and 5 pm after we de-rig the boats. We will have ice cream also.

Contact Greg Theriot at theriotgreg@hotmail.com or Bill Killebrew at billkillebrew@comcast.net if you plan to attend. Entry Fee is \$ 10.00

John Robertson
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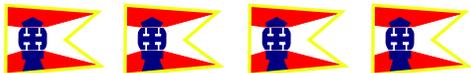


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Governor—Mike Birk
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TO:

 **Schedule of Events** 

JULY 2011	
Sat – 2	Summer Series Race
Mon – 4	Independence Day
Sat – 9	Junior Regatta Summer Series Race
Mon- 12	Board Meeting
Sat – 16	Low Country Boil KLSC St. Jude Regatta
Sat – 23	KLSC Governors Cup Summer Series Race
Sun – 24	KLSC Governors Cup
Sat – 30	Summer Series Race

AUGUST 2011	
Sat – 6	Summer Series Race
Sun – 7 – 12	Lightning NA's
Tues – 9	Board Meeting
Sat- 13	Summer Series Race
Sat – 20	Summer Series Race
Sat – 27	Summer Series Race