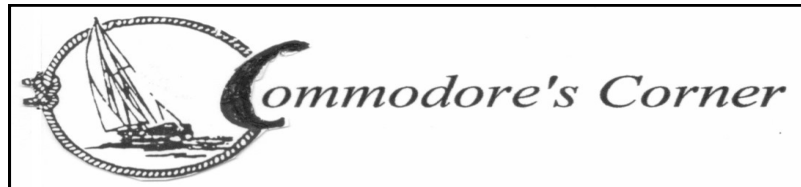




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THE MONTHLY LOG OF THE HUDSON BEACH YACHT CLUB

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Hello Everyone

I would like to start off with sending prayers to Don Himes and his family as they deal with his medical problem and wish him a speedy recovery.

Now for the fun things, we have a race this month and a kayaking trip.

We have a potluck at our next meeting which is a Spanish dish event.

We also have our Birthday Anniversary dinner this month on the 17th.

Thank you

Commodore Bill

Bill Elliott, Commodore

HBYC General Meeting Minutes, April 2, 2025

The General Meeting for April 1, 2025, was held at the Sea Ranch building. The renovation is still underway so there are some restrictions in what we can do, but it is good to be back in our home base. The meeting was opened by Commodore Bill Elliott with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag at 7:40. He asked for approval of the minutes of the March Meeting. They were approved.

Purser Anne Lairmore was absent. Bill Elliott reported for her that the money in the bank is \$5151.29.

Publicity Director Jackie Kerschbaum is getting good coverage in the monthly newsletters to communities and in the Suncoast News the week before our meeting.

Kayak Director Jim Wasson has a trip scheduled for Saturday, April 12 to Silver Springs. He said we can meet for breakfast at the Beacon Woods Café near the U-Haul facility at 7am and leave there at 8am. Sign up or call him to let him know who to look for on Saturday.

Race Director Dean Perry reported the finishers of the Spring Fling Race held on March 8. First place was Shawn Rodel, second place was Team Perry, third place was Guy Colson. First across the start line, called Line Honors, was Roger Massicotte. The next race is Saturday, April 5, the St Martin's race. The information is on the website under "Racing." The after party for racers and mates is at Colson's with BYOB and a side or snack provided by participants. Contact Dean to sign up for this event.

Fleet Captain Mike Clingman was absent but phoned in a reminder of the Memorial Day Weekend trip that he had planned. More information will be forthcoming.

Website & Vice Commodore Don Himes reported the website is up to date. He has set up a presentation from a nationwide Fire Prevention Company which has representation in Pasco County. This will be at the May 6 meeting. The speaker will talk about both household and marine fire prevention items that the company provides.

Publications Director Sue Gelineau reminded us that we need to get our material to her and Don by Friday, April 4 for the next Marker 2.

Social Director Toni Elliott thanked Guy for getting the canned drinks for our meetings. The Bowling Evening on Sunday, March 16 at 6pm had 5 bowlers, all wearing green shirts for luck, which resulted in a few scores of 100 points! The March Birthday and Anniversary Dinner at Carrabba's on US 19 had 16 people, including 2 birthday people and 1 anniversary couple. There will be a Breakfast on the Beach at Hudson Beach South Pavillion on Saturday, April 26 beginning at 9:00 am. Potluck with plates, silver ware and drinks provided by the club. Remember, Donuts are not food! The General Meeting for May will be on May 6, which is not Cinco de Mayo but, rest assured, some will be coerced into doing it. However, it will feature a Potluck, hopefully featuring Mexican food. Doors open at 6:00 pm, food served at 6:30 pm, Meeting is at 7:30 pm.

Membership Director Guy Colson welcomed Larry and Tanya Hamilton back to the club, so we added 1 more membership to the 51 he had at the start of tonight's meeting. Then he acknowledged the April Birthdays and Anniversaries.

Past Commodore Nancy Colson was absent and had no report.

The Mystery Question was "How much of the earth is covered by ocean waters?" The answer is 71%.

Finance Director John Dering was absent, so Chris Michaux collected \$87 for the 50/50 raffle. The winner of the \$44 was Lori Nunes.

Guy has business cards for the club members to give to people who may be interested in HBYC. Take 2 or 3 and put your name on the back if you give them to someone.

Guy told us that Don Himes has markers in his blood for pancreatic cancer. He will see a specialist on the 8th.

A call was made to adjourn the meeting and passed at 8:10 pm.

Submitted by Yeoman

Jackie Kerschbaum

April 2025 Membership Report

From the Membership Director...

As of the April meeting, we now have a total of 52 memberships. In the “better late than never department”, Larry and Tanya Hamilton just renewed their membership at the meeting. Please add Larry’s information to your member directory, his email is ifio2001@yahoo.com and phone is 405-339-2948.

The club always welcomes new members who may be interested in joining us to enjoy our activities. If you have friends or neighbors who might be interested in joining us, please consider inviting them to our potluck meeting next month on May 6th!

March Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays

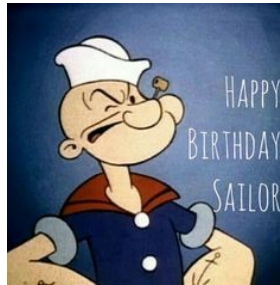
Harry Harty - April 5th

Judy Emery - March 13th

Valery Strauss - April 19th

Roger Massicotte - April 20th

Jane Hanekamp - April 25th



Anniversaries

Peter and Sandra Larsen - April 11th

Larry and Tanya Hamilton - April 29th

Harry and Marie Harty - May 1st



Happy Anniversary!

Guy Colson

Membership Director

Social Committee Report – April 2025

Thank you to Guy Colson for making sure we had cold drinks for our March and April general meetings. He is bringing drinks and using his cooler for our meetings.

We had our first Bowling night of this year on March 16th, and we wore green for an early St.Patrick's Day bowl for luck. We had five bowlers and we had a great time at Lane Glo North in Port Richey on Ridge Road. Our bowlers are improving their game, a few bowled over 100 points or was it our Irish Luck! We are not great bowlers, but we have a great time.



On March 20th we had our birthday and anniversary dinner at Carrabba's Italian Grill in Port Richey, located in Regency Shoppes 10110 US 19. It was an enjoyable time for all. We had 16 people attend, a great turn out.

Coming up we have Thursday April 17th saved for our birthday/anniversary dinner. Maryanne will be away on vacation so we need a volunteer to head this event this month. Choose your favorite restaurant and have us join you!

On April 26th will be our first Breakfast on the Beach (BOB) this year. Located at the south pavilion at Sam's Beach Bar. Starting at 9:00 am. This is a potluck breakfast. The club will provide coffee, cream, sugar, plates and eating utensils.

Please bring serving utensils for your dish, the club is still short of these items. We would love to have homemade goodies.

Our May general meeting is our annual Cinco De Mayo potluck dinner. Doors open at 6:00, bring your favorite Mexican dish to share, and please bring a serving utensil for your dish. The club will provide cold drinks, plates and eating utensils.

Don't forget to check your calendars for other club sponsored events that you might like. Come out, enjoy our activities, and always have a good time.

Toni Elliott

Social Committee Director

KAYAK REPORT—APRIL 2025

Rainbow River Paddle Trip Report – March 14th

On March 14th, six members and four guests enjoyed a scenic paddle on the Rainbow River. Some participants started the day with breakfast at Beacon Woods Café, setting the tone for an enjoyable outing. By 10:00 AM, the group gathered at KP Hole Park in Dunnellon, where each person paid a \$7.00 entrance fee. Two members camped at the nearby Shangri-La State Park Campground.

Our planned take-out point was Blue Run of Dunnellon Park. However, the main parking lot there was completely full. Luckily, we discovered that the park offers overflow parking at the San Jose Blvd Trailhead. One car was parked there, and we found the overflow lot had plenty of space.

Two members opted to rent kayaks from Rainbow River Kayak Adventures. The rental service included a convenient shuttle back to their car. They noted that the staff was very accommodating. While this option is convenient, it costs approximately \$40 per person for four hours.

The weather was absolutely perfect for paddling, and the river was alive with wildlife. We spotted otters, anhingas, turtles, and a variety of birds, though we didn't encounter any alligators on this trip.

After wrapping up the paddle and retrieving the boats, the group headed to Swampy's for a late lunch. Swampy's, a popular spot near Blue Run Park, was bustling due to the beautiful weather. Even at 1:30 PM, the wait for a table was lengthy. Once seated, though, everyone enjoyed excellent food and service.

Jim Wasson

Kayak Director



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Kayak Trip Saturday, April 12, 2025 Silver Springs (Silver Springs State Park)



Meet: Leave at **8 AM** from Beacon Woods Café parking lot. Come earlier for breakfast, 12362 US-19, Hudson, FL 34667 OR
10:30 AM at the Silver Springs State Park Kayak Launch

Put-in: Silver Springs State Park Kayak Launch
5656 E Silver Springs Blvd, Silver Springs, FL 34488

Take-Out: Ray Wayside Park
9564 NE 28th Lane, Silver Springs, FL 34488

Rentals: <https://silversprings.com/paddling/>

Meal: Mojo Grill
4620 E Silver Springs Blvd Ocala, FL 34470 (352) 291-MOJO

Come join in the fun of exploring one of Florida's most famous waterways. The Silver River has an amazing amount of history and abundant wildlife. Come paddle among the ancient cypress and look for exotic monkeys that have thrived here for nearly 90 yrs. We will drop boats off at Silver Springs and then move most cars to the takeout at Ray Wayside Park. Lunch at the Mojo Grill.

It is about a 2-hour drive from Hudson. This is a 5.5-to-6-mile paddle from Silver Springs State Park to Ray Wayside Park (with current). If you choose to stay overnight, there are numerous hotels in the area.

Please let Jame Wasson know if you will be meeting the group at the Silver Springs Kayak launch instead of at the parking lot in Hudson. 815-712-6235.



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Kayak Trip Saturday, May 10, 2025 Withlacoochie River (Hog Island to Nobleton)



Meet: We will **Leave at 8 AM** from the Beacon Woods Café parking
12362 US-19, Hudson, FL 34667. Come earlier for breakfast.

Put-in: **9:30 AM** Hog Island Recreation Area
9274 CR 635, Bushnell, FL 33513

Take-Out: Nobleton Wayside Park. 29061 Lamkin St. Nobelton, FL 34601
Phone: (352) 754-4027

Rentals: None Available

Meal: El Sol de Mexico
31079 FL-50, Brooksville, FL 34602
(352) 777-4011

This paddle is less than 4 miles with a river current. Not only is the Withlacoochee River wild and gorgeous, but it is also so long that you can return again and again to paddle different segments.

We will drop boats off at Hog Island and then move most cars to the takeout at Nobleton. Lunch at El Sol de Mexico in Brooksville after the paddle.

Camping is most likely available at the Hog Island Campground 9274 CR 635, BUSHNELL, FL 33513 Hog Island Campground is located within the Croom Tract of Withlacoochee State Forest (Sumter County). <https://floridastateforests.reserveamerica.com/camping/hog-island-campground-withlacoochee-state-forest/r/campgroundDetails.do?contractCode=FLFS&parkId=1120169>

Please let Jim Wasson know if you will be meeting the group at the launch instead of at the parking lot in Hudson.

FLEET CAPTAIN REPORT—APRIL 2025

Our cruising season is approaching soon.

A beach treasure hunt/ campout will be the kick off on Memorial Day weekend. Its close enough to our area that most of you should be able to come join in sailboat or not.

Hope to see you all out there.

Mike Clingman

Fleet Captain

RACING REPORT—APRIL 2025

We had our annual ST MARTINS RACE on Saturday, April 5. This is our longest race of the season. We race from Hudson, out to the St Martins Reef marker and return, a total of 18 nautical miles!

It was a gorgeous day out on the Gulf. It was sunny and warm with temperatures in the high 80's. For the most of the race, the wind was from the S at about 10kts. About 2/3 of the way back from the St Martins Mark, the wind changed to SW.

Four boats started the race, but 2 boats didn't finish. *INSPIRATION* turned back before reaching the St. Martins Mark, and *FRAYED KNOT* withdrew on the final leg before reaching the finish line.

The results are as follows:

| RACE RESULTS - RACE #2 4/5/25 | | | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|--------------|----------|---------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| TOTAL RACE DISTANCE | | | 18.2 Nautical Miles | | | TOT | TOT | TOT | Average | |
| Boat Name | Boat | Captain | PHRF | Start Time | Finish Time | Actual Time | Correction Factor | Corrected Time | Corrected Time | Corrected Time |
| FINE ALEE | Catalina 30 | Perry | 256 | 11:30:00 | 15:20:09 | 3:50:09 | 0.81 | 3:05:36 | 2:32:30 | 2:49:03 |
| PAPER MOON | Ericson 37 | Rodel | 181 | 11:30:00 | 15:08:20 | 3:38:20 | 0.89 | 3:14:08 | 2:43:26 | 2:58:47 |
| FRAYED KNOT | Maine Cat 30 | Linquist | 182 | 11:30:00 | DNF | | | | | |
| INSPIRATION | Pearson 34 | Colson | 212 | 11:30:00 | DNF | | | | | |

An After-Race gathering was hosted by Guy and Nancy Colson at their home, and was attended by many of the racers, crews, and Bill Sloan's Committee Boat crew. Thanks Nancy and Guy!

2025 SEASON SERIES POINTS STANDINGS : For an explanation of the method of calculating the Season Series Points, see the HBYC website

| 2025 SEASON SERIES POINTS | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|-------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|------|
| | Skipper | | Race 1 | Race 2 | Race 3 | Race 4 | Race 5 | Race 6 | Race 7 | Total | BEST |
| | COMBINED FLEET | | 3/8 | 4/5 | | | | | | | _OF_ |
| 1 | Shawn Rodel | PAPERMOON | 1 | 2 | | | | | | 3 | |
| 2 | Team Perry | FINE ALEE | 2 | 1 | | | | | | 3 | |
| 3 | Guy Colson | INSPIRATION | 3 | 4 | | | | | | 7 | |
| 4 | Tony Hedrick | KAYETON | 4 | 5 | | | | | | 9 | |
| 5 | Roger Massicotte | VENTOLERA | 5 | 5 | | | | | | 10 | |
| 6 | Joe Linquist | FRAYED KNOT | 6 | 4 | | | | | | 10 | |
| 7 | Eric Glaser | NO NAME | 6 | 5 | | | | | | 11 | |
| | | DNC = | 6 | 5 | | | | | | | |

SCORING:

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|-----------------------------------------|------|---------------------------------------------|
| DNC = NUMBER OF BOATS THAT STARTED, +1 | RED | INDICATES DNC (DID NOT COMPETE) |
| DNF = NUMBER OF BOATS THAT STARTED | BLUE | INDICATES DNF (STARTED, BUT DID NOT FINISH) |
| DNS (went out, but Did Not Start) = DNC | | INDICATES SCORE DROPPED FOR BEST _OF_ |

Next Race:

Our next scheduled race is a "points" race, Saturday April 19.

Dean Perry

Race Director

FOR SAIL / WANTED/MISCELLANEOUS

Mystery Question:

What is the most northern state in the US that has dolphins?

Contact Commodore with the correct answer for a free 50/50 ticket.

813-841-8060 or email sailingalong57@gmail.com

Next General Meeting

Tuesday, May 6,
Sea Ranch Civic Association Clubhouse
6:00 Doors open
6:30 Cinco de Mayo pot luck dinner
7:30 General Meeting

Next Board Meeting

Tuesday, April 15, 7:00 PM
Location: Colson Residence

Boat Deliveries, Sailing Lessons, and miscellaneous boat works at a reasonable price.

Call Captain Mike Nunes at 908-887-3685 or email MikeJNunes@aol.com

FOR SALE

HBYC Cruising Guide: This is a guide to HBYC member's favorite anchorages in South Florida. It includes color charts, directions and information about the anchorages. A PDF version of the guide is available for free for HBYC members. A printed color hard copy is available for \$10 each. Contact Guy Colson if you would like a hard copy of the guide or a link to the PDF version.



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Bill Elliott, Commodore

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