

# Bow Watch

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January  
2010

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### January

- 1st New Years Day  
Oyster Roast  
12 noon until..
- 17th Family Movie  
Matinee 3pm
- 30th Club Work Day  
9am

### February

- 4th Game Night 6pm
- 7th Superbowl Party  
and Chile Cookoff  
6pm
- 13th Club Work Day  
9am
- 20th Italian Dinner and  
Movie 6pm

Sunset Fridays  
Continue all  
winter long!

*Share the fun!  
Ask a friend  
to join BYSC!*

## From the Commodore . . .

I have made it through the first month, and have not yet been fired. There was an attempted poisoning of your commodore at the Christmas Party, but it will take a lot more than a particular secret third liquor ingredient in the eggnog to get rid of me!



I look forward to the Spring Series races in which I will again try to defeat him whose name shall not be mentioned, but that seems a long way off right now. I am excited about going to Miami in late December to support our Jr. Sailors in the upcoming Orange Bowl Regatta. There will be hundreds of Jr. Sailors from all over the world competing. Last year on a calm day in Miami we perfected the art of hydroboarding on a Laser dagger board. The entire fleet looked at us as if we had been sent straight from hell, but we made the best of a miserable day. Several Club members and I will be representing BYSC at the annual SAYRA meeting in late January.

Please take a look at the BYSC website. The Social and Sailing schedules are on the Calendar link. The new rental policy and casual use policy are the Clubhouse Use link. There is a lot going on at the club. There are also four teak chairs yet to be sponsored. Please feel free to call or email the office ( or myself) with any suggestions, questions, or problems. Off to the bar to trade yarns with Capt. Irons.

*Ricky Akers, 2010 Commodore*

# S o c i a l S c e n e

Santa and at least 150 BYSCers were “scene” at the annual Christmas party on December 13. At sunset, Commodore Ricky Akers blew the ceremonial conch and made a Champagne toast to the coming sailing year. Everyone enjoyed the “feast” of ham, turkey and the fixin’s. The clubhouse was very festive with a Christmas tree and greenery on every table. Due to members’ generosity, a dock cart full of non-perishable food was taken to the Salvation Army’s food bank.

I know it’s hard to believe, but 2010 is at hand, so mark your calendars for January 17 at 3 PM for Family Movie Matinee. We’ll be showing the animated movie “Up”. Everyone in the family can enjoy this one. There’ll be popcorn (of course) and other movie treats.

Plan for “Games Night” on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM and Super Bowl “Chili Cook Off” on February 7 at 6. Details for both these “scenes” will come later.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**  
Joan Dehovitz

## 2010 dues statements mailed

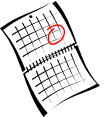
Original invoices were mailed October 1 (payable by December 1) and reminder statements were sent out in November and December. Please let us know what your intentions are with regard to dues!

## WORK DAYS 2010

Jan. 30th, Feb 13th, April 10th

9am-3pm

Even if you only come and volunteer for a few hours the help is much appreciated. Projects include painting, landscaping, spring cleaning the Clubhouse and kitchen, and getting the pool ready to open.



*Welcome Aboard!*

A warm, Lowcountry welcome to the newest members of our BYSC family!

**Henry and Paula Potts and Bryan and Andrea Cooler**

# Sailing News

The fleet selection committee has sent a final report and recommendations to the directors. You'll recall that the committee was formed to address the perceived demand among older members for a one-design racing class that is more stable, dry and less physical than existing class racing at BYSC. The study was expanded to encompass the interests of other groups as the work progressed.

The Committee studied the Harbor 20, J-22, International Lightning, Viper 640, Rhodes 19, Laser SB3, Stratos Keel, and Ultimate 20. A survey of members narrowed consideration to the first five boats listed. About 35 members attended a boat show on November 14.

No single boat emerged as a clear winner. Therefore the Committee recommended establishing a handicap racing fleet under PHRF rules to enable members to race any boat that best fits their needs. Separately, at this time it appears that at least four members will partner in the purchase of J 22s and that a Viper fleet may form among those interested in a new high performance boat. Contact George Dewhirst regarding the J-22s and John Potter about the Viper. We will let you know as plans for the PHRF racing gel.

## ...from the Sail Loft

I'm looking forward to serving as your Fleet Captain for the 2010 sailing season. It should be great – this year's revival of the Jean Ribaut Cup (a PHRF regatta on Port Royal Sound), our hosting of the SAYRA Youth Challenge and an enhanced Water Festival Regatta are three events I'm especially excited about!

A big Thank You to Mac Cook, our 2009 Fleet Captain. His tireless efforts to upgrade our equipment and enhance our race management program really made a difference.

Upcoming events of note include:

- the South Atlantic Yacht Racing Association (SAYRA) Conference in Myrtle Beach January 29-31 (reservation forms on the SAYRA website);
- the 2010 Sailing Season Meeting Saturday, March 6, to include River Rats training and the famous BYSC Barstool Regatta (Sue and Larry have agreed to host it again); and
- the first race of the Spring Series Sunday, March 28.

We'll need all of our great River Rats and more new ones to support all of these exciting events this year – so if you enjoy getting out on the water, think about volunteering for this club race management program. (Hours count toward your volunteer requirement.)

Check the *Bow Watch* and the BYSC website for details on these events and activities throughout the sailing season. If you have questions, suggestions or comments, you can reach me at 525-1316, 575-8998 or [barbers@islc.net](mailto:barbers@islc.net). Let's make the 2010 sailing season the best ever!

Fair winds and calm seas, John Barber

## Donation made to Junior Sailing of Beaufort

BYSC member Dennis Fuller (photo on left) passed away in November of 2007. Dennis participated in many of BYSC's activities, but spent the majority of his time and resources on BYSC's youth programs. In addition to the donation of a powerboat and sailboat in 2007, Jr Sailing was recently informed that Dennis had bequeathed \$25,000 to support its efforts. The Junior Sailing Board is working to develop a sailing scholarship (possibly for children who have never sailed or military children) in Dennis' honor. More details will be available as the program develops. Thanks to his gift, Dennis's spirit and enthusiasm for youth sailing will be felt at BYSC for many years to come.

*Family Movie Matinee*  
*Saturday, January 17th, 3pm*

*Feature movie is "Up", a Disney Film which has been well received by youth and grandparents alike.  
Popcorn and snacks will be served.*

**BYSC Learn to Sail and Summer Camp 2010**

Sessions will begin June 7, 2010

We will also be offering adult sailing lessons in the O'Day Daysailer beginning in April.



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**BYSC Classifieds**

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**1998 MC Scow**, ready to sail and race, new sail, extra sail, trailer, new cover, new bridle \$4600  
Call Paul Keyserling at 592-1790 or Frank Pontious at 252-4900

**'02 19' Trophy CC**, T-top, 150Merc, GPS, stereo, \$9500 Warren Richards 525-1605

**'94 Grady White 19'**, '94 Yamaha 150, trailer \$6500 Paul Michau 524-3177

**Optimist and Hobie for sale** Custom Pro-racer Opti, 2 sails, all bells and whistles, bags, covers, dolly, would like to trade for a used Laser. Hobie 14 w/trailer, 2 sails, needs work, \$1800  
Elise Marshall 838-4176

**2000 Pro Line Sport 24 (28 feet)**, center console, trailer, 250 Johnson (needs powerhead)  
Accepting offers. Call Jim at 812-2177

**Laser for sale** Contact Audrey Montgomery at 522-3151 for more info.

**J22 Fleet at BYSC** Anyone interested in ownership or partnership in a J22 please call  
George Dewhirst at 379-0942

**Spread the word**  
**BYSC membership**  
**opportunities are available!**

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