



Skidaway Soundings
August 2018

IN September

Susie Fusco:
Social Activity Coordinator

On September 11th, we will be cruising to A-J's for lunch.

The Carefree Boat Club is providing their boats for our cruise from the Landings Harbor Marina to A-J's on Tybee Island.



We plan to depart at 10 AM and return at about 3 PM.

Important- This event is limited to the first 18 club members to sign up.

RSVP to siboatingclub@gmail.com by September 4th.

On September 20, SIBC will hold an Oyster Roast at Landings Harbor.

Check the SIBC web site for details.

Roger That:
Comments
from the
Commodore



What a great summer. While many were enjoying their summers away from Skidaway, hard-coreers gathered to enjoy an intimate get together at Delegal Marina. What made this special was the spontaneous grouping of chairs and tables into a large circle so that we could all speak to each other, rather than mixing it up at individual tables. And that eggplant garnish is something to crave.

Bob Munson is on the heal from his rather extensive foot surgery. While he is not yet popping “wheelies” on his scooter, the gleam is back in his eye. Even while convalescing, Bob kept the website and newsletter going – a big thank you to him.

We had an extremely successful Low Country Hook race – our 3rd in so many years. If imitation is a form of flattery, two other local clubs have now calendared their own, not as elaborate, ocean races. Ours is a winner. This morning, as I write this, I was sent the J Boats News. (J-boats, like Paul

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Mark Winters:

The Landings Sailing Fleet and the Hook Ocean Race Recap

The 2018 Hook Race is history, but the excitement and memories will linger for months. The race took competitors from 22 sailboats on a 30 nautical mile race from the tip of Hilton Head Island, SC across Tybee Roads, and out into the Atlantic. Crews navigated the ocean until they reached a turning point just southeast of the Wassaw Sound entrance. The competitors sailed through Wassaw Sound up the Wilmington River to the finish-line which was in sight of Landings Harbor Marina. The first boat finished in 4 hours: 58 minutes: 9 seconds.



Mike Foster and crew crossing the finish line aboard *Ronin*.

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More from Roger:

Reddick's, are racing machines and in their varying classes, race world-wide.) Well, we made the current J Boats News, pictures and all. See <http://jsailingnews.blogspot.com/2018/08/> That means to us (and to The Landings) national recognition as did the frontpage story that appeared in 2017 in the *Wall Street Journal* discussing the "Burning of the Sox" party that we sponsor to celebrate the arrival of the boating season in the spring.

Mark Winters will have more to say on the race and the super after party elsewhere in this newsletter. I will mention that the boaters and guests from the Yacht Club of Hilton Head were delighted to race and were impressed with the party. See the *Savannah Morning News* article -

<http://www.savannahnow.com/sports/20180820/sailors-enjoy-challenge-of-low-country-hook-ocean-race>

An enormous thank you to our volunteers, both on land and on the water. Mark Winters and David Angell co-chaired the Race Committee at SIBC along with Jim Landis and Hap Todd who represented The Yacht Club of Hilton Head Island. Amy Collings wrote



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articles, got them placed, then took photos of the race and after party. Bob Munson designed and created the Race brochure. Carefree Boats provided an on the water photographer and drone (footage to come).



Susie Fusco and Pam Gerardi at the recent get together at the Delegal Marina.

Paulette Hamilton, Susie Fusco, Pam Gerardi, Georgie Carroll, Dan McCarthy, and Reenie Herrick all played critical roles. Together, these folks created a magnificent race and then dinner for the almost 200 attendees.



Hook after party at the Tiki Bar in the Landings Marina with complimentary beer from Moon River Brewery.



Dinner at the Hook after party at the Landings Marina

Next month, we will hold our annual oyster roast. A sell-out last year, watch for information on the web site. Also, Carefree Boating Club, on behalf of the SIBC, is providing boats for a luncheon trip to A-J's restaurant. Check our website and RSVP as there will be limited spots.

October brings our biggest event of the year (not including the Hook Race, but as popular), the Year-End-Bash. This year, it will be held at the State Park on Skidaway Island. Reservations will be a must.

See you all on the island.



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New Members:

It is with great pleasure that we introduce our newest members –

Tina and Jeff Dorward
Gus & Christy Moore
Doug and Lynn Powelson
Leanne and Robert Lenehan

A warm welcome to you all ...we hope to see you all at our upcoming oyster roast on September 20th.

More from Mark Winters:

The last boat to finish crossed the line in 7 hours: 14 minutes: 48 seconds.

A thank you goes out to our Professional Race Officer, Joleen Ramussen and her husband Eric, for their management of the start, finish, and scoring of the race.

Following the race, SIBC hosted a post-race party and awards ceremony with a live band, Towering Pines, complimentary beer from Moon River Brewery, and a dinner catered by Barnes. These festivities were held under a large tent at the Landings Harbor Marina Picnic grounds.

Thank you to all our sponsors including our signature sponsor, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services, and our major sponsors: Chatham Parkway Lexus, Bolton Air, Bernstein Investment. We also would like to thank the CGO Investment Group, Sound View Wealth Advisors, Dr. David Palmer, Vaden Automotive Group, J C Lewis Automotive Group, Craftmaster, State Farm, Sailor's Nautical Services, Hinckley Yacht Services, Cay Insurance, Carefree at The Landings, and Landings Marinas. These sponsors helped us present this event with excitement both on and off the water.

The next event for sailors in which non-sailors can also participate is a regatta that raises money to fight leukemia, lymphoma, and other blood cancers.



The 2018 Leukemia Cup Regatta will be held on September 16, 2018.



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Registration is open at
<http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/16847>

The Landings Sailing Fleet will participate again this year either with a class of J 24s or a class of Rhodes 19s.

Leukemia Cup Regattas raise funds across the country to support research in the fight against leukemia, lymphoma, and other blood cancers. Boats in the regatta compete not only on the water but also in raising funds. If you would like to donate to help the fight against cancer and to support crews from our sailing fleet, contact Fleet Captain Mark Winters at 2winters80@gmail.com

More photos from the Hook Ocean Race and after party where live music provided by Towering Pines.



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