

MEMORIAL DAY CRUISE TO OLETA RIVER STATE PARK

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There was lots to do. Micky-Mike and Roxy made the “Jungle Trip” (thank you, Adeel) and the “Sand Bar.” The Kellys, Sam and I went to the Sand Bar also (thanks Joe, for the beer). I dove and checked the props and zincs and the anchor. Micky-Mike cleaned the bottom of his boat. Everyone at one time or another was in the water (the air temp was 98 degrees), gossiping about those who weren’t there.

The food! OMG—anyone who was hungry wasn’t there. Saturday night we were on our own, but Sunday brunch was the world famous (he he he) “Drunk’n Eggs.” Sunday night, the Kellys brought burgers, hot

dogs and all the fixins. The land based grills were snatched up early so we brought everything out to the boats. Four boats, four grills—no problem.

Monday was a lazy laid back morning. Ben pulled out about 10-ish. Phil left around 11 and Micky-Mike and I weighed anchor around 1.

Oleta River State Park and anchorage is a great place: calm water, nice breeze, lots to do and good for land visitors. The only drawback is, we can’t sail there! Let’s plan to go there next year anyway.

Happy Sailing,

Gregg



MEMBERSHIP— PHIL DECKER

GSC would like to welcome the following new members to our club. Please say hello to them at our next meeting or social event!

Name	Phone	Boat
Brian Birely	305-393-9128	Second Star, Morgan 46 ketch
Douglas and Mary Brown	954-257-4744	Sunfish
Mike and Ellen Horning	954-401-3834	
Stephen O’Brien	505-903-0322	

GULFSTREAM REGATTA: APRIL 1, 2017

By Linda Gossett, GSC Treasurer

This year's regatta was definitely a Gulfstream race. We had only one boat come down from Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club—which was to their bad as it was a great day for racing.

The results were as follows:

ARC NON SPIN

1. Clementine. Skipper Eric Kobrin
2. Mi Sirena. Skipper Gregg Henry
3. Bleu Bayou. Skipper Mike Sawzak
4. Puff. Skipper Marvin Verble
5. Escape. Skipper Jim McBrayer
6. Alberta Rose. Skipper Jim Mahon

ARC SPIN

1. Puff. Skipper Richie Goldstein

MULTIHULL

1. Duet. Skipper Bill Stolberg



I want to thank all of our skippers for coming out and having a great race! I also want to thank all of my committee members for giving their all and making it a great Regatta.

Committee Members: Dave Wallace, Astrid Hunton, Luis Oliveira, John Edmonds, Franz and Janis Walkow

Prize Procurers: Janis Walkow, Betty Lou Webb and Rosemary Chelick-Mahon

Race Committee: Chris Woolsey, Jay and Garrie Wood

Committee Boat: Dave Wallace

Marks Boat: Derek, Roman and Jill Gastesi

Photographer: Bennett Rodriquez

Special thanks to Ben Bowen for getting the news out to everybody!



I am already beginning to put together plans for the 2018 Regatta and am looking for people to help with getting sponsors, publicity, and putting the after-race party together. Please contact me and let me know of your willingness to help.

Keep Sailing!

2017 RACE TO HAVANA

By Mike Sawzak, Past Commodore



When I volunteered to crew on GSC club member and Captain Paul Jehlen's "Unexpected Pleasure" for the 2017 2nd annual Miami to Havana sailboat race I knew it was adventure time! I heard of the trials and tribulations they experienced during the 2016 inaugural race and I was ready for anything excluding a hurricane.

First the preparation. As the year before there were still the same permits and applications with personal information to submit to the US Coast Guard for our vessel and the 10 final crew members and a number of alternates. That was when I learned the crew were all amateur athletes promoting a friendly sailing competition and cultural exchange between the United States and Cuba. A month of weekends the crew worked on our 62' vessel preparing for anything the sea and wind could muster with one sea trial.

The start of the race began just south of Miami Government Cut with a finish just off of Havana's Hemingway Marina. Ernest never did sail from the marina, it wasn't built yet. I was designated navigator along with my trusty I Pad 3 loaded with the very accurate and capable Navionics APP. I chose to take the advice of the SORC race web site staying close to the Florida Keys reefs to stay clear of the relentless Gulfstream current and then make a left turn at Key West. As always a crew has various opinions on tactics and routes and some wanted to turn earlier and face the Gulfstream. I wanted to pass Key West to take advantage of the current. Some of the fast-



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er sailboats did cut it right down the middle of stream though I knew that was not for us. We turned just before Key West.

The actual sail down the Keys chain was the most exhilarating experience we all could have hoped for. We had the spinnaker up most of the way in 20 plus winds with most of the crew at the helm for their shifts. Nothing can compare to steering a large sail boat at 3 am going 8-9 knots trying to keep a spinnaker full in the dark.

We crossed the Gulfstream without incident though we were fighting the current as the wind slowed. We reached the finish line co-ordinates at 3 am, 42 hours from Miami. This was a huge improvement from the previous year and we finished in the middle of the pack of our class.

The channel into Hemingway Marina is tricky and “muy peligroso” at night and we had one baby bump (touch the bottom) though without incident and proceeded to our first taste of the island...Cuban Customs. ***To be continued...***



Stiltville — June 24-25, 2017

Cost: \$20 Includes Burgers on Saturday Evening
and Breakfast Sunday Morning

(Breakfast to include a Bloody Mary Bar)

Please bring an appetizer to share on Saturday
afternoon; your own choice of beverages; sleeping gear; etc.

RSVP: Sam Walker — 954-404-0400

Or secretary.gsc.2015@outlook.com

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: UPCOMING EVENTS

By Rosemary Chelick-Mahon, GSC Secretary

Hi Everyone,

Your Social Committee together with your Cruising Committee would like to invite you to some fun events this season.

We have the Dinghy Run, Stiltsville, Fourth of July BBQ and the Beach Bash all coming up in the next few months. For those of you who have attended any or all of these events, you know that we have a lot of fun in great locations. For new members, please join us and see another side to our sailing face.

If you have any questions, please call me or talk to me at the general meetings or at Happy Hour.

If you would like to volunteer to help at any of the events, we would be more than grateful for an extra pair of hands.



Thanks to everyone who helps to put these events together from decorating, preparing and serving food and lastly for the cleanup.

We have had to raise the prices to attend Stiltsville and the Beach Bash this year by \$5.00 per person but costs have gone up and we are trying to make these events self-sufficient. The goal is to have each event pay for itself. The exception here is the Fourth of July Bash where the club is going to purchase the BBQ items. If you would like anything else on the grill, please bring it along and I

know that our great team of chefs will be happy to cook it up for you. As always, we aim to have fun and provide a safe, family friendly time. If you have any questions, please contact me OR Sam Walker by phone or email.

Rosemary Chelick-Mahon—954-479-4163 or
secretary.gsc.2015@outlook.com

Sam Walker—954-404-0400



DINGHY RUN

- When: June 17
- Where: Meeting at Lauderdale Isles Yacht Club
- Going To: My Big Fat Greek Restaurant
- Time: Start at 10 am
- Lunch at Noon
- Please sign the sheet going around or contact Sam Walker at C: 954-404-0400

If you would just like to come for lunch that would be great.



Time: 4:00 pm

Where: Sailor's Point

**What to Bring:
A Side Dish and Beverages**

**Club to Supply: BBQ Meats, Soda,
Water, Plates & Utensils**

**Also, bring lawn chairs so you can
sit back and enjoy the fireworks.**

2017 HOSPICE REGATTA—MAY 20, 2017

By Phil Decker, Rear Commodore and Membership Chair

Twenty-five sailboats participated in the 20th annual Hospice Regatta held on Saturday, May 20, including six from the Gulfstream Sailing Club. Hosted by the Coral Ridge Yacht Club, the event raised over \$12,000 by the end of the day to support programs that enhance the quality of life for patients and families, support unfunded and underfunded patient care, outreach programs and services for those facing advanced illness or grief in Palm Beach and Broward Counties. Sailors raised money through their entry fees, a silent auction of donated goods and services, and direct online contributions.



The twelve-mile race was held off Fort Lauderdale Beach in sporty three to five foot seas and moderate winds. Of the GSC boats in the ARC Class, **Blue Star** (Wallace/Sutton) took third place and **Unexpected Pleasure** (Paul Jehlen) took sixth according to the official results posted by the race organizers. In the Cruising Canvas Class, **Mi Sirena** (Gregg Henry) took fourth and **Muninn** (William Bradley) was listed sixth, but did not start. In the Gunkhole Class, **Catmandu** (Phil Decker / Kay Harrison), tried to race but were turned back due to the sporty three to five foot seas, and is listed in fifth place because it did not finish.

“It was absolutely gorgeous,” said Jehlen, remarking on his first time in the Hospice Regatta. Other GSC members on his 62-foot boat included Ron Francis, Tyler Jehlen, Paul Hinden, and John Edmonds. “We’re game for the next one!”



This is aboard Unexpected Pleasure, Paul Jehlen’s boat. Photo courtesy Paul Hinden.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES



GSC BEACH BASH 2017

August 19 at 2pm

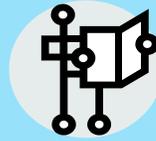
Dr. Von D. Mizell-Eula Johnson State Park
(formerly John U. Lloyd State Park)

Caribbean Theme

Cost: \$15 pp

Reservations Required

Rosemary @ 954-479-4163 or secretary.gsc.2015@outlook.com



Publication Schedule for 2017 Tiller Tales

September ISSUE

Article Deadline: Sept. 1, 2017

Mailing Date: Mid-September

December ISSUE

Article Deadline: Dec. 10, 2017

Mailing Date: Late December

Did you ever have an adventure on your boat?
Or on someone else's boat?

Write a tale for Tiller Tales, with all the details
(the more embarrassing, the better!)

Send your tales to kdolliver@hotmail.com

Put "Tiller Tales" in the Subject line!

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