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Fripp Island Yacht Club

2025

Ahoy Frippers,

The 2025 Fripp Island Yacht Club season has begun. Come join in on the fun.

The Fripp Island Yacht Club is the oldest and largest social club on the island.

You don't need a boat or yacht to belong. The FIYC has events on land and at sea.

Highlights of previous events are: Commodores Ball, Viewing Beaufort Air show on the "Fripper" or your own boat, Oyster Roast, Halloween Golf Tournament, boat trip to Hilton Head restaurants (we travel on Fripper) and Morgan River sandbar catered party.

FIYC 2025 Events

March 7	Oyster Roast (contact Eric Hull erichull1@gmail.com)
April (pending)	Beaufort AIR SHOW
May	Sponsoring Community Ctr Dinner
Sept	Boat trip to Hilton Head
October	Golf Tournament
November	Annual Dinner
Dec (pending)	Holiday Luncheon & Boat Parade
Jan 2026	Commodores Ball

Many more events will be scheduled

Membership forms can be found at the Fripp Island POA office or on the POA weekly information email.

We are currently working on a new webpage and hope to launch it soon.

Membership info: Contact Debbie St John : sanddstjohn@gmail.com

a letter from the editor

The first real sign of Spring is in the air—and on my car, IN my car, in my nose, hair, and eyes. Yes, our dear friend pollen has made its 2025 debut. While some of us suffer through the pain of this lovely coat of yellow powder covering everything in sight, we also rejoice that Spring is near.

Time to come out of my sweatpants hibernation and face the reality that my spring wardrobe may be a bit snug. I will again hold my breath and likely curse the closest for somehow shrinking everything with temperature fluctuation. It's very real, and even though I have yet to back it with true scientific theory, I'm hopeful I will one day.

We are all ready for warmer weather, longer days, and much-needed outdoor time. Especially since winter was a bit brutal with the S.N.O.W. in our area this year. I'm very sorry for using such language in my letter. Could we talk about it?

While it was inconvenient and slightly annoying, it was rather nice to see for a couple of days, but it may have overstayed its welcome by a day or so. We can also take comfort in knowing it usually won't stay for an extended period or become frequent. Besides, many people here are used to seeing it, in much larger quantities. Yet, we understand that many came here to escape that kind of weather. Imagine if you were visiting Fripp for the first time, it happened to be that same week, thinking maybe you would be going to a warmer place, to see snow on the beach. That would be my luck.

Here's to a wonderful spring on Fripp Island!

Stacie

COMMUNITY CENTRE

Submitted by Barb Anton

For people who are new to Fripp or new to the Community Centre this is a quick overview of the Centre located at 205 Tarpon Blvd!

The Fripp Island Community Centre is a place, a group of volunteers, a chapel, a place to meet, an exercise venue.... ALL OF THESE!!

The Chapel at the Centre was built in 2018 as a spot for Fripp Island residents "The purpose of the Fripp Island Community Centre is to further the religious, spiritual and cultural growth of Fripp Island through the promotion and support of a community center and an all-faiths chapel that welcomes all faith traditions." The Fripp Island Community Centre Chapel continues

to promote these throughout the weeks with various activities. Once a week there is a Wednesday Evening Service where local ministers come and share their thoughts and prayers to those in attendance. In 2024, the Choir Director along with our pianist and the talented choir members (most Fripp residents) share their talents to enhance the spiritual sharing time. There are also special services held throughout the year as residents of Fripp use the chapel for group religious activities and gatherings. The Anglican church also known as The Church on the Beach uses the chapel for their services when the weather warrants indoor services. Many weddings also use the chapel as a perfect coastal chapel and/or as a safeguard for weather when scheduling a beach wedding. The chapel also serves as a perfect venue for musical concerts (Friends of Music) as well as a



great venue for a presentation on various points of interest to the Fripp Community (Audubon Club). The chapel also is a great place for a meeting for over 100 people.

In 2023 and 2024, the Board of the Community Centre utilized some of their monetary donations to upgrade the kitchen at the Centre. The upgrade brought the kitchen up to a commercial grade kitchen. This affords the Centre's members the opportunity to cook for large groups, families and friends. This upgrade is also great for caterers to cook for a large group. There is also a commercial dishwasher for all the dishes, silverware and cooking equipment. The Centre also has tables, chairs and table linens available to use for those who contract with the Centre. The kitchen along with the hall is a great place for meetings, family gatherings, classes, speakers and of course the community dinners.

Every month, except for summers, the Community Centre has a Community Dinner. This is a great time to meet your neighbors and eat a fabulous meal made by Chef Harry. There is usually a short program put on by a community group.

BINGO is held at the Community Centre throughout the year. This fun, highly regulated by the State of South Carolina is a fund raiser for The Community Centre. The BINGO guru, Brooke Pearson and lovely wife Betty manage these games them selves or they have a trained (and state approved) community volunteers who excite those in attendance with this game of chance! The dates and times are posted in many places throughout the Island.

The library is a place everyone needs to visit; the large 2 room library is a place for books. There are so many slightly used books, puzzles, CD's it is just Amazing. There is also an area for children's books.

These slightly used books are available for a timeless rental fee of \$.25 Monday – Friday.

The activities during the day at Hammet Hall are fun and diverse. On Mondays there are 4 different exercise classes, morning & afternoon. There are aerobics, 2 different yoga classes. Tuesdays are days of fun and activities. Move to the Groove is an hour full of fun, dance, music and exercise! Wednesdays are typically meetings, disbursed with some fun. The day begins with aerobics at 7:30 am and ends at 5:30 with the Services and music in the chapel. Thursdays is Game day! The morning is full of people playing serious Bridge. These individuals are great players with concentration on cards! Often there are special celebrations for Holidays and Special days! In the afternoon it is time for Mahjong! A fun game of skill and maneuvering! Lots of laughs with real serious skill!

The day ends with a Yoga class of physical, mental and spiritual practices. Fridays starts with the Early birds exercising at 7:30, then the music starts and it's time to with Move to the Groove. There is also a small knitting group that is held during the week in the library. During the weekend it may be quiet or there may be a special private dinner, dance or meeting. If you have a special skill, interest or an 'always wanted to ...' let someone on the board know or fill out a contact form on our website frippcc.org and we will look into it and explore the option.

If you are new to Fripp or haven't had the opportunity to visit the Community Centre or have a great idea for a class or event please contact boreillyanton@outlook.com and someone will get back to you. If you have some time and want to help your community send an email to the same address. Help is always appreciated!



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Welcome to the Fripp Island Men's Golf Association (MGA)

Dear FIR Member,

We are excited to invite you to join the Fripp Island Men's Golf Association (MGA). Whether you're looking to improve your game, enjoy friendly competition, or just connect with fellow golfers, the MGA provides an excellent opportunity to be part of a vibrant and active golfing community here on Fripp Island.

Why Join the MGA?

- **Regular Monday Competitions:** We meet every Monday for a fun, competitive round of golf, usually teeing off between 8:00 and 9:00 AM. It's a great way to start the week, engage with fellow members, and enjoy the game in a relaxed yet competitive setting.
- **Catering to All Skill Levels:** We cater to golfers of all abilities, and thanks to the handicap system, everyone is evenly matched. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, our weekly events ensure that everyone has a fair shot at success, making it enjoyable for all.
- **Special Events:** In addition to our regular Monday competitions, we host several special events throughout the year. These include seasonal tournaments, competitions, and social gatherings that bring our membership together in the spirit of friendly competition and fun.

Cost & Eligibility

Membership in the MGA is just \$40 per year. Please note that you must be a member of the Fripp Island Resort (FIR) Club to join the MGA. However, guests are welcome to play with an MGA member on Mondays. Your membership entitles you to play as little or as often as you desire. There is no minimum.

A Few of Our Favorite Events

Some of our most popular events include:

- **Fripp Cup**
- **Masters Tournament**
- **Member-Member Tournament**
- **Flight Championship**
- **Annual Home/Away Competition with Dataw Island**
- **Beat the Pro**
- **Red Ball Tournament**

These events offer a wonderful blend of competition and camaraderie, with opportunities for both serious golfers and those who simply want to enjoy a round or two with friends.

If you're looking for a community of golfers who share your passion for the game and enjoy a friendly, welcoming atmosphere, the MGA is the perfect fit. We'd love to have you as part of our group!

To sign up or learn more, please contact Dennis Perrone at dsperrone@gmail.com (860) 276-3715.

We look forward to welcoming you to the Fripp Island Men's Golf Association soon!

Sincerely,

Dan Bialas

President, Fripp Island Men's Golf Association

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Fripp Island Women's Club



What a fantastic, fun, successful Bingo and Barbecue!!! Thank you, Frippers, for your generous donation of \$4,466 to Saint Helena Elementary School/Adopt-A-School. Your donation will benefit Mimi's Closet, educational field trips, school clubs, teacher appreciation activities and classroom volunteers.

During the evening Peter Zamuka, president of Adopt-A-School, shared its mission; to improve the lives and academic performance of Saint Helena students. Mrs. Goodwine-Louis, the principal of Saint Helena Elementary, led Frippers in a spirited school cheer.

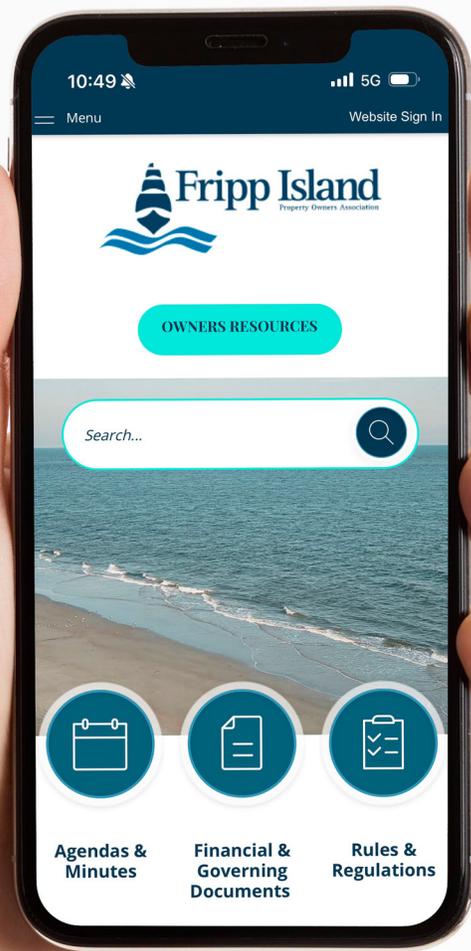


A big thank you to Sheila Tindall and Nola Wood for coordinating Bingo and Barbecue, Ken and Barb Anton for serving the beverages, and Brooke and Betty Pearson for calling Bingo. Thank you to Harold's Chef Services for the delicious barbecue.



To learn more about Adopt-A-School and Saint Helena volunteer opportunities, please visit <https://adas-beaufortsc.org/>

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Spring II (May 2025) - Due Date Thursday 4/24/25	
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Fall (September 2025) - Due Date Thursday 8/28/25	
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Holiday Issue (December 2025) - Due Date Thursday 11/27/25	
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Captain Ralph's

FISHING REPORT



By Captain Ralph Goodison

Winter is here and in fact we had 3 1/2 inches of snow, but some of our fish don't know it.

We all know fishing and boating slow during the cold winter months. The prescription however warmer clothes, hot coffee and gloves. Many of our fish, their metabolism slows but their appetite is there. Some of our fish do hibernate, but some are ready for you to catch.

FISHING REPORT:

INSHORE FISHING: Maxwell Bridge, Wardels Landing has slowed but it is better at incoming tide. In shore fishing around the bridge, docks and structure, Black Drum and Sheephead are the meal ticket. A few Black Bass, Redfish and Trout may show up.

NEARSHORE: Black Drum and Sheephead will keep you warm with plenty of rod action and help fill the cooler. The best fishing can be found around the wreck of Savannah, Fripp Reef, 6HI, bridges and structure. A few Redfish, Trigger and Blackbass may show.

STREAM/DEEP WATER: Not many reports. Cold long trips with some migrating fish.

Winter is here but there is no vacation for The Fripp Marina, Excursions, and of course the Marina Store. The Marina will hold the 2 day Memorial Day Fishing Tournament, The 2 day Labor Day Kingfish Tournament, October Inshore Fishing Tournament and The Annual Thanksgiving Kid's Fishing Tournament. Excursions is preparing with their paddle boarding center, boat rentals, bike and motor bike rentals, of course state of the art golf cart Rentals. Meanwhile the Marina store has those great Miss Nickies sandwiches, hot soups and 7-11 store.

Great news; the new spectacular Fripper has arrived for a fun filled great summer excursion. You can plan for your vacation, for guests or friends that Fripp Island is the place, not perfect but darn close.



Bottom Left: Nothing better than family fishing and yes, good eating. Top Right: Yes, he caught the Sheephead and told Captain George he was going to clean it. Middle Right: Sheephead hot around wrecks and structure. Bottom Right More families are enjoying time together and fishing hits the spot. Captain George on Miss Lia 11 is a great recipe.



FRIPP ISLAND WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION

Fripp Islands Women's Golf Association (FIWGA) was off to a cold start for 2025. Despite the cold weather many braved the elements for the honor of Queen for January. The first Tuesday of every month we compete for the honor of Queen, which is low net/low gross play. Kathy Lynch was our Queen for January. Our winner for February Queen was Bonnie Jentner.

Fortunately, it did warm up and we had several good playing days.

On February 13, we joined our Nine hole ladies league to play the GALentine tournament. This is an annual tradition for us and always lots of fun.

The Overall Winners: Barb Kudwa, Pat Lawton, Sandra Stuart, Barb Eilbacher
The Pink Ball Winners: Amanda Huber, Louise Flynn, Annelisa Bindra, Debbie Perrone

Joanne Aldrich had Hole in One on #15 at Ocean Point. The first FIWGA Hole in One for 2025! This was the 7th Hole in One for Joanne!

The FIWGA also held their first quarterly luncheon and meeting at the Beach Club on Tuesday, February 18. We awarded most improved golfer for 2024 - Michelle Proser.

Also recognized 2024 Hole in One's - Joanne Aldrich, Joan Burke and Linda Ashby.

2024 Eagles - Kathy Lynch, Sue Bielstein and Michelle Proser.

2024 Birdies - 111 (Too numerous to list)

Our next meeting will be April 15th. Details to follow.

Upcoming events for the Winter/Spring season are listed below. Please come out and join us.

March 4th - Battle of the Sexes - This annual battle has been moved to this new date to avoid conflicts with the MGA and FIWGA. We need our 'A' game to let the MGA know we want our trophy back!! There will be a lunch after play in the New Haven Party Room, details to follow soon.

March 11th - Canadian Day - Please sign up for our annual play day with our friends from the North. They would like to get a good estimate of how many of us will be playing so they can bring the proper amount of Canadian treasures for us! We will have a casual lunch after play, so please plan on staying for the fun.

April 1st - Memorial Tournament - This is our month-long Match Play tournament with a little twist this year. We will be playing from the Combo Tees at the Point and each player will receive 80% of their handicap for those tees. We are hoping this might encourage more people to join the fun. Once the pairings are announced everyone will be responsible for making their own tee times.

April 3rd - Coastal Cup with Dataw - We are hosting the Spring leg of the Coastal Cup at Ocean Pointe, we have held the Cup for the last 2 legs and I am not ready to give it back, it looks so pretty in our trophy case! Cost: \$35 This money will go towards a tee gift and lunch at the Beach Club, the field is limited to 20 people from Fripp, so sign up today!

Also save the Date for the FIWGA ladies Annual Member/Guest on May 1 - 3. The theme this year will be the Wizard of Oz. All Lady Golfers can play in this fun event. So grab your Ruby slippers and join the fun on the Yellow Brick Road to Fripp!

The FIWGA is open to all women resort members, and the cost to join our group is just \$60. The money is used for weekly prizes, happy hours, and tournaments. If you are interested in joining our group please contact Allison Baker at 313-300-9060 or taka43@comcast.net.

Come join us soon!



Top Left: The 2024 Birdie Girls, Top Right: Joanne's 7th Hole in One, Middle: 2024 FIWGA Eagle Ladies Bottom, left to right: January Queen Kathy Lynch, Most Improved Player 2024 Michelle Proser Receiving Trophy from last year's most improved Pat Lawton, 2024 Hole in One Ladies Joanne Aldrich, Linda Ashby Joan Burke (Absent)

Fripp Audubon Club

Submitted by John Wellborn

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Fripp Island Sea Rescue

Mary T. Jacobs, Communications Officer

HOSST Helicopter Operations Safety Summit Team/Training

Many Fripp Islanders hear the Monday evening roaring engine of the United States Coast Guard helicopters (HELO) out in the Fripp Inlet. Fripp Island Sea Rescue (FISR) trains with the Coast Guard nearly every Monday evening. On some occasions, there are two HELOS participating in the training. Because Fripp Island is located relatively equal distance between their facilities in Savannah and Johns Island (Charleston), Fripp is an ideal spot for their HELO draining. FISR's role is to assist in any training exercises involving a vessel as well as to be ready to assist in the event of a catastrophe.



Recently, FISR Members participated in a mandatory annual USCG HOSST training with the Coast Guard. HOSST is the acronym for Helicopter Operational Safety Summit Team at Air Station Savannah located at the Hunter Army Airfield. FISR Members Dan Cotter (Skipper), Nancy Wingenbach (Quarter Master), Eric Roberts (Former Skipper), and I (Communications Officer) attended the

training. When we arrived for the training, we were greeted by Lt. Andrew Ziebell a pilot with the Coast Guard and our trainer for the day. Lt. Ziebell participates in the Fripp



exercises from time to time. We were familiar with his voice from radio communications, but were excited to meet him in person. We had the opportunity to meet other members of the Coast Guard who provide the same service. The training included discussion, videos, PowerPoint slides and a question-and-answer period. We also visited the hanger to take a closer look at the HELOS and related equipment. We also had an opportunity to



visit and meet with the new Commanding Officer, LTC Maegan Schwartz. Our discussion with her was warm and welcoming; we could sense in her voice her commitment and dedication to the Coast Guard.

Eric Roberts has been working with HELO training for many years and works closely with the Coast Guard at Air Station Savannah. Eric coordinates all the logistics and communications for the FISR Crew handling the training. I asked Eric to give further details about the reasoning for the HOSST training and explain the collaboration between FISR and the Coast Guard and he shared the following:

HOSST was formed after an incident in September of 2008 where a USCG Dolphin HH-65C helicopter crashed in the ocean off Oahu during night training similar to what we do here at Fripp Island. The hoisting cable became snagged on a deck fitting of a 47' USCG boat, snapped under the extreme load, and recoiled back into the HELO's main rotors, causing damage that tragically cost the lives of all four crewmen on board the HELO. After investigation of the incident, the HOSST team was formed and created a mandatory annual training session for all agencies providing safety boats like FISR does for the USCG helicopter hoisting exercises. We send a small team to the training every winter, and that team shares their learning with the entire FISR crew at the next monthly meeting.

The HELOS you see training with us around Fripp are not allowed to commence hoisting their swimmers unless we are on scene. Reason being: the HELOS typically have a crew of four aboard, but only one rescue swimmer. If that swimmer gets in trouble in the water, there is no one aboard who can be hoisted down to assist them. So, our job is to be ready to motor over to assist - and this has happened at least once in FISR's 40-year history (May-2022). Fortunately, we've never had to assist the crew after a ditching, and we hope we never have to. The "Coasties" as we affectionately call them are required to update their skills periodically, and that includes everyone aboard the HELOS: the pilots, the flight mechanics, and the rescue swimmers. If they don't maintain their minimums, then they are grounded and can't perform their duties on live rescue missions. The crewmembers of FISR are happy to help the "Coasties" maintain their skills so that they're ready at all times to come to the aid of boaters in our area. Last summer we put their skills and ours to the test when we assisted with two live missions in the marsh off the northwest side of Fripp, when persons from grounded recreational boats were hoisted to safety by USCG HELO crews.

I also asked Nancy Wingenbach about her thoughts on the day. Nancy shared the following:



Attending the HOSST training totally changed my perspective of the FISR HELO assignment as a safety watch for the Coast Guard swimmer drops and hoisting. Viewed from the FISR vessel, the HELO looks small in cabin size. The pilot and co-pilot, flight mechanic and swimmers are jammed into very little space alongside the recovery basket. I now have a more realistic perspective that reflects challenging and at times dangerous work. I am grateful for the services the Coast Guard provides the Low Country Waters and for the support that we at FISR can provide it.

As, I reflect on the day of training and the HELO exercises I have participated in, I definitely moved my understanding of HELO to the next level. Truly, my eyes have been opened even more. In closing I asked our Skipper, Dan Cotter, to share his thoughts on the day as well:

It's a privilege and honor to be asked by the USCG to assist in their training. The HOSST training also enhances FISR's readiness to assist in Missions in the waters surrounding Fripp Island. In August of last year, while on one of these routine training missions with the Coast Guard, the USCG surprised the FISR crew with an award from M.D. Brimblecom, then Commander from Air Station Savannah, who expressed appreciation to FISR for the last two years assisting in the training on 87 Missions with 270 hoists during his two-year command! Commander Brimblecom, who was on the training Mission, personally swam over to R1 to present our Crew with a plaque and Letter of Appreciation.

Fripp Island Sea Rescue (FISR) assists those in distress on the waters surrounding Fripp Island and its neighboring barrier islands. FISR is deeply grateful for the support it receives from the community. To volunteer, donate, or just learn more about FISR, visit us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/FrippIslandSeaRescue/> or at www.fisreascue.org.





ST. HELENA'S

CHURCH AT FRIPP ISLAND



St. Helena's Care Team recently celebrated Valentine's weekend with an outpouring of love for Fripp Island. Chris Goodman and her team prepared hundreds of homemade treats for a cookie and punch party at the Community Centre. St. Helena's Prayer Team was in attendance to share an important part of this ministry. After the party, cookies were delivered to residents all over the island.



27 Fripp Island Residents make up our care team. They are available to help with any needs you may have. Whether it's a ride to the doctor, home cooked meal, borrowing medical equipment or just checking in to make sure you are okay. You do not have to be a member of our congregation to receive help.

Our hope is to shine God's love throughout Fripp Island.

Please don't hesitate to contact Chris Goodman, our Care Team Leader, if we can help in any way.

Chris Goodman

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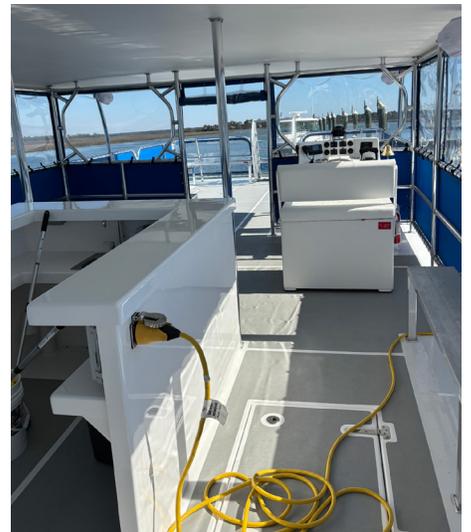


FRIPP ISLANDS NEW EXCURSIONS BOAT ARRIVES by Captain Ralph Goodison

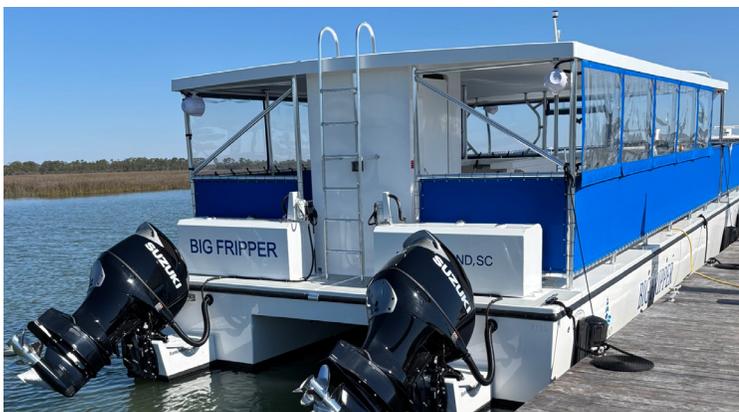
Big Fripper ARRIVES at the marina. The spectacular new excursion boat, built in Florida for the Fripp Island Resort. The new Fripper is preparing for service and is undergoing U S Coast Guard inspections and registration. Master USCG Captains with Certified mates will command the new boat. The new boat will be called Big Fripper. 47 feet long and 16 foot wide and have twin 300 HP motors. Big Fripper has state of the art electronics at the captains command center. An updated Rest Room and a Live Bar to host parties and celebrations. The 49 passenger boat will bring a venue for celebrations or a great cruise to see spectacular dolphins or some the best wetlands and wildlife on the east coast.



The history of Fripp Islands Fripper goes back 27 years. Fripper 1 was a 39 passenger and was built in Pennsylvania and Captain Ralph's First Mate was 15 year old George Tangelos. That is right Fripp Islands number 1 fishing Captain on Miss Lia 11. Fripper 1, for over 12 years Fripper served Fripp but the US Coat Guard said it was time to get a new Fripper. Captain Ralph found Fripper 11 in Florida and found a Church to buy the old Fripper Happy Days. Fripper 11 will continue in service for small cruises and fishing.



Over the years Fripper hosted 8 weddings ,12 funerals, 2 appearances of HGTV on TV, American Idol Filming Show and many celebrities and politicians and most of all many great experiences over the years for it's owners and guests. The great news is that we have a new Fripper ready for your adventure on Fripp Island treasures, that Fripp Island a very special destination on the east coast. (Fripp Island is Not Perfect But Darn Close)





Fripp Island Ladies Nine Hole Golf

**Come join a fun group of ladies
Beginners are welcome**

Schedule:

Tuesday: play your own game

Thursday: tournament play with a

Different game weekly

Often meet for lunch after play

Yearly luncheon

Prizes awarded

Alternate play on Ocean Creek

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Can join anytime

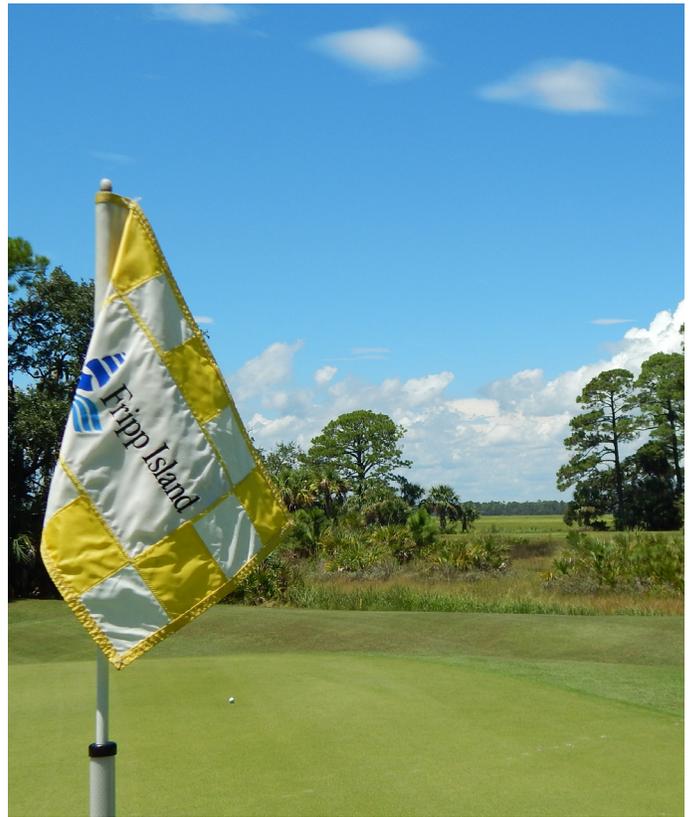
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Children's Corner

by
Mary T. Jacobs

Character Building Words

February, 2025

Quote of the month:

Once you replace negative thoughts with positive thoughts,
you'll start having positive results.

Willie Nelson

This will be our last lesson on character words. I will share how to teach the words and to understand them. Hopefully, you and your parents will refer to these words throughout 2025!

There are 109 words that describe character.

First, I will define character. Character is the overall mental and moral qualities of an individual. This includes their basic personality, talents and habits.

Parents, please do the following.

- Use an index card to write the words and post them on the refrigerator once a week. Then the next week add another word to the refrigerator, but review the other words as well.
 - Ask your child to draw what the word means
 - Name a person or persons they think the word describes
- Let's now move to the letters p, r, s and t.

1. Passionate: Showing or caused by a strong belief.

Write your sentence on the back of the index card.

2. Refined: With impurities or unwanted elements having been removed (such as the sugar is refined.)

Write your sentence on the back of the index card.

3. Sincere: free from pretense or deceit, real feelings

Write your sentence on the back of the index cards.

4. Trustworthy: honest and you can count on that person.

Write your sentence on the back of the card.

Learning together around the dinner table!

Discuss with your family at the dinner table, and decide on fun activities the family can do in the upcoming warmer weather!!

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Hope to see you walking the beach soon!!



The Robert Gardiner Jazz Quintet Comes to Fripp
Submitted by Margit Resch

“Fantastic group of musicians--sound great!! If you have a chance-go see them!!”

“The concerts are off the chain good.”

“World class for sure!”

These are just three of the many rave reviews posted by fans of Dr. Robert Gardiner’s ensembles. We will have a chance to see his quintet on March 16 on Fripp Island. And believe you me, those five musicians have impressive résumés. I have only enough space to list a few of their accomplishments as a group and as individuals.

Dr. Gardiner’s days must be a lot longer than our normal 24 hours, he has so many time-demanding responsibilities related to music, specifically to jazz—this globally celebrated, original American music genre. In summary, he is the jazz guru of South Carolina.

He received his Doctor of Musical Arts degree at the University of South Carolina in Columbia in 2008, and he is now Professor of Music at Lander University, teaching saxophone, brass and woodwind methods, jazz improvisation, and music education courses. There he also leads the Lander University Jazz Ensemble and a variety of jazz combos. He is the founder of the South Carolina Jazz Foundation, created to build a network of support for jazz and jazz education in his home state.

The list of Gardiner’s musical entrepreneurship is endless. As a freelance saxophonist, he has shared the stage with a number of well-known artists such as Aretha Franklin and The Four Tops. He has also played with the Charleston Symphony. And he recorded original compositions released under the title “Soul of Confidence.”

Robert has been instrumental—in the various meanings of this word—in the establishment and direction of a wide array of ensembles, ranging from jazz to classical, R&B, salsa and top-40s, like the Palmetto Concert Band, the Columbia Jazz Orchestra, the Capital City Big Band (a group of 20 musicians playing jazz hits from the big band era as well as contemporary jazz arrangements), the South Carolina Jazz Masterworks Ensemble, and, last but not least, the Robert Gardiner Jazz Quartet, which is known to perform every week in some music venue in Columbia. The quartet is not always composed of the same musicians. But the members always perform at the highest artistic level. “World class for sure.”

Originally, his quartet was to come to Fripp. But Fripp Island Friends of Music just found out, to their delight, that Gardiner will bring an additional musician, i.e. he will bring a quintet composed of himself, saxophone; Tim Leahey, trumpet; Amos Hoffman, guitar and oud; Brendan Bull, drums; and Sam Edwards, bass.

Tim Leahey began studying the trumpet at the age of 6, performed with the Altoona Symphony and the Miss Pennsylvania Pageant Orchestra while still in high school. As a student of music at Youngstown State University, he was named Intercollegiate Musician of the

Year and won first place in the International Trumpet Guild jazz improvisation competition. Since, Tim has performed with many famous artists and big bands such as The Temptations and the Tonight Show Orchestra. From 1994-2017, Tim was a trumpeter in The Airmen of Note, a jazz ensemble that is part of the United States Air Force Band and consists of 18 professional jazz musicians. For ten years, until 2018, Tim was also a member of the Shook Russo Quintet, and he has been a clinician/adjudicator/guest conductor at numerous educational events. He has been featured as a soloist on over two dozen CD recordings and has performed on the Alfred Publishing jazz improvisation series *Approaching the Standards*.

Amos Hoffman, an Israeli jazz guitarist and oudist, beautifully integrates Middle Eastern rhythms and melodies with western jazz. He started playing as a youngster, attended the prestigious Rubin Academy of Music in Jerusalem, traveled all over the world for new musical experiences ending up in New York. To date, Hoffman has recorded 5 solo albums: *The Dreamer* (1999), *Na'ama* (2006), *Evolution* (2008), *Carving* (2010), and *Back to the City* (2015). He has also contributed his amazing talents to dozens more recordings for artists in Israel, Spain, Poland—on and on. In 2013, Amos was awarded one of Israel's most prestigious prizes: The Landau Prize for Arts and Sciences for Outstanding Achievement in the field of Jazz. Now Hoffman lives in the U.S., hoping for more exciting musical adventures and reaching an even larger appreciative audience.

Brendan Bull, drummer and percussionist, hails from Chapin, SC and graduated from USC in Columbia with a degree in Jazz Studies. In his words, he likes “throwing down with the boys” at Pearlz Oyster Bar in Columbia, getting “down witch bad selves for some serious swing and most righteous groove and tuneage.” Few drummers have fans who follow them around. Brendan does. He has charisma, like Robert. He can be seen in various venues in Columbia with the Amos Hoffman Trio, which includes Sam Edwards, the fifth member of the quintet playing here on Fripp March 16.

Sam Edwards is an amazingly creative bassist who ignites his fanhood to loud applause in various venues in Columbia with his Sam Edwards Quartet, including Ben Eidson, sax, Greg Patterson, guitar and Brendan Bull, drums. But more often than not, he plays bass with other ensembles. Last year, he, Brendan and a bunch of other SC jazz musicians entertained the crowds at the annual South Carolina Jazz Festival in Cheraw, SC, the hometown of legendary Dizzy Gillespie. Sam calls Columbia, SC home, but he regularly travels to New York City to play in top clubs there. And in case you, too, fall in love with Sam, let me tell you: “The City of Cayce, SC is thrilled to announce the return of the Soiree on State, to be held on its new date, Saturday, March 22, 2025. Sam Edwards, a Columbia bassist, will be performing jazz in the City's Art Lot all day!”

Come enjoy this amazing group March 16 at 5:00 pm, in Fripp Island's Community Center, 205 Tarpon Boulevard. The concert is presented by Fripp Island Friends of Music and supported by the SC Arts Commission. Attendees get a free pass at the Fripp gate. Tickets at the door: adults \$30 and free for students, thanks to the Peg Gorham Memorial Fund. You are invited to join the musicians at a complimentary reception after the performance, catered deliciously by Harold's Chef Services. Do you have questions? Email or text Vanessa Peñaherrera at vandy116@gmail.com or (704) 807-0255. And go to frippfriendsofmusic.com





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Contributed by Bart Lehman

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Mar 25	Margit Resch The Life of Seashells and other Beach Creatures
Apr 22	Dan McCormick Starts at 11am in the Chapel with lunch to follow
May 20	John Warley Barnwells of Beaufort



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