

# THE TRAWLER

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## Shoreline Access Committee Update

*Brad Bradley*

Our Shoreline team has been working diligently since June 1<sup>st</sup> to reopen our beach accesses. We have divided into several subcommittees so we can best address a complex situation.

Short term, we are waiting for approval from OCRM (Ocean & Coastal Resource Management) to reopen Beach Accesses #2, #11 and #15.

Our long term goal is to create 32 beautiful beach accesses. We prefer sandy paths...landscaped in a natural eco friendly way. We want to standardize our access entrances. Every entrance will look the same with a natural opening and consistent signage. Construction will be uniform and built in such a way they can be easily maintained for future generations.

Three engineers are assisting with standardized design and structural components. We have been in talks with the State Chief of OCRM. She has suggested we bring in an expert consultant in the field of Shoreline Management and develop a formal Beach Management Plan. We are following her recommendation.

We are going to create a beachfront that is beautiful and fully accessible. We have no intention of doing anything that will not be environmentally friendly, nor do any work other than enhancing a natural, dry sand and living beach. We will be following the recommended protocols, using best practices, and will have our plan fully developed by experts and approved by OCRM before, during and after. We only plan to use "soft solutions" of sand borrowing and minor management to create natural paths and better drainage. There will be challenges and in some areas we may have to build boardwalks where there is no better option.



Our goal is to do our best to get permitting in place by the fall and do the work over the winter which is recommended for a variety of reasons. This will allow us to have more accesses open and ready by the spring.

We will have something to present to property owners in the coming months. You will be provided with full details of the access plan and the costs associated with it. We realize this is a new budget item and has not been done in the past. However, with 40% of our accesses being closed this summer, we have no choice but to make this a priority.

Depending on the costs of this project, it may warrant additional revenue. We do not know yet if this will be the case, but it is a possibility. We are working hand in hand with the Finance Committee as we go along. Once we get there, we look forward to presenting the details to you. Our beach is our most important asset.

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## Splinters from the Board

The Board of Directors Meeting was held on June 11, 2016 with a good turnout from property owners. The Board elected Chris Assaf President, Ralph Burchfield as Vice President, Whit Suber as Secretary, and Jim Wolbrink as Treasurer.

To see the General Manager's report and full minutes of all FIPOA meetings, please go to: [frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/poa-organization/board-meetings/board-meetings-minutes/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/property-owners-association/poa-organization/board-meetings/board-meetings-minutes/)



**Robert Robertson**

**Millie Barnhardt**



**WELCOME**

## New Owners on Fripp

5/1/16 to 6/30/16

*ABSYL Enterprises LLC, Waynesboro GA*

*MEML Properties LLC clo Esber, Akron OH*

*Jeffrey & Patricia Cornwell, Hebron OH*

*Rebecca Bazzle, Louisville KY    Donnie & Wendy Wendel, Largo FL*

*Joel L & Kelly Garnto, Evans GA    David Hahn, New Hope PA*

*Richard & Karen Hartmann, Ellicott City MD*

*John F Herubin, Mentor OH    Gregory Howard John, Middletown OH*

*Larry & Patricia Larsen, Suwanee GA    Stephen Mitchell, Beaufort SC*

*Thomas & JoAnn McCarty, Crystal River FL*

*Todd & Laurie Palombo, Beaufort SC    Donald Sigley, Charlotte NC*

*Brooke & Elizabeth Pearson, Montpelier VT*

*K. Kelly Siobhan & Patricia Malone, Swansea MA*

*Lawrence Casler & Jeanine Skok, Thomson Station TN*

*Robert & Deborah Stroud, Knoxville TN*

*Mary Trenkle, Wilkesboro NC    Rodney & Adacia Walker, Landis NC*

**New owners on Fripp Island: the FIPOA website has information that will help with the transition.**

[frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/new-owners/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/new-owners/)

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Deadline for September TRAWLER is

August 31st.

FIPOA Board Meeting Schedule

August 13, 2016 - 9:00 AM. at the

FIPOA Administrative Office

September 10, 2016 - 9:00 AM. at the

FIPOA Administrative Office

(This schedule is subject to change.)

All meetings are open.

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with "add me to the minutes list" in the subject

Or write FIPOA, 225 Tarpon Blvd,

Fripp Island, SC 29920 with your name and email

address. We would like to have EVERY owner

subscribe to this service.

Email addresses will be kept confidential.

## FIPOA Finance Committee

*Charlie McCoy*

The new Finance Committee for 2016-2017 has formed with new volunteer members, Tina Turner (BOD), Phil Noyes, and Jim Wolbrink (Treasurer & BOD), joining committee veterans Cliff Spann, David Manning and Mark Griffin. Charlie McCoy, who joined the Finance Committee late last year, is serving as Chairman.

The committee is focusing on several key improvement initiatives that continue the work of last year's committee, specifically to:

- Simplify and streamline FIPOA's financial processes and practices
- Improve our General Ledger Chart of Accounts and Financial Reporting, and
- Update FIPOA's Financial Policy Documentation

### 2017 Budgeting

In June, Kate Hines kicked off our 2017 budgeting process by issuing a Budget Call Letter to all Committee Chairs and key staff who manage FIPOA's spending categories. The first round of budget requests are due back in mid-August, with a planned first-draft presentation to the Board in September. Final 2017 budgets are targeted for approval at the October Board meeting.

### Reserve Study

Every three years, FIPOA engages an outside engineering expert to conduct a Reserve Study. FIPOA has contracted with Reserve Advisors for an update in 2016, and that study is in process.

The Reserve Study essentially has two components:

1. The study produces a 30-year forecast of the cost of major repairs and replacements of FIPOA's common area capital assets. The main asset categories are roads and bridges, shoreline access, buildings, parks and playgrounds, crabbing docks, and lagoons and lakes.

It is important to note that the study assumes a normal useful life of the assets. Replacements and repairs due to storm or other natural disasters are not covered by this study.

2. The second component of the Reserve Study is a Funding Recommendation of how much money FIPOA should contribute each year to its Capital Reserve Fund and Road and Bridge Fund to pay for these future costs.

We expect to finalize the Reserve Study over the next few weeks and will provide an update to the Board at that time.

### Disaster Recovery Financial Plans

The Finance Committee is also working with the Disaster & Recovery Committee to develop a recommendation on the financial elements of a Disaster Recovery Plan.

Specifically we are analyzing the types and ranges of costs that FIPOA might incur under realistic storm/disaster scenarios, and how FIPOA should prepare to deal with those financial costs.

*Visit the FIPOA Website*

[www.frippislandliving.com](http://www.frippislandliving.com)



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groups/community-guide/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/clubcommunity-groups/community-guide/)*

## WE ARE FRIPP

### Outstanding Service Awards



Mike Senecal

*Chris Assaf*

Your FIPOA is committed to providing outstanding service to all of our property owners. Doing our jobs is expected. Taking all that we do to the highest level attainable is our goal. This is the only way we will regain our property owners' trust and work together to solve all of the challenges we face. Since June 1<sup>st</sup>, six individuals have been recognized.

Lieutenant Mike Senecal of Fripp Island Security arrived at a property owner's home in June to discuss a problem they had posted on NextDoor. He took it upon himself to follow up on an incident that had occurred last summer. He handled a difficult situation with grace and made sure our constituent was happy with the response.

Dennis Kautz stepped up over Memorial Day weekend to provide continual updates on the progress of Tropical Storm Bonnie. He gave our nonresident owners real time information about what was happening providing peace of mind when they needed it most. This has nothing to do with his job as bylaws Chair. He saw an opportunity to serve and stepped forward.

Ralph Burchfield received an e-mail from me at 3:39 PM on May 19 about a severe flooding incident in a property owner's front yard. Sixteen minutes later he was on site. Five minutes after that, Jim Yeager had arrived to provide the labor. Our job is to respond. Responding in sixteen minutes is the type of outstanding service we strive to provide.



Dennis Kautz



Ralph Burchfield

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## WE ARE FRIPP cont.

Jim Yeager was also nominated by a property owner. This nonresident owner had extreme flooding and drainage issues in his yard after the fall flooding. Jim stepped up and solved the problems with excellent communication to our constituent. Additionally, Jim routinely gets up at 3 AM to inspect and repair our drainage hot spots every time it rains. The service he provides FIPOA is priceless.

Sharon Lawton is a member of our Parking/Security committee and solved an issue that has been affecting property owners for years. The access at Whiting across from Bonito Road enjoys beach all day and is very popular. Parking was a nightmare. Sharon reached out to the property owners adjacent to the access and obtained their permission to increase our parking spaces by 300%!

Finally, Brad Bradley is passionate about our shoreline and totally focused on restoring our beach accesses. Recently, he faced sabotage and undermining by property owners who disagreed with his committee's approach. OCRM permits have been delayed as a result of their efforts.

Brad took the high road and reached out to their ringleader. He met with the individual and asked for his input and advice. Rather than continue the controversy, Brad endeavored to mend fences....an outstanding lesson for every member of our Board!

If you experience outstanding service from any member of our FIPOA team, please e-mail me at [chrisassaf@earthlink.net](mailto:chrisassaf@earthlink.net). Our goal is to go above and beyond for every member of our community!



Jim Yeager



Sharon Lawton



Brad Bradley

# ISLAND SERVICES

## CHIEF'S CORNER



*Mike Binkowski, Chief of Security*

We are well into our summer season, and I want to remind everyone of the golf cart rules on the beach. We have a beach cadet stationed at the Rock Beauty beach access during what we have determined to be the peak beach hours. His or her job is to ensure only golf carts that are properly marked as a handicapped vehicle go onto the beach, discharge their handicapped passenger with supplies somewhere between Beach Access 14 and Beach Access 16 ONLY, and then remove the golf cart to a proper parking space. If you see a cart outside of this area, please call Security. If a cart is taken onto the beach and does not return, the cadet will notify a patrol unit for assistance. The exception to this rule is if the handicapped person is the operator of the golf cart and they are alone. They are permitted to park their cart on the beach until they decide to leave.

Fripp Island Security has been spending a lot of time on the beach this past month monitoring the tidal pool and lagoons that are on the beach for alligator activity. Several small alligators have been captured and relocated to lagoons that are on the interior of the island. Security has not observed or captured any large alligators since the tidal pool was drained. If you are on the beach and do see an alligator in the tidal pool, or in one of the lagoons on the beach, or along one of the accesses, please call Security at 843-838-2334 ASAP and report the sighting.

*The goal of Fripp Island Security is to provide a safe environment for property owners and guests. This is only possible with your cooperation and participation. If you see something or hear something that is out of the ordinary call us at 843-838-2334 anytime day or night, we will respond and an officer will evaluate the situation and take the appropriate action. Don't let the sight of something out of the ordinary slip by. Don't say "it's not my problem." Security needs your eyes and ears out there; we encourage your calls! Remember, safety and security is everyone's responsibility "IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING."*

**Remember** if you are the victim or a witness of a crime in progress, have a medical or fire emergency— dial 911. The 911

Dispatcher will contact the proper response units, Sheriff's Deputies, Fire Department, or EMS, and then notify Fripp Island Security. To report a crime that has already occurred or request a service, please call Security at 843-838-2334.

## KNOW YOUR OFFICERS



**Officer Jason Howe**

This issue we would like to highlight Officer Jason Howe. Officer Howe has been with the FIPOA Security Department since April 2013 and is assigned as a the evening shift Gate Officer.

Prior to joining our team Officer Howe was a manager at the Sears in Hilton Head.

Officer Howe has lived in Beaufort all of his life.

In his time off he enjoys being with his family, watching movies and relaxing at home.

### Moving to Fripp Island?

[frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/moving-to-fripp/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/moving-to-fripp/)

Also, Fripp Island provides a Mentoring Program to provide support, encouragement and information to new owners and island residents.

Mentors are available to answer questions and introduce newcomers to Island activities.

[frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/mentor-program/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/owners-resources/owner-information/mentor-program/)

# ISLAND SERVICES CONT.

## FRIPP ISLAND PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT COMMISSION GENERAL ELECTION November 8, 2016

Angel L. Hughes, PSD Manager

The Fripp Island Public Service District, created on April 16, 1962 by Act No. 1042 of the South Carolina General Assembly, serves the residents and property owners of Fripp Island, South Carolina. Services include drinking water supply, wastewater collection and treatment, fire protection, erosion control, and maintenance of the Fripp Inlet Bridge.

The Fripp Island Public Service District Commission governs the District. With the successful passage of a referendum by the registered voters of Fripp Island on November 7, 2000, the Commission became an elected body. The first general election was held on November 6, 2001. The six-member commission establishes policies and procedures, approves the annual budget and adopts the necessary utility rates and tax levies to fund the District's operations.

On November 8, 2016, four seats on the Commission will be up for election. The election is non-partisan, and the four candidates receiving the most votes will serve four-year terms.

Individuals interested in serving on the Commission must be registered voters living on Fripp Island. Prospective candidates must file a Statement of Candidacy with the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Voter Registration. A filing fee is NOT required.

**The DEADLINE for Filing is NOON,  
Friday, August 15, 2016.**

You may obtain the necessary forms for filing from the District's office located at 291 Tarpon Boulevard or from the Beaufort County Board of Elections and Voter Registration located at 15 John Galt Road, Beaufort, SC.

Anyone having questions regarding candidacy or the election may call the District's office at 843-838-2400 and ask to speak with Angie Hughes or Kim Horning.

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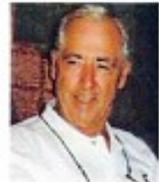


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# FOURTH OF JULY

## 2016 Fripp Island Fireworks Display

This year's Fireworks on Fripp Island were over-the-top. If you missed the show, please enjoy these photographs. The show is funded by the FIPOA and Fripp Island Resort. *(Photos by Fripp Island Resort.)*



FOURTH OF JULY CONT.



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# FOURTH OF JULY CONT.

“Fripp Gras” was the theme of the Golf Cart Parade



# ISLANDS CLUBS

## FIWC Cake Walk a Huge Success!

*Jan Manning & Laura MacArthur  
2016 Cake Walk Co-Chairs*

**T**hank you! Thank you! Thank you! We can't say thank you enough! The Fripp Island Women's Club raised over \$1,700 from the 2016 Fourth of July Cake Walk to do good for Fripp and the surrounding Beaufort community.



We couldn't have done it without all your great help.

You baked over 80 cakes, cookies, cupcakes, and brownies. You let us borrow your tents, wagons and sound systems. You sold tickets and cookbooks. You called people to make baked goods donations

and work. You worked in sweltering heat from as early as 6:30 AM to noon collecting and moving cakes, setting up tents, putting out numbers and decorations, working the cake walk circles, and cleaning up. You bought tickets, walked the circles, and won baked goods. So many helped to make the 2016 Fourth of July Cake Walk a happy and fun occasion.



Again— thank you, thank you, thank you! We Frippers do great things!



# LIFESTYLE

## Fripp Island Real Estate Update through April 30, 2016

Total number of active listings has remained the same during the past month.

On June 30, 2016, according to Beaufort County Multiple Listing Service, there were 307 properties for sale on Fripp Island, consisting of 47 condos, 128 homesites and 132 single-family homes.

The following figures from MLS compare year to date sales on Fripp Island from January 1st through May 31st each year.

Sales	2015	2016
Homesites	4	3
Condos	6	7
<u>Homes</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>32</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>42</b>

Average Sales Price	2015	2016
Homesites	\$278,500*	\$77,833
Condos	\$300,250	\$190,357
Homes	\$407,569	\$417,655

\*Includes an oceanfront homesite at \$850k

### Currently Under Contract

Homesites	4
Condos	1
Homes	7

For more information please contact  
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 email: [charlesp@frippislandrealestate.com](mailto:charlesp@frippislandrealestate.com)

## PROOF OF THE PUDDING 2015 LEADERSHIP AWARD

### Employee of the Year: Scott Barham-Morgan



*"It's not possible to put Scott in one award category. He's our biggest team player, our MVP, an outstanding chef, a fantastic operations manager, and is always going to show up and get the job done to the best of his ability. He is so dedicated to Proof of the Pudding and Fripp Island Resort. I honestly don't know what we would do without him! He is the Overall Employee of the Year!!!"*

Please join us in congratulating Scott on a well-deserved award!  
 Proof of the Pudding is so proud of Scott and all of his hard work at Fripp Island Resort.

# ISLAND SPORTS



## Nine Hole Men's Golf Group

*Mike Wilt*

The past two months have featured nine Wednesday morning outings for the group, and none of them were adversely affected by weather.

Games included bear creek, two low net, reverse bear creek, one low gross/one low net, and team stableford. Multiple weekly winners included Mike Wilt three times and Joe Sullivan, Tom Hunter, Jim McElwain, Rusty Prophater, Ed Smith, Frank Golden, Charlie Middleton and Steve St. John— two times each. Other weekly winners were Ron Pointek, John Dunphy, Johnny Jones, Jim Parks, Jim Fraser, Duffy Howard, Rick Stein, Gerry Weithman, Mike Jahn, Bob Kurjian, Jim Quarforth and Carlos Espana.

Closest to the pin winners were Howard Harmon— twice, and, Dan Bialas, Steve St. John, Jim Click, Mark Gelslechter, Charlie Middleton, Joe Sullivan and Mike Jahn.

One highlight of the month was a hole-in-one by Steve Schnobrich on hole number eight at Ocean Creek on May 18. Congratulations to Steve.

In July the group will play at Ocean Creek and in August at Ocean Point. The current start time for the group is 8:30 am.

There are currently approximately 65 active members in the group. The Foretees website is now being used for the Men's Nine Hole group. To sign up to play every Wednesday morning, go to the website at [web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/](http://web.foretees.com/frippislandresort/).

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## ISLAND SPORTS CONT.

### HOLE-IN-ONE

Megan Herrnstein, age 12, had a hole in one June 1<sup>st</sup> while playing with Assistant Pro Nolan Dorner at the 104-yard, 12<sup>th</sup> hole at the Ocean Creek course. Megan is the granddaughter of Bill & Linda Herrnstein, 460 Tarpon Boulevard.



## BOATING & FISHING

### FRIPP TOURNAMENT GOES ON DESPITE BONNIE

*Captain Ralph Goodison*

**T**ropical Storm Bonnie slowed the Fripp Island Memorial Fishing Tournament, but did not halt it. Participants were able to get one day of tournament fishing in instead of the scheduled two. All boats had good catches. The Augusta Georgia boats won the tournament.

Captain Barry Layman on *Kobayashi Maru* won the tournament with a 24.4 lb Dolphin. (pictured at right)

2<sup>nd</sup> place; Captain David Tilton on *Full Tilt* with a 20.6 lb Dolphin, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place; Captain George Tangelos on *Miss Lea* with a 18 lb Dolphin.

Captain Martin Manning from Augusta won the largest Wahoo at 31 lbs on his boat *Sweet Deal*.

Lewis Turner, Marina Director, thanked the Sponsors: Butler Marine, the Michael Eckard Family, and the Fripp Resort. The tournament raised \$3,800 for **Fripp For a Cure**. The next Tournament will be the Labor Day King Fish Tournament.

At right: Captain Barry Layman, his daughter Christina, and her son Copper win the Memorial Day Fishing Tournament on his boat *Kobayashi Maru*



# BOATING & FISHING CONT.

## More Fripp Fishing Photos



Captain Martin Manning, Peirce Bloch, and John Martin (l to r) win the largest Wahoo on Martin's boat *Sweet Deal*, at the Memorial Day Fishing Tournament.

### FISHING REPORT

#### SUMMER FISHING SLOW BUT IMPROVING

Fishing is more about having a great day on the water with the hope of catching something. We want both, but sometimes it's fishing and not catching anything.

**INSHORE:** Whiting- Good; Flounder & Trout- Slow;  
Redfish- Improving.

**NEAR SHORE:** Capers Island- Catching Redfish on the surf  
Savannah Wreck, Tire Reef- Blackbass, Spanish, small Blue Fish.

**OFFSHORE:** *Bottom fishing;* Blackbass, Trigger Amberjack, Kingfish.

*Stream;* A few Dolphin left, Kingfish, Wahoo.



Captain Bob DiBenedetto and his wife Christina had a great day off Fripp Island with their son David who shows off fish he caught. Dr. Bob lives in Greenwood SC, and enjoys his 2nd home on Fripp. David below with sailfish.



## BOATING & FISHING CONT.



### SPLASH!!! FRIPP FOR A CURE

Congratulations to Lewis Turner, Bob Jordan, and Carlene Rogan-Jordan on a fantastic Memorial Day Fishing Tournament; the FIRST TIME raising funds to support **Fripp For A Cure**. It was exciting to see the fish weigh-in and watch the kids eyes get bigger and bigger. Tropical Storm Bonnie couldn't stop the excitement even though the second day of fishing had to be canceled. Music was provided by Gavian Entertainment. Wonderful to see.

This endeavor raised \$3,806 for **FRIPP FOR A CURE** which benefits the Keyserling Cancer Center. Jim and I want to thank everyone who participated in this event. There are so many who gave their time to sell T-Shirts, put up posters, cook and serve food, and cheer on the fishermen, and sell raffle tickets for Fripp rental properties. Great Job and lots of fun.

The generosity of Fripp Islanders and their enthusiasm is truly amazing.

**SAVE THE DATE!** "The Fall Fishing Tournament" will be Labor Day weekend, and this event will also support **FRIPP FOR A CURE**. There will be Food, Music, Raffle tickets, T-Shirts and **MORE!!!!**

100% of the proceeds from these events will go to local patient care and clinical research trials at Keyserling Cancer Center. Our **golf tournament is October 11<sup>th</sup>** and the **GALA is Friday October 14<sup>th</sup>**. These events all support the fight against cancer. As with any volunteer effort, it takes scores of cheerful givers to be successful. Financial sponsorship is critical. If you would be willing to make a financial donation please contact Jim and Karen Wolbrink, Co-Chairs. Make and send checks payable to: "Fripp for a Cure," 299 Whitetail Court, Fripp Island or call 843-838-4170: [karenwolbrink@gmail.com](mailto:karenwolbrink@gmail.com) or [jimwolbrink33@gmail.com](mailto:jimwolbrink33@gmail.com).

Working together, our little island will continue to do amazing things.

# BOATING & FISHING CONT.

FRIPP ISLAND



YACHT CLUB

*Michael Beach*

*April 16 to June 30, 2016*

## Recent Events

**Blessing of the Fleet and Dataw Fish Fry – April 21.** Each year boats in the Yacht Club fleet are blessed at the Fripp Island Marina and then cruise to Dataw for a low country fish fry served up again this year by Harold's Catering. Here are some pictures taken by Lillian Sullivan at the Dataw Gazebo.



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The Community Involvement Committee has been working diligently to get all Fripp groups to add their open events onto our Island-wide calendar.

[frippislandliving.com/owners/meetingscalendar/](http://frippislandliving.com/owners/meetingscalendar/)

This should be your one-stop place to go to see what's happening when on the island.

# BOATING & FISHING CONT.

## Fripp Island Yacht Club (cont.)

**Golf Tournament and Evening Party – May 5.** This year, instead of lunch following the annual Golf Tournament, we had a festive Evening Party that attracted golfing and non-golfing Yacht Club members alike. Feedback indicates this was a winning strategy. The tournament was held in the morning on the Ocean Creek course and the Evening Party was at the Creek House. Music was provided by the Irene Goodnight band from Beaufort with vocals and guitar by singer-songwriter Irene Goodnight and Bob Guinn on steel drum. The event was planned and organized by Dan Bialas.



More pictures on the web: [www.frippislandyachtclub.com](http://www.frippislandyachtclub.com)

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# BOATING & FISHING CONT.

## Fripp Island Yacht Club (cont.)

**Beaufort Lunch – June 23.** The weather cooperated and winds remained moderate, allowing the fleet to cruise from Fripp to Beaufort via the Story River past Parris Island and then back the other direction around Egg Bank and under the Harbor River Bridge then past Amen Corner. Saltus opened at lunch time for Yacht Club members only and served a great buffet. Rave reviews again this year.



### Upcoming FIYC Events

**Morgan River Sand Bar Extravaganza – Saturday July 30.**      **Bull Point Boat-Nic – Wednesday September 14.**

2016 Full Schedule of Events is now available on our web site.

The Fripp Island Yacht Club is open to Fripp Island residents and long term renters who have an interest in boating and appreciate a social organization that includes both fun boating events and shore events throughout the year.

See details, membership application, 2016 schedule, and photos from past events on our web site at [www.frippislandyachtclub.com](http://www.frippislandyachtclub.com)

For FIYC questions, contact Michael Beach at [admin@frippislandyachtclub.com](mailto:admin@frippislandyachtclub.com) or 843-838-5629.

# SEA RESCUE



## Update for

April 16 to June 15, 2016

*Michael Beach*

### Case Activity

There were three Rescue Mission calls during this period:

**Friday 4/29/16 3:09 PM:** Boater called Dave Tindall at Rescue Base to advise that his boat was dead in the water in the Atlantic Ocean off Fripp Inlet. There were four on board, no injuries or illness. By 3:30 PM John Dunphy and Stewart DeWitt were off in Rescue 1 to assist. Boat and passengers were towed back to Fripp Marina and rescue was concluded by 5 PM.

**Sunday 5/22/16 6:24 PM:** Harbor River Bridge Tender called Dave Tindall at Rescue Base to report two small boats adrift south of the HR Bridge. Occupants were trying to paddle toward Butch's Landing. At 18:50 Cooper, Spann, Beach and McKay dispatched on Rescue 1 and Rescue 2. On arrival at creek entrance no boats were observed. The Bridge Tender was contacted and advised that a commercial crabber had towed the boats toward Butch's Landing. Checked both Landing and Gay's dock but found no unidentified boats or trailers. They must have loaded up and departed the landing.

**Wednesday 6/22/16 8:55 PM:** Dave Tindall at Rescue Base received a call from Beaufort Water Search and Rescue that 911 had received a report of person or persons stranded on the sand bar at Hunting Island as tide was coming in. BWS&R was sending boats and requested we assist. Rescue 2 with Dick Work and Bob Bicknell dispatched at 21:01. Hunting Island Ranger was contacted and indicated visual check from JC Bridge and tip of Hunting Island found no one on the sand bar. 911 Dispatch called and reported that initial call was from the Harbor Island gate (Courtney Rains) who received the information from someone leaving the island. Report was that five persons were on the sand bar. Lady's Island Fire Dept. on scene at 21:36. At 22:15, Rescue 2 was in Johnson Creek between Hunting and Harbor islands; no one was observed on the sand bars. Search continued with BWS&R, CG Helo and Fripp Island Sea Rescue until 22:50. Rescue 2 was back at the dock by 00:30. Apparently the persons on the sand bar were able to return safely to shore. Follow up the next day indicated no missing persons at Hunting or Harbor Island.

### Training with Coast Guard Helicopter

Training with the US Coast Guard helicopter crew continues on a monthly basis. In July, there will be two sessions, July 5 and July 21, then also August 9 and September 13. Training takes place in the Fripp Inlet at dusk involving one or more of the Sea Rescue boats. Any boaters in the Fripp Inlet at that time must take care to stay well clear of the Sea Rescue boats and helicopter to avoid disrupting the training or endangering boats, helicopter or divers in the water.

There are more pictures and information about FISR on our web site [www.fisarescue.org](http://www.fisarescue.org).



**TO REPORT A MARINE EMERGENCY,**

**call Beaufort County Dispatch at 911 or Fripp Island Security at 843-838-2334**

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