BOW WATCH BEAUFORT YACHT & SAILING CLUB





Dear Members-

I hope you all have had a good start into 2023! Thanks to all of you who showed up to participate in the annual chili cook off. Congratulations to the winners of the cornbread (Jean Story) and chili (Brent Fleming) contest. The s'mores contest was won by all. The Club final Fridays are themed to bring everyone together at least once a month. Please note our sunset Friday night gathering has changed time to 5:30pm. Sunset Friday is our weekly social, members are asked to bring appetizers, and watch the sunset. February 24 is our first BYSC photo contest, more information will be in the "What's happening". Be mindful of cleaning up before you are departing for the evening. If you would like to participate in bartending, please look for volunteer opportunities on the website.

The Knotley Crew will meet Tuesday night 7-Feb at 5:30pm in the clubhouse to plan the Spring calendar. This committee was previously known as "pool committee". Their goal is to engage members in family friendly activities to include pool, holidays, and other opportunities throughout the year. This is a great opportunity to get involved in club event production for 2023. If you are interested in learning more, please consider coming and sitting in at the meeting. All are welcome.

If you or your child have ever had an interest in boatbuilding, BCSB will be hosting a class February 25 & 26th. Please put this on your calendar. Click here for more details.

Summer Camp registration for membership opens on 20-Feb. Non-Membership registration will open on 1-March. Please note that your membership must be paid to register. The last day to pay for membership dues is 28-Feb.

Regards, Jason Ruhf

From the bulletin board





Do you have experience writing grants?
Please email Kelly bysc.events@gmail.com

February Board Meeting
Moved
02.16.2023
6:00pm

Spring Series will start
Saturday
March 25, 2023
More information soon





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From the Crow's Nest











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SAVE THE DATE:
FRIDAY NIGHT PRACTICE:
FEBRUARY 3RD, 17TH, 24TH
MARCH 3RD, 17TH, 24TH
WATCH, LEARN & PLAY
BYSC BOCCE TOURNAMENT
MARCH 3.26.2023
3-6PM





FROM THE ARCHIVES



THE COTTAGE



Contributed by Jean Story

You may be aware that plans are underway to restore the cottage that sits adjacent to and just to the north of the clubhouse boat storage racks. Once repairs are complete, the cottage will be a useful addition to our club. The following is a brief history of how it came to be a part of the club.

The land currently owned by the BYSC was originally part of a much larger 570acre tract of land owned by the Burckmyer family and called Palmetto Farm. According to documents recorded with the Beaufort County Register of Deeds, Virginia Burckmyer conveyed 51 acres of this tract to Malcolm Stewart in 1934, which included the land on which the cottage and the clubhouse currently situate. This 51-acre tract was bordered to the west by the Beaufort River and the east by Kane Island Road (now Meridian Road). The Stewart family further subdivided the tract by conveying 10 acres to Evelyn Shand for \$6,300 in 1946, and the adjacent parcel (also roughly 10 acres) to Irving E. Kinghorn the same year. In 1950, Evelyn Shand sold her 10 acres to Carleton C. Champion Jr. for \$10K. It is not clear exactly what year the cottage structure was built, but it does appear in tax records in 1940, so Shand presumably sold both the land and the cottage to the Champions in 1950. Carleton Champion Jr. was a Naval Aviator who distinguished himself by establishing two world records for altitude, one for land planes and another for sea planes, both in 1927. This despite the fact that the engine caught fire several times and Champion had to sideslip and dive his plane to extinguish the flames. He had earlier won first place in the speed and efficiency races for both transport and commercial planes at the national air races in 1926, and was a member of the Schneider Cup racing team.

In 1967, the former Irving Kinghorn house and land were sold to the original club members for use by the BYSC. Four years later, in 1971, Carleton Champion died, leaving the adjacent cottage and 10-acre parcel to his wife and son. Interesting but perhaps not surprising, Champion stipulated in his will that the Beaufort Yacht and Sailing Club would have the right of first refusal to purchase the cottage and land from his heirs. The spirit of competitive racing which distinguished his BYSC neighbors must surely have appealed to this highly decorated Naval Aviator.

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CARLETON C. CHAMPION JR.

The Champion house, as the cottage was referred to at the time of acquisition by the club in 1977, was first occupied by the BYSC Tennis Pro/Instructor John Stewart. Stewart was tasked with providing security to the club facilities, mowing the grasses and keeping the club area clean, and in return he paid a minimal monthly rent. Stewart painted the house, replaced the water pump and made minor plumbing repairs during his tenancy.

Other occupants have included General Managers John Barber and Beau Von Harten, and sailor/member Simon Jenkins. During this period, the club updated the cottage by adding on the back north corner section (allowing for the installation of a washer and dryer) as well as adding back steps and a concrete slab for a hot tub. The cottage was vacated by Jenkins in 2021, and repairs commenced shortly thereafter. We look forward to completing the restoration of the former Champion home and the addition of the cottage space for club activities!

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