



Plantation Living

A NEWSLETTER FOR THE RESIDENTS OF HILTON HEAD PLANTATION

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Calling All Shutterbugs!

This year, the HHPPOA is excited to design a brand-new set of notecards to support the Hilton Head Plantation Conservancy Foundation (HHPCF). The HHPCF was established in November 2002 as a non-profit corporation that aims to operate and maintain the Whooping Crane Pond and Cypress Conservancies in Hilton Head Plantation. The Foundation’s goal is to enhance the habitats of plants and animals in the Conservancies and provide educational opportunities for visitors.

We are asking photographers that reside in our HHP to submit photos that embody the beauty and spirit of our community. These photos can be of wildlife, landscapes, or events. Twelve photos will be selected and memorialized on a set of cards that will be sold in the POA and at community events. All funds go to support the HHPCF.

Photo Contest Details:

- **Eligibility:** Open to professional and amateur photographers who are 18 years of age or older as of the date of entry. Photographer must reside in HHP.
- **Original Work:** All photos must be original work, taken by the entrants. No third party may own or control any materials the photo contains, and the photo must not infringe upon the trademark, copyright, moral rights, intellectual rights, or rights of privacy of any entity or person.
- **Camera:** You can use any type of camera (digital and analogue) or mobile phone to create your photos.
- **Photo Requirements:** The minimum photo requirement is JPG, 3000px wide on the longest side (this will be asked only if your photo will be among winners). Both color and black and white photos will be accepted.
- **Submission:** Entries will not be accepted unless submitted via the official contest channel.
- **Selection:** Final photos will be selected by the Communications Committee. All decisions are final. The Committee reserves the right to disqualify any entry that is deemed inappropriate or does not conform to stated contest rules.
- **Usage:** By entering the contest, entrants agree that photos submitted can be used by the HHPPOA for advertising purposes.
- **Deadline:** Submissions will not be accepted once the deadline lapses.
- **Notification:** Photographers of selected photos will be contacted via the email address provided during entry.
- **Credit:** Selected photos will receive a photo credit on the back of the notecard.

How to Submit:

Photos are to be emailed to Pippi Itkor at pitkor@hhppoa.org. Photos should be attached as full-size files. Photographers may submit up to 5 photos. Include your name, phone number, and any details you would like to share about the photo. All submissions must be received by **September 15, 2024**. Selected photographers will be announced in the October Newsletter and new notecard sets will be available in time for the Holidays!

Join us in capturing the essence of Hilton Head Plantation and support a great cause! Get snapping and share your best shots with us. Good luck!

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From the *President's Desk*

In this beautiful vista called Hilton Head Plantation are close to 10,000 residents who have multiple interests across wide-ranging and esoteric disciplines. A brief look at the pages of the Plantation Living newsletter will list approximately fifty-plus clubs and organizations created by residents. These residents have a keen interest in learning more about a topic or they have a deep knowledge to share about the central focus of that club or organization.

This past month it was a pleasure to spend time with the HHP Crafters Club. What an enjoyable learning journey! In addition to learning a novel word (decoupage), I also committed to buying one of the superbly crafted creations of a Crafters Club member. I urge any reader to solicit an opportunity to live and learn right here in this little piece of nirvana by visiting one of these clubs.

Noted previously, the Board launched the regularly scheduled Strategic Plan Committee led by Board Vice President Margie Lechowicz to partner with standing Committee Chairs and members to execute a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) analysis. Ms. Lechowicz and the Committee Chairs are off to a robust start with a keen eye toward how the POA might best prepare for possible external changes and systemic evolutions and, in response, best prepare to maintain or enhance the historic long-term performance and attractiveness of the Hilton Head Plantation quality of life.

Vice President Lechowicz has shared the following update (below) for conveyance in this monthly President's Message and, in the end, consistent with the Board's Elevating Visibility Program, provides the reader with ways to share their ideas.

"The current plan consists of eight Goals and Objectives. The first is linked to HHP Administration, and each of the other seven is aligned with one of HHP's Standing Committees: Architectural Review Board, Communications, Covenants, Finance, Maintenance, Recreation, and Security & Safety.

Each committee and the staff are reviewing and updating the SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) as well as the strategies, measurable factors, and current status associated with each of the Goals/Objectives. This process will be completed by October 31st, and the recommendations will be submitted to the Board for consideration. The board's final approval for the 2025-2030 plan is slated to occur at its January 2025 meeting.

A copy of the current Plan is available on the HHP website under "Community Info: Documents/Forms/Minutes." Residents should feel free to review it and submit any comments to board@hhppoa.org.

In upcoming President's Messages, other Committee Chairs, including the Ad Hoc Technology Committee, will share updates on the progress made by their Committees in partnership with the excellent POA Staff!

Finally, to re-affirm our commitment to transparency, below are current ways to stay informed about information and decisions affecting OUR community:

- Read Planation Living.
- Attend Coffees with Peter to speak with board members in attendance.
- Engage with Board Members who will be attending various gatherings of our HHP POA clubs, organizations, and community social events.
- Enroll for e-mail blasts.
- Communicate with the Board:

By Phone 843-681-8800 ext. 9

Email Board@hhppoa.org

Letter to the POA Service Center

Visit the website www.hiltonheadplantation.com for board meetings minutes, available forms, and documents.

Thank You for choosing this community as your residential choice!

Warmly to all,

Carlton Dallas



A letter from our General Manager

Coffee with Peter

Our next Coffee is scheduled for Thursday, September 28, at 10:00 a.m. at the Plantation House. Mayor Alan Perry and Town Manager Mark Orlando will be our special guests.

Newcomers Meeting

We have scheduled a Newcomers meeting on Tuesday, October 8, at 7:00 p.m. at the Plantation House. At this meeting, you will meet all the Department Heads and get a more in-depth briefing on all HHP offers. It is a fun time, with a multitude of door prizes and time for lots of questions.

July 4th - Better Known as Hilton Head Plantation Day

It was hot, but that did not discourage the crowd of folks who descended on the grounds of the Plantation House, eager to participate in all the fun that Chrissy and Jen had arranged for your thorough enjoyment.

Once again, I was perched atop the Dunk Tank, which was by far the coolest spot in the lineup! I lost count after two dozen trips into the drink! Unlike last year, no one nailed me three for three.

WINNERS – Watermelon Eating Contest

Round One Winners

- 1st – JP Schmid
- 2nd – Alissa Bell
- 3rd – Ethan Bell

Round Two Winners

- 1st – Joey Bailey
- 2nd – Dominic Mazzochi
- 3rd – Cayden Arsenault

WINNERS – Pie Eating Contest

Division: Kids 11 & Under

- 1st – Olivia Dunn
- 2nd – Bridget Kostrzewski
- 3rd – Jacob Vesey

Division: Kids 12+ & Adult

- 1st – Zach Kloss
- 2nd – Keith Kostrzewski
- 3rd – Peter McDermott

Patriotic Parade Winners 2024

Most Patriotic Child

- 1st – Gia Schmid
- 2nd – Grace Kennedy
- 3rd – JP Schmid
- HM – The Knight Family

Most Patriotic Duo / Family

- 1st – The Lovelace Family
- 2nd – Noah Sigler
- 3rd – Holden Fraum
- HM – The Back Family

Most Patriotic Pet

- 1st – Ozzy Tomaszewski
- 2nd – Lexi White
- 3rd – Seibert Family Pet
- HM – The Back Family Pet

Most Patriotic Bike

- 1st – Joshua Taylor
- 2nd – Sophie Forestiere
- 3rd – Zane Bailey
- HM – JP Schmid

Most Patriotic Stroller

- 1st – Brewster Bland
- 2nd – Kostrzewski Family
- 3rd – Hamilton Bland

Most Patriotic Wagon

- 1st – Annabelle Potter
- 2nd – The Larkin Family
- 3rd – The Allf Family

HM – The Knapke Family

HM – Everly & Colt Hinson

Most Original Idea

- 1st – Bill Leahy
- 2nd – Joshua Taylor
- 3rd – Gia Schmid

Be sure and check out page 26 for all the fun Celebration Day photos captured by our HHP Paparazzi.

Paving Projects

Thank you for your patience while the paving of Skull Creek Drive and Dolphin Head Drive is in progress. Once this project is complete, we will move to repairing several smaller patches of road.

Projects

The Cypress Fence has been painted. Up next, the security gates will be getting a paint facelift. Once that painting project is completed, several areas of the Plantation House will get a fresh coat. The AC for the meeting space at the Dolphin Head Pavilion failed. The unit is under warranty and is being repaired by the subcontractor.

Security and Office Staff

We have been blessed with very few incidents of crime. Among the members of our security team, led by Major Warren Gaither and assisted by Deputy Director Vanessa Green, it is considered a tad of a jinx to talk about a run of a low crime.

I am sure you know that our security officers and other staff handle various tasks and responsibilities. I read every written security report, and 99.9 % of our officers' interactions with you, your guests, and vendors are positive and celebrated. However, anyone who has been associated with a business or service that deals directly with the public knows that you do encounter that .01 % that, for whatever reason, feels aggrieved or disrespected and, at times, launches into an unfortunate diatribe of expletives directed at a gate or patrol officer or other staff members. Not one of my staff members is perfect, and that includes yours truly, but dressing down an officer or any staff member because they are doing their job is uncalled for and contrary to the Board's adopted Rules of Conduct for Common Properties. That is not to say staff never makes a mistake. Like all of us, they (we) are human, and we all come into this world with imperfections. Suppose you encounter a situation where you feel you have been treated inappropriately by one of our staff. In that case, that situation must be reported to me so I can investigate and, as needed, make appropriate corrections and apply corrective action where warranted. On the flip side, when a staff member has been treated inappropriately, I will defend their position and recommend appropriate sanctions.

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Our security gates have surveillance systems, and so does the reception area of the POA Service Center. Our patrol officers wear body cameras. We use these tools when we receive the occasional complaint that one of our officers or office staff failed in some way to help find a successful resolution to an issue.

The Security Committee, working with the Security Department, will be recommending a much higher-level security camera system for installation later this year or early in 2025. This new system will be able to make facial, clothing, vehicle make, tag numbers, and other recognitions by simply instructing the program to search the previously recorded video for such matches.

When the alleged hit-and-run incident occurred earlier this year in the proximity of the Gumtree/Squire Pope interchange, law enforcement asked our Security Department to review our video to help ID the Car that may have been involved in that incident. Major Gaither spent over thirteen hours reviewing the video from our system and was able to ID the vehicle. This new system could have IDed that vehicle with make, time, and tag number in a matter of minutes.

Website

If you have not done so already, please visit the POA's website, www.hiltonheadplantation.com. If you have not done so already, please consider signing up for our email alert services, which include Safety Alerts, Important Information, a digital version of our newsletter, and recreational activity updates. Signing up takes less than a minute and can be found under the NEWSLETTER tab on the home screen.

Hurricane Kits

If you have not already done so, please review the POA's Hurricane Preparedness Guide, which can be found on the POA's website, hiltonheadplantation.com. There is currently a large blue banner at the top of the home page that will take you right to the downloadable PDF. If you prefer, you can pick up a hard copy at the POA Service Center on Surrey Lane. Please review this important material, which has been updated due to our experience with Hurricane Matthew. You should have already prepared a Hurricane Evacuation Kit for yourself and your family. Your kit should be kept in a place easily accessible and updated periodically. If you have not prepared a Hurricane Evacuation Kit, please review the section in the Hurricane Preparedness Guide on what items should be part of your kit. Remember, the time to prepare for a possible Hurricane Strike and possible evacuation is before a threat is imminent.

Special Program

Every year for the past fourteen years, the HHP Fishing Club has, very quietly and without fanfare or expectation of recognition, hosted the constituents from Camp Leo, which is a camp for the visually impaired. On Tuesday, July 16, this unique learning experience was once again hosted by this dedicated group of anglers. Volunteers with the HHP Fishing Club taught these young people to fish, most never having the experience before this opportunity. This year's program included eight (8) international participants representing eight (8) different countries.

Water Conservation

If you have an in-ground irrigation system, please give the sprinkler heads a periodic tune-up. Over time, these heads get out of adjustment and oftentimes put more water on your driveway and the street than they place on your turf and plant material.

Quick Reminders

Do not feed or harass the alligators. Please mind the signs at the traffic circle and signal your turns. Lastly, if you are fishing, please remember it is your responsibility to clean up your area when you leave. We ask that you practice catch-and-release at all of the POA's freshwater lagoons.

Landscape Debris

HHP Security and the HHP Maintenance Department have encountered an increase in illegal dumping on POA Common Property and POA road rights of ways. The POA does not provide curbside pickup of landscape debris. It is the responsibility of every property owner to dispose of their landscape debris responsibly and legally. HHPPOA property owners can bring their landscape debris to the POA Dump site next to the Seabrook Farm or the County Transfer Station on Dillon Road free of charge. Residents dumping landscape debris on common property, including road right of ways, are subject to fines and other sanctions. Landscape Debris up to four inches in diameter is accepted at the HHPPOA site, while larger diameter items will need to be brought to the County Transfer Station. HHPPOA landscape debris is processed into mulch and used throughout Hilton Head Plantation as a ground cover and/or soil amendment. We deliver mulch free of charge to HHPPOA property owners. All you need to do is call the POA Service Center at 843-681-8800, press "0" for the receptionist, and they will take your order. Mulch is usually delivered on Thursdays every week, weather permitting.

**Stay Safe,
Peter Kristian**

“Harry G, Heron” Master Covenants Bird

This month's focus is **Leisure Path Courtesy, Picking up after your Pet, Mr. Gator, and Harry's Hurrah of the Month.**



Leisure Path Courtesy

We are in the thick of the dog days of summer. Soon, the warmer weather will slowly fade into a much more welcoming and cooler break. But, for now, we can still take advantage of the longer days of natural daylight. So here is a tip for courtesy on our leisure paths. All my fellow herons keep a watchful eye on

HHP's ten miles of leisure paths and provide me with their observations and intel regularly. Most of these reports are encouraging, with folks exercising courtesy to their fellow leisure path travelers. However, there are a few behavioral issues that nag at me, which I feel obligated to “crow” about. One of the best pieces of sagacious advice I can give to pedestrians and bicyclists is “Be aware.” A lot of runners and walkers on a multi-use path wear headphones. This practice, however popular, makes the user unaware of their surroundings. Human pedestrians need to be vigilant and keep to the right, which would be very helpful to cyclists. Cyclists need to be responsible for their speed, only pass when safe, and slow down. Cyclists, remember that no e-bikes with the motor engaged are permitted on our leisure paths. The POA encourages bicyclists to have a bell on their bicycles to warn others of their presence. It also helps to warn others beforehand to allow someone enough time to react. A simple caterwaul of “PASSING ON THE LEFT” would suffice. Most people tend to turn around immediately and step into the flock of oncoming birds (I mean a cyclist's path) when being warned from behind. Such noise may frighten some people, but it's better than passing them without warning. It is safer as well. The first rule must always be that people riding bikes must be careful around pedestrians.

Pet Etiquette

It is the responsibility of all residents who have pets to pick up after their pets and dispose of the waste in an appropriate trash receptacle, most likely your own household trash. The POA Office has received alerts that pet owners are bagging their pets' waste but leaving it on the ground bagged or hanging from a bush or low-hanging tree limb. One of the most recent reports cited the leisure path between Savannah Trail and Crooked Pond Drive. Please take the next step and dispose of the waste as noted above.

A few communities that have experienced this issue in a more intense manner have resorted to having all the pets in their community registered with the POA and a sample of the pet's feces sent to a company that catalogs the sample for DNA. If pet waste is disposed of in a manner not in keeping with the community's governing documents, an email is sent to the outsourcing contractor to see if a match can be affected, and if so, the offending pet owner is held accountable. The POA has no desire to use this tactic but I thought the lengths some communities have gone to address this situation was worth

sharing.

Mr. Gator

Being safe around alligators is straightforward. Concerns about having negative encounters with alligators can largely be resolved with common sense and an understanding of alligator behavior. When the temperature begins to heat up, alligators tend to come closer to the surface to warm up right next to the bank of the lagoons. As much as I love my cousins, the cranes along the lagoon banks trying their best to beak harpoon a small fish for dinner, I never forget to keep my bird eye open for my alligator friends. I pray every day that I will not become bird prey. Keep in mind that wildlife abounds on Hilton Head Plantation. Certain wildlife species are potentially dangerous, including alligators, bobcats, all manner of spiders, and some snakes. If Mr. Gator is in your pool or moves toward your fishing spot, I believe your best bet is to relocate for your safety. My bird buddies and I understand the rules, and we do not give it a second thought, deferring to Mr. Gator for a fish. Discretion is the better part of Valor! Never feed an alligator; this includes throwing your fish scraps back in the water. Feeding or harassing alligators or other wildlife that inhabit the community is strictly prohibited and violates South Carolina State and Federal laws protecting them.

Fear keeps us from entering dangerous situations. It's all about self-preservation. Mr. Gator should always be given a wide berth. If you feel an alligator is demonstrating aggressive behavior towards a human, please call my friends at the Security Department and ask them to check on this gator.

Harry's Hurrah of the Month

Kids Camp has wrapped up for the summer and can boast a banner year for attendance. Many things contribute to the success of this program, including the planning by the Activities Department personnel, the dedication of the Kamp counselors, and the special programs that add value. Did you know the Fishing Club has provided an instructional fishing program for the Kampers for over twenty years? The Bocce Club taught Kampers the game of bocce and our tennis professionals added a program for tennis as a special after-Kamp program. These value-added activities allow members of our community to pass along their skills to the next generation and demonstrate the care these folks have for the younger members of our community. Another largely unrecognized community outreach is the Hilton Head Plantation Fishing Club's annual event hosting the campers for Camp Leo, a summer camp for the visually impaired. Every year for well over fifteen years, the Fishing Club has given these kids the experience of fishing and the excitement of catching a fish. These are the types of humans I have the honor of sharing my nest with in HHP.

Advertisements in the Plantation Newsletter should not be viewed as an endorsement from the Hilton Head Plantation Property Owner's Association, Inc. The Association claims no liability for the content of any ads. Ads are accepted on a space available basis.

2024 Spring Lake Pool Rules

Swimmers assume responsibility for their own safety and that of their families. Lifeguards will not be on duty during all hours that the pool is open. The pool is equipped with a self-locking gate, an emergency telephone, and a first aid kit at the Guard Office. Report problems to Security – 843-681-2459. Also, DHEC will inspect for fecal contamination and other violations. If DHEC finds any contamination, they will close the pool immediately. Please be courteous and if you have a child that is NOT potty-trained, he/she MUST wear a secure-fitting, waterproof swim diaper at all times. For questions, please contact the Director of Activities at 843-681-8800, ext. 226. Thank you for your cooperation.

Spring Lake Pool Regulations

1. HHP Property Owners, their family members, guests, and tenants with leases of at least nine months may use SL Pool.
2. Spring Lake Pool users must present their validated HHP Photo ID Card to the pool staff when using the facility.
3. Property Owners, residents, and children 17 years and older, with validated HHP Photo ID Cards, may bring four (4) guests to the pool. Children 16 years old, with a validated HHP Photo ID Card, may enter the Spring Lake Pool; however, they are prohibited from bringing guests.
4. Guests, 17 years or older, with a validated House Guest Card may bring two (2) guests.
5. Spring Lake Pool users and their guests must adhere to a proper code of conduct and follow instructions from the lifeguards and pool attendants

Appropriate conduct and rules include, but are not limited to, the following:

6. Lifeguard approval of all flotation devices. (Flotation devices must be Coast Guard approved.)
7. Using earphones with audio equipment.
8. Placing trash in receptacles.
9. Smoking is not permitted within the Spring Lake Pool compound at any time. (This includes e-cigarettes.)
10. Wearing swim-wear at all times.
11. Showering prior to entering the pool.
12. Children age 15 years or younger MUST be accompanied by a parent or guardian (17 or older).
13. It is the parent's/guardian's responsibility to ensure that children not potty-trained must wear secure-fitting, waterproof swim diapers at all times. NOTE: Anyone found responsible for a fecal contamination at the Spring Lake Pool will be held accountable for the cost of treatment and be subject to additional sanctions. If the person responsible is not a property owner, the cost of treatment and other sanctions will be levied against the host Property Owner/resident.
14. The following is prohibited in the Spring Lake Pool enclosure:
 - No solo swimming.
 - No animals or pets of any kind.
 - No glass containers.
 - No spitting, blowing nose, or individuals with skin, eye, ear, or respiratory infections, diarrhea illness, or nausea.
 - No diaper changing on deck.
 - No bikes, skateboards, skates, or Rollerblades.
 - No diving.

- No one with communicable diseases.
 - No one with open lesions or wounds.
 - No running, boisterous, rough play.
 - No alcohol or drugs and no one under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
 - No rings, body floats, rafts, and other such devices.
15. In the zero-depth area of the pool, infants will be permitted to use a baby ring as space dictates but they MUST be under direct supervision of a parent/guardian at all times.
 16. Safety breaks will be called at the discretion of the lifeguards.
 17. Pool noodles are permitted but they are to be used for flotation only.
 18. Coolers are permitted but they are subject to inspection. All food and / or drinks must be kept at least ten (10) feet from the edge of the pool. Alcohol is NOT permitted.
 19. No climbing is allowed on the island in the middle of the lazy river.
 20. Children wearing Coast Guard approved flotation devices in the lazy river or the deep-end area of the pool.
 21. MUST be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times.
 22. Spring Lake Pool may not be used for personal profit or commercial purposes.
 23. Lounge chairs, cabanas, tables and other pool equipment may not be reserved. They may be used on a first come, first served basis. Property owners and guests should not leave personal items unattended. The HHPPOA accepts NO responsibility for any item left unattended.
 24. Lifeguards and pool attendants have the authority to expel violators. They may also create and enforce other safety rules, as necessary.



NOTICE

Your interactions with members of the Security Department and the POA Staff may be recorded.

Plantation Golfing by Jerry Cutrer

COUNTRY CLUB OF HILTON HEAD

Country Club of Hilton Head members played in the June Twilight Mixer, a 9-hole Step Aside Scramble of four person teams followed by Brian & Colleen Stirrat and Paul & Shoko Carpenter turned in the winning score. Mary Shanahan & John Gerstle took the Closest-to-the Pin Honors.

DOLPHIN HEAD GOLF CLUB

Dolphin Head Golf Club held its annual Men's Match Play Tournament. Play was organized into brackets with competitors eliminated in each round. Bruce Abbott prevailed in the final match to take the Tournament title.



Dolphin Head Men's Match Play Champion
Bruce Abbott



(L-R) June CCHH Twilight Mixer winning team
Brian & Colleen Stirrat and Shoko & Paul Carpenter.



CCHH Twilight Mixer Closest-to-the Pin
winners Mary Shanahan & John Gerstle.

BEAR CREEK GOLF CLUB

Eighteen BCGC members participated in a July 9-hole Alternate Shot Tournament. Bruce & Chris Hollander captured the Tournament crown while Mike & Mary Monaghan finished in second place.



(L-R). BCGC Alternate Shot Tournament Runners Up Mike & Mary Monaghan
and Tournament Champions Chris & Bruce Hollander.

SOFTBALL CLUB

The Softball Club continues its Monday morning practices but there is a change for the summer due to vacations and visits with friends and family. The practices will be held at 10AM on alternate Mondays, starting 8/12 and 8/26. They will be held at our usual field. We have had some new players join so, if you are interested in good play and meeting new friends, come on down to the POA field and get yourself in playing condition. If you have any questions, give me a call (843-715-3516) and I'll fill you in.

Remember, "SOFTBALL IS FUN"!
Bob "Bonzo" Huisman • 843.715.2516



The Tee Timers

The Tee Timers begin a new season in September and registration begins in August. We are a women's golf group, who plays year-round, every Wednesday, weather permitting! We enjoy three courses on Hilton Head Plantation: Bear Creek, Dolphin Head, and Oyster Reef. We enjoy the golf and the opportunity to meet and play with others in our community and our members play at all experience levels. So Come Join Us! Registration begins in August and the dues are \$20 annually.

To join Tee Timers for the next year, please send your dues, your name, telephone number and email address, to Susan Stewart at 36 Ribault Drive, HHI SC 29926. For more information, email to teetimers@gmail.com.

BUNCO IS BACK!

Meet at the 'new' Dolphin Head Pavilion. Third Monday of the month) at 7:00 PM. BYOB, small snack to share & \$5 towards prizes. Bunco is lots of fun and easy to learn. Questions? Call Sue Henderson at 585-734-3806.

**HILTON HEAD CORVETTE CLUB**

DO YOU WANT TO UNDERSTAND MORE ABOUT WHO WE ARE AS A CORVETTE CLUB?

The Hilton Head Plantation Corvette Club is one of the original car clubs in the plantation. It is nice to see other car clubs forming for residents to enjoy the comradery and fun of sharing time and rides with people that have the same interest. As a club we try to organize different types of events and restaurant runs that involve cruising with other Corvette owners. It is always fun to see the looks we get when a parade of 15+ Corvettes caravan down the road. The club's signature event is our Shine and Show all Corvette show held in the Plantation House parking lot. This event typically attracts 40+ corvettes.

One question we get is why we don't open the club up to non-Corvette sports cars. If we did that it would simply be another car club. Many Corvette owners do not consider themselves car people but rather Corvette owners. That sense of comradery would be lost.

Why do we make a big deal out of having no dues, meetings, bylaws or officers? I know the other car clubs in the plantation promote the same thing, but it is different with a Corvette club. There are literally hundreds of corvette clubs throughout the country. Almost all of these are affiliated with Corvette Club of America and have monthly meetings with dues, bylaws, meetings and officers. The reason we promote this is so corvette owners who live here or move here understand we are not the typical formal corvette club.

Each member gets a name tag with their name and the club logo on a lanyard. All events include spouses. We try to have one event per month.

We have several cruises planned, so if you own a corvette and would like to do rides with other corvette owners, this may be the club for you. No dues, meetings, bylaws or officers, just a mailing list.

To get on or off the email list **contact Dale Pena at dpena1@yahoo.com or call 585-704-2386.**

COME JOIN US ON FACEBOOK! See pictures of our events and stay updated on our Facebook page at "Hilton Head Plantation Corvette Club". It is a nice history of the events the club has had.

FLYING CLUB

Calling all aviation enthusiasts! We are looking for interested parties in Hilton Head Plantation to start a Flying Club. The plan would be to gather together and have regular meetings to discuss the opportunities for an LLC or partnership in two or four seat general aviation aircraft.

If this is successful, regular follow up meetings to maintain the aircraft, as well as the club, in a professional manner.

The exact aircraft and the amount of money required would be determined by the majority of the people who want to move forward with this club.

If you are not a pilot, and if you ever wanted to learn to fly, this could be an excellent

opportunity to learn to do so more economically. Our first meeting is August 17 at Signature Air in their conference room. **Contact Tom Donald at tommdonald@gmail.com or 843-384-6095** if you are interested in attending.

**TUESDAY LADIES BRIDGE**

Ladies Intermediate Level Bridge that meets every Tuesday from 12:30pm to 2:30pm at the Plantation House. If you are interesting in joining our group as a player or substitute, please **contact Barbara Mainenti at: 843-682-3475 or mainentihhi@gmail.com.**

THE HAPPY TIMES PARTY

Starting in January, Happy Times is moving back to the loveliest spot, Dolphin Head. No reservations, RSVP, no meeting, no agenda, no dues. Just a good time. Bring your own beverage and a contribution to the finger food table.

Date: Fourth Sunday of every month (except December)

Time: 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at Dolphin Head Recreation Center

For more information, call Schatzi Khalifa at 315-382-17277. To get a monthly reminder, email Ezz Khalifa at hekhalifa@gmail.com

HHP BOARD GAME CLUB

Come join the fun and play interesting and exciting board games!

We meet the second Friday of every month at 7:00 pm in the Dolphin Head Rec Area. We play until about 9:00 pm. Address is 171 Dolphin Head Drive.

Bring any games that you like (if you want). If you bring a game, it's better if you already know how to play! The group decides what games to play and everyone is included. Bring a friend!

For more info and/or to be added to the mailing list:

Contact Bill Leahy 404-232-5011 or bleahy48@gmail.com



JOIN THE HHP WOMEN'S CLUB!!

ATTEND OUR ANNUAL ICE CREAM SOCIAL
TO JOIN US OR RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP.
AUGUST 13, 2-4PM @ THE PLANTATION HOUSE



President's message:

Hello! I'm Julie Brumbelow-Cowart, and it is my honor to serve as your President for 2024-2025! Your new board has some wonderful plans for the HHPWC this year and are looking forward to getting to know you. The first question I always seem to hear is, "Where did you move here from?" We live in a unique place in that many of us are from other places. Whether you've relocated recently or been here for years, we have lots of groups for you to consider. We are 600 women strong with lots of different interests. Read on to learn more about where you might fit in and make plans to attend our ice cream social on August 13th at the Plantation House from 2-4. You'll find someone who shares your interests and you'll make new friends! **Please visit HHPWC.org prior to our ice cream social and join the Women's Club online in advance.** See you in August!

Membership gives you access to all the following clubs:

Exercise Groups

- **Afternoon Beach Walk** • Meets all year long every Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. on Islanders Beach. No fee.
- **Beach Walkers** • Meets on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9 a.m. from Labor Day to Memorial Day on Islanders Beach. No Fee.
- **Bluff Walkers** • Meets on Fridays at 9 a.m. from Labor Day to Memorial Day at Dolphin Head Pavilion Center parking lot. No fee..
- **Biking Buddies** • Meets on the 1st Thursday at various locations in HHP at 9:30 a.m. to explore Hilton Head Island. Rides range from 12-16 miles at 9-10 mph. No fee. No E-bikes.
- **S-Low Country Hikers** • Meets on third Mondays (September- May) for hiking explorations ranging from 2- to 10-miles through various SC and GA state parks. Times vary. No fee.
- **Pickleball Club** • Meets on Fridays at 1 p.m. at Hilton Head Beach and Tennis Club. All levels are welcome in this fun, relaxed group. Fee is \$7.50.

Social Food and Beverage Groups

- **Happy Hour Gals** • Meets on third Thursdays for Happy Hour at different locations around the island from 4-6 p.m. A \$5 fee covers door prizes. Dutch treat.
- **Sip At the Pit** • Meets on third Thursdays from 4-6 p.m. at the Spring Lake Firepit. BYOB. No fee.
- **Out to Lunch Bunch** • Meets on third Wednesdays (September-April , excluding December) at various restaurants within Hilton Head/ Bluffton. Annual \$10 dues pay for supplies and door prizes. Dutch treat.
- **Mangia Con Noi (Eat With Us)** • Meets on first Fridays from 2-4 p.m. in members' home kitchens to cook, share, and learn. No fee.
- **Plant Forward Healthy Eating** • Meets evenings, quarterly, in members' homes (TBD) with the goal to incorporate more plants into our diets by sharing dishes and recipes. No fee.

Unique Experience Groups

- **Bible Studies** • Meeting times vary as small groups with their own group leader bring ladies together from a variety of churches. Only new members need to register.
- **Book Clubs** • With many book clubs, each has its own meeting schedule, format, and genre. Only new members need to register.
- **Chick Flicks** • Meets on fourth Tuesdays for matinee showings at a local theater followed by social time at a local establishment. No fee.
- **Knit Wits** • Meets every Wednesday at 2 p.m. to enjoy knitting, crocheting, needlepoint, or other needle crafts. All levels are welcome. No fee.
- **Road Show Adventures** • Meets once a month for exciting day trips with a tentative schedule issued in the fall for the year. A \$5 fee is required and usually additional costs for each trip.
- **Green Thumbers** • Meets on second Mondays at 10 a.m. at the Spring Lake Pavilion with expert speakers who teach about Lowcountry gardening and the environment. Fee is \$15.
- **Happy To Help** • Meets once a month (TBD) to perform short term philanthropic work for island charities. This group is seeking a new leader. Interested? No fee.

Card Groups

- **Card Sharks** • Meets on Mondays at 1 p.m. at the Plantation House for Canasta/Hand and Foot. New players can learn in August and September. A \$5 fee covers the cost of cards and a luncheon at the end of the year.
- **Bridge Lessons** • Meets on Fridays by appointment from 1-3 p.m. at the Plantation House on the first floor. These lessons are perfect for those wishing to learn or improve their skills. No fee.
- **Party Bridge** • Meets first Thursdays and third Fridays (September-May) from 1:30-3:30 p.m. at the Plantation House. Club PENDING as there is currently no replacement leader. Want to volunteer?
- **Euchre** • Meets on second Thursdays at the Plantation House. Summer hours are 4-6 p.m. Fall hours are 3-5 p.m. Instruction is available to new players. No fee.

Tear this page out, check the circle by the clubs you're interested in joining, and bring this page to the Ice Cream Social. Follow us on Facebook and visit us online at HHPWC.org to renew or join today!!



NOTE: NO JAVA THURSDAYS GATHERINGS DURING THE SUMMER! (Between Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends)

Looking for an opportunity to get together with men from HHP for some good old fashioned male conversation and a cup of coffee? Well, join us every Thursday morning at Dolphin Head from 8:00 – 9:00 AM. We'll have the coffee, a bite to eat and lots of things to talk about!

If you have any questions or would like to get on our mailing list, please contact Ray Makalous at rmakalous@gmail.com or John Prange at j2prange@gmail.com.



Look forward to seeing you there!

GARAGE BAND

The 'Garage Band' is a place for musicians (beginner to experienced) who want to play 'classics' that are rock, country, blues (and even pop). We have a good time playing music that people like to hear. Everyone is encouraged to help the band get a set of songs together. SO, everyone come 'rock out' with us. The Garage Band wants YOU to come and listen, play, and/or sing!! Don't be embarrassed – it's like singing in the shower only with clothes on. WE GOT A KEYBOARD, NOW NEED MORE HORNS.

We meet almost every Wednesday of the month at the Plantation House from 7:00 until 10:00 pm – check the monthly activities calendar. For more information you may contact Ric Blaine at 706-373-8204 (rcb3771@gmail.com).

We'll play loud enough so you can hear us – maybe even in the parking lot! Please come on down and rock out. EVERYONE COME AND LISTEN!! COME INSIDE OR SIT ON THE DECK. BRING YOUR OWN BEVERAGE.

We now have an acoustic spinoff group which meets on various days at the Plantation House, for those who enjoy playing soft rock, blues, folk, country, bluegrass, and standards. Anyone who plays an acoustic instrument is welcome, so bring your guitar, mandolin, flute, maracas, spoons, washboard, fiddle, or anything else you feel like playing, as well as your voice and your song ideas. Contact Carol at carolkajano@gmail.com for more information, and to gain access to our current acoustic song list and schedule.



HHP DOG CLUB

Do you have a dog named Murphy, Cooper, Molly, or Belle? These are the most popular names of HHP Dog Club canines. Whatever your dog is named, we'd love for you to join us!



By joining the HHP Dog Club, you'll become part of a community that hosts fun and educational activities throughout the year. There are no time commitments or monthly meetings for general members. You'll also receive a roster of dog owners and dogs, which can be used to find play dates, ask breed-specific questions, and connect with fellow dog lovers.

Join us at one of our upcoming events:

- Saturday, August 17: Integrative Holistic Medicine for Dogs with Dr. Tracy Duffner, DVM. 11am Plantation House. Indoor event – no dogs, please.
- Saturday, October 19: Dog Agility and Dog Massage with Sandy Koepke. 10am Plantation House. Dogs welcome!
- October: HHP Halloween Pet Parade. Plantation House Parking Lot. Help the Dog Club support this annual community event!
- Saturday, November 2: Annual HHP Dog Club Donation Event. Please save unopened pet food and new and gently used pet items, including crates, leashes, collars, blankets, and toys, to support local shelter pets and food-insecure families.

Contact **HHP Dog Club Facilitator Betty Souders** at btsouders3455@gmail.com, 804-212-6956, for more information.



BACKGAMMON CLUB

Interested in the ancient exciting game of backgammon? Are you experienced? Never played? Want to learn or do you want to play in friendly tournaments with other players? Well, there's a club for all that right here on Hilton Head

Plantation. THE BACKGAMMON CLUB meets the first and third Monday of each month at 6:30 pm at Spring Lake Pavilion. No dues, officers or meetings. Just backgammon. We do ask that you sign up so we can keep you up to speed on any announcements that might need to be made. Bring your board if you have one but don't worry if you don't. We have extras.

Contact Mary Montour 651-247-7445 or email at marymontour@hotmail.com.

Hope to see you there!

NEWCOMERS CLUB

As the sweet and sultry days of summer wind down, the Newcomers Club is kicking off our 2024/25 season with an End of Summer Picnic! We're excited



to see old friends and meet new ones! Newcomers Club is a fun social club that provides a welcoming and supportive environment so HHP residents can get together, share a meal, make connections and learn more about our community.

Our season runs September through May with one catered event a month, usually held at the Plantation House. Events are BYOB – alcoholic and nonalcoholic. Members pay nominal dues and receive an email each month with details on the upcoming event and a link to register and submit payment. As you know, food and catering costs have increased recently and we're doing our best to keep costs down. All residents are welcome, whether you're brand new to HHP or have called HHP home for years!

The End of Summer Picnic will be held at the Plantation House on September 17, with typical All-American picnic fare such as fried chicken, burgers, corn on the cob and more! We'll also have some fun door prizes and a 50/50 raffle. Check out our website at www.HHPNC.com for more information and to become a member and attend. Advance registration with payment is necessary for planning purposes and we are unable to accept walk-ins. Stay cool and see you in September!

WOMEN'S JAVA: Coffee, Conversations with Common Grounds

Just like the men, HHP women now have their own coffee time. Here's a way of getting together with HHP women for a casual morning of conversation and a cup of coffee or tea. We will meet every Tuesday morning at Spring Lake Pavilion from 8:00 AM to 9:00 AM for coffee or tea and a snack to share with inspiring talk. If you have any questions or would like to get on the mailing list, **please contact Beverly Silber Rogers at bevsilber@bellsouth.net**



Women's Java is off to a great start with wonderful women. Join us for a great way to bond and get to know each other!



SAVE THE DATE!
HHP Crafters' Holiday Sale
When: Sat. Nov. 16 • 9 AM to 2 PM

Where: Christ Lutheran Church at 829 William Hilton Parkway

All proceeds benefit Hospice Care of the Lowcountry. Hilton Head Island's 12 miles of beachfront offers an abundance of inspiration to the many artists and crafters who live here. And what could be more inspirational than the many shells that are found on those beaches!

We recently had a workshop where we worked on decoupage shells to create jewelry holders, trinket bowls, and ornaments. Everyone had a wonderful time and the creations were fabulous! You can find our shells and other coastal décor at our spring and holiday craft sales. Proceeds from our sales have benefited local non-profit organizations since 1980. Over the last 20 years, HHP Crafters have donated over \$316,000 to the non-profit Hospice Care of the Lowcountry.



If you would like to join Crafters, get email updates on craft sales or have donations of craft materials, please **contact either Margot Gilbert at 843-342-9996 or Deanna Collins at 937-829-0611**. We meet twice a month; our members have many different crafting abilities and we always welcome new members, whether full or part-time.

Laurie Arnold • arnold3909@yahoo.com

HHP PORSCHE CLUB

The Porsche Club of Hilton Head Plantation is a group of Porsche car lovers who enjoy getting together occasionally to socialize and share their experiences with their car. The club has no dues and requires no commitments. If you would like to join our club, please send an email to porscheclubhhp@gmail.com with your name, email, and model of Porsche you own.



DROPTOPS CONVERTIBLE CAR CLUB OF HHP

We are a social car club with no dues, fees or meetings, just cruises and the occasional fun in the sun meet and greet. Any make, model, year or condition convertible is welcome. If your car top drops, retracts, is removable or snaps off, we would love to have you join us on the next cruise!

A sampling of some of the places we have cruised to are: Buffalos in Palmetto Bluff, Nonna Marie's Gelato and Coffee Bar in The Village at Wexford, Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn, Jane Bistro and Bar in Shelter Cove Towne Center, Links American Grill in the Harbor Town Golf Links Clubhouse. Our club members are encouraged to suggest new and exciting places to cruise to. Come join the fun!

Please contact **Nick Donato** at (ndickonato@gmail.com) or (610.909.5027) to be added to the club member list.

Join FRIENDS OF THE SALT MARSH CONSERVANCY

Did you know that HHP is home to a unique ecosystem called the Salt Marsh Conservancy? Our Salt Marsh Conservancy begins as a unique blind estuary at the end of Pine Island, and flows in and out of the tidal marsh that includes Park Creek, into the heart HHP.

Salt marshes and estuaries like ours support many forms of wildlife by providing shelter, food, and nursery grounds for more than 75% of our commercial and recreational fish species. Local fisheries depend on the fish spawned in this salt marsh nursery, and these coastal habitats help our wildlife, ecosystems, and economies thrive.

The health of this estuary is also our essential buffer from storm damage as one acre of salt marsh can absorb up to 1.5 million gallons of floodwater.

The marsh's primary nutritional source is its graceful Spartina grass. When Spartina falls, it forms a detritus wrack moving with the tides, which kills everything beneath it, leaving lifeless mud flats in place of the beautiful marsh we now enjoy.

In an effort to preserve our Salt Marsh Conservancy for generations to come, interested HHP residents are working to prevent irreparable damage to this fragile ecosystem and its natural beauty. If you're interested in learning more through articles and presentations by guest speakers, please **email your name and contact information to salt.marsh.conservatory@gmail.com**

HHP YACHT CLUB

In the doldrums? Then come on board and join the Hilton Head Plantation Yacht Club for great on and off the water events. No "yacht", no problem. You don't need to own a boat to join our crew.

Here we are tooting our own horns at the Kazoo Museum in Beaufort on June 14th.

On **October 4th** we will have a Happy Hour- BYOB and food at Dolphin Head Recreation Center.

October 9th we'll cruise to Port Royal marker 44 together with lunch.

October 17th will be our general meeting which will include a speaker from Water Missions.

Looking ahead, our November general meeting will be on the 21st and Amber Kuehn, a marine biologist and the lead manager of the Hilton Head Island Sea Turtle Patrol will be our speaker.

A complete listing of these events and other upcoming boating and on land events can be found at hhpyc.org.

HHPYC always appreciates any suggestions for future boat trips, lectures, and social events. Please **email commodore@hhpyc.org** with all suggestions. Consider joining HHPYC. Explore our website at HHPYC.org. All residents of HHP are eligible to join the Club. Social memberships are available for non-boat owners.



MODEL TRAIN CLUB

This club is for anyone who has an interest in trains. Some of our members have extensive layouts, some only have a display for the holidays, and some have no trains, but it is just like railroading in general. Members are modelers, history buffs, rail fans, etc. Model train members have O, HO, and G-gauges to name a few. The club has a permanent layout in the Plantation House, both O-gauge and HO-gauge.

We provide running trains for some of the plantation functions, for example July 4th, for the Holiday Hayride, and for the Children's' Holiday party. This year's recent July 4th event was very popular and enjoyed by many attendees both young and old. We assist anyone who needs help or just wants information about the hobby. Our club members or guests do presentations on various train topics. On occasion, we may visit another train club in the area, attend area train shows, visit a train museum or a member's home. Regular meetings are held at the Plantation House, at 2:00 PM, on the second Wednesday of the month from October to June. Guests and new members are always welcome. Please consider attending. For additional information, contact Bob Gluszik at rgluszik@yahoo.com.



PARTY FOR ONE CLUB

HHP's single ladies' club, Party for One, will be on summer hiatus in July and August. Events will resume in September with the Salty Dog Sunset Happy Hour Cruise on Thursday, September 26. Tickets are on sale now.

To join the mailing list or learn more about the club, **contact Lesley Kyle at lesley.kyle@gmail.com or 914-671-9524.**

SOLO DINING GROUP FOR MEN & WOMEN IN HHP OVER 60

A social group for widowed and unattached single men and women over 60 years old who do not wish to dine alone but would like to socialize and dine at local restaurants once or twice a month.

For more information, email Pat Lucas at patvghi@aol.com or call 843-301-6600

Craft Beer Club

The July meeting featured Beer Shirts and "matching" Beer from the same brewery. Culinary selections were supplied by members that were typical of food items you would find at the specific brewery or in the immediate area. Check out the sartorial array of Beer/Brewery shirts in the pic below. Who knew that a beer would taste better if the drinker wore a matching beer shirt?!!



Our August meeting will move off site from HHP to a "Local" (hint, hint) location. Our favorite grill master will provide meat and side dishes to help absorb the beer.

September will feature one of our favorite annual meeting events—it will be "ZEE 4th Wurst Oktoberfest Beer Club Meeting". Dirndls and Lederhosen are not required...but highly encouraged. While tough to compete with the variety of Oktoberfest beverages there will be unbelievable homemade German dishes to sop up the Oktoberfest liquids!!

The club typically meets the 4th Monday of each month at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:30 PM.. Members are encouraged to bring craft beer from the area or from their travels to discuss and share with the group. Dues are \$10/year per person and you may join at any time of the year.

Please contact Steve Yingling via Email at SteveHHI@kw.com with questions or to indicate your interest in becoming a member or to send contact info for those that wish to be members or guests.

-- Steve Yingling

HH PLANTATION PICKLEBALL CLUB (H2P2)

H2P2 In Action

- The H2P2 pickleball community coordinates and communicates with over 500 players. We also recognize HH Plantation is one of the few communities without dedicated hard courts, so we continue to serve as a voice for new recreational amenities like Pickleball in HH Plantation.
- Despite the court challenges, H2P2 members, particularly our moderate to advanced players, try to find opportunities to play outside the plantation. These include weekly groups playing at Adriana (round robins) and Island Rec.
- Saturday mornings from 9-11 there is a Pickleball social at the Dolphin Head Recreational area. This is being hosted by SLRC and all players are invited, just reserve in advance as space is limited as there are only three courts.

Today's Lesson

- The demand for Pickleball continues to explode, it has been the fastest growing sport for four years running and the trend is continuing in 2024.
- The Sports Facilities Companies (SFC), which oversees the nation's largest sports facility network, recently announced historic demand for Pickleball courts in 2024.
- Nearly half of SFC's facilities accommodate Pickleball now, with over 90% of developers and city planners nationally now evaluating courts for all new complexes.
- In the recent HH Plantation survey, in terms of new development options, Pickleball was the only alternative that is revenue-generating and profit-making, thus long-term potentially self-sustaining. H2P2 doesn't feel this was fairly represented in the survey since no details were provided on any option. Our commitment to dedicated courts remains our top priority.

Get Involved

- There is a lot of information being shared via various communications across our community. We welcome this sharing of opinions and information, and the resulting goal of transparency. That said, H2P2 membership is the best way to get the latest information on Pickleball specifically, please email us at h2p2club@gmail.com to join (it's free).
- Also, follow us on Facebook -- HHP Pickleball Players
- Several of our residents are playing in a Pickleball Tournament Supporting Mental Health in the Low Country on Sept. 28-29. All players and levels welcome. www.mhapickleball.com.

**FRIENDLY FOODIES
SIPS & BITES SUPPER CLUB**



Do you delight in cooking, trying new recipes, entertaining in a more formal style, and regularly sharing wonderfully prepared food with three other couples? Then the Friendly Foodies Gourmet Cooking Club may be just the group you are looking for. We offer formal, full course, home-cooked dinners for dinner parties of 8 during the first half of the month and more casual and relaxed gatherings of four couples, sharing delicious Appetizers/Hors d'oeuvres paired with wine during the second half of the month. You can choose to participate in either or both types of events monthly. (The club does not meet during July, August, and December).

Please contact Joni Boehm at jnboehm@gmail.com if you are interested.

WOODCARVERS

Are you looking for a hobby that allows you to create beautiful keepsakes or practical items without spending hundreds of dollars just on getting started? Wood carving checks all of those boxes. It is a type of woodworking in which people use knives, chisels, and other hand-held wood carving tools to create figures or designs in pieces of wood. A wood carver's most basic tools are carving knives, such as whittling knives, chip carving knives, and hook knives.

Whittling knives are all-purpose tools, while chip carving knives feature a thin, short blade that allows carvers to chip away small bits of wood. A hook knife, or spoon knife, has a bent blade shaped like a hook and is ideal for carving spoons and other pieces with hollowed-out areas. Most woodcarvers start by whittling. They find a small piece of softwood and use a pocket knife to create a toy or a trinket. Whittling is the most basic type of wood carving since the only essential tools are a wood carving knife and a honing strop. Chip carving starts with a flat piece of wood. Carvers "chip away" bits of wood to form a design on the wood's surface. Chip carvers use gouges as well as carving knives. Most woodcarvers do not build or repair furniture. They work on a much smaller scale.

Come and visit with us at the Plantation House on Thursdays from 12:30 to 2:30. See if you might be "cut out" to be a woodcarver. Your grandkids will benefit from your newfound skill.

Contact Jan Gantzhorn • 302-528-3475

**FARMERS CLUB
A BLOOMING SUCCESS**

A sign that our SUMMER MARKET has become an integral part of the HHP community is the line that forms every Saturday morning before the market opens. THANK YOU to our fabulous customers, for



your appreciation, enthusiasm and support! The monetary proceeds from our market helps the club maintain the farm area, the equipment, and activities. Beyond the market, our bounty of fresh, seasonal produce is shared graciously throughout the year with our neighbors at Sandalwood

Community Food Pantry here on Hilton Head and with St. Stephen's Food Bank in Ridgeland.

THANKS to the farmers for all the splendid produce and stunning flowers that were donated for sale at the



market. Thanks for the part that no one sees: planting, weeding, pruning, harvesting, and weeding during oppressive humidity, threat of rain, and when there's not a cloud in the sky. THANKS to the flower arrangers, sales force, and all other volunteers. THANK YOU ONE AND ALL!

The SUMMER MARKET achieved record sales and incalculable goodwill under the leadership of our President and Market Director, Joan La Boiteaux. Joan is a humble servant leader who puts the needs of the farm first. The success of the market is just one example of Joan's ability to surround herself with others who share common goals. Joan loves her farm family, and they love her right back! THANK YOU, Joan.

Market success literally begins with seeds and seedlings. Randy Ricker, our Vice President and Common Plot Coordinator begins planting for the market in March. Together with volunteers, Randy maintains the Common Plot all year long. Randy's many contributions to the farm and market are indispensable. THANK YOU, Randy.

Completing the trifecta of market management is Barbara Holmes. Barb coordinates three separate teams to manage the flower department. She meets flower cutters at the farm on Friday mornings, flower arrangers in the afternoon and joins the sales force on Saturday mornings. THANK YOU, Barb.

We can't wait to see you again at the WINTER MARKET beginning Saturday, November 2nd expect to see lots of Fig jam!

Submitted by: Lynn Tax for Nancy Renner on temporary leave.



HILTON HEAD PLANTATION MOTORCYCLE CLUB

The HHP Motorcycle Club, following in the tire tracks of many other clubs nationwide, is continuing the process of searching for a local charity to focus some of our energies, in addition to our volunteer efforts with HHP. Clubs around the country are known for their contributions and support for numerous charitable efforts to benefit civic society and the public good. Many clubs themselves represent various public service professions — law enforcement, firefighters, and veterans among others. In many communities, motorcycle clubs are synonymous with efforts to benefit the less fortunate among us. For example, these clubs:



- Support their communities through canned food and toy drives (often referred to as Toy Runs) to provide for those without means.
- Assist local organizations that support efforts to support the local children. These include tutoring, coaching or assist in local field trips or outings by helping to schedule and/or chaperoning the trips.
- Honor the service of veterans by participating in events such as Wreaths Across America, Rolling Thunder, Rolling for Freedom and standing flag lines at military funerals.
- Raise money for the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, the Muscular Dystrophy Foundation, and facilitate American Red Cross blood drives.
- The Harley Davidson Motor Company and the Harley Owners Group (the largest motorcycle club in the world) has raised over \$110 million for the Muscular Dystrophy Association
- More specifically, some clubs are 501(c)19 veterans charitable organizations which have raised funds to provide adaptive capabilities for children with special needs and to cover critical expenses for unhoused veterans.
- These clubs often partner with other community service organizations such as the American Legion, Rotary Club, and Lions Club.
- Motorcycle clubs are also represented in organizations such as Bikers Against Child Abuse, a major international organization that seeks to empower abuse victims to get justice, and Bikers for Books, which ensures local schools have reading materials for literary education.

We are in the process of vetting several organizations that have been identified as areas where we may be able to help and fit the skills, talents and interests of our club members. As the club narrows down the list of potential recipients we remain open to those that would like to join us or just find out more about the club. Feel free to reach out to us through our club rep at dpirkey@outlook.com

MEN'S COOKING CLUB

Men's 2nd Wednesday Cooking Club

Our group is on a Summer break, and we are looking forward to resuming on September 11, 2024. We are a collegial group of guys who love to cook, yet don't create stressful competition. Our mission is to get to know each other and have fun. We have a Chef of the Month selected from the membership who cooks for the group. In September, we are going to start up a new program covering cooking techniques, cooking tools, and possibly some guest speakers. Each member only has to cook once a year. We currently have one opening and would welcome an expression of interest. **Please contact Rick Dean 770-354-3340.**

Men's 4th Tuesday Cooking Club

Our Cooking Club consists of men who enjoy cooking new and interesting full course meals for lunch once a month. The meal is prepared at the Spring Lake Pavilion or frequently at the member's home. We enjoy each other's company and the opportunity to improve our skills.

For further information please contact:

**Steve Strom
843-342-2838.**



KAYAK CLUB

Come join the Kayak Club and paddle with a group that varies from beginner to experienced.

Are you looking to learn more about kayaking in the lowcountry? Join us at our next meeting on August 26 at the Plantation House starting at 7:00 PM. Please note that the meetings this year are being held on the fourth Monday of the month. We will plan trips for the remainder of 2024, so bring your ideas. We will also be soliciting ideas for future kayaking locations and outside speakers. For all the latest information, please check out our website at kayakclubhhp.weebly.com.

If you are not yet a member of our club or have a question about the club or our activities, please contact Janis Agnew or Ellen Killberg at kayakclubofhhp@gmail.com. Please check out our website for photos and descriptions of our past excursions.

Please note that you must be 21 or over to join and must be accompanied by a parent or guardian over 21 if joining us as a guest on any kayak trips.





Enjoying the cool colors of summer! The HHP Artists have fun all year long.

The HHP Artists Association is an eclectic group of artists comprised of painters, photographers, sculptors, jewelry, and stained glass designers. We have monthly meetings and various events from October through May.



"Pine Island Beach Shore"
by Carol Iglesias



"Pelican Up Close"
by Janice Wilson

The Painting group will continue to meet on Wednesday mornings at Dolphin Head throughout the summer. The welcome mat is always open for drop-ins or the curious.

Stop by our Art Gallery in the Plantation House to view more stunning artwork from 30 of our featured artists. We change the art displayed there 4 times during the year so there is always something new and fresh to enjoy.

If you would like more information about us, please email us at hpar-tistnews@gmail.com to receive our quarterly email newsletter.

Mary Elizabeth Sullivan
HHP Artists Association

CORN HOLE CLUB

Do you enjoy playing Corn Hole? Interested in joining a Corn Hole Club in HHP?

If anyone out there might be interested in playing some Corn Hole, (singles or doubles), you can get in touch with Bill Moore at: hhisc-moore@roadrunner.com or call 843-422-8281.

EUCHRE CLUB

The Euchre Club meets TWICE PER MONTH. They meet on the third Friday of each month at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:15 PM and on the first Tuesday of each month at the Dolphin Head Recreation Center at 6:15 PM.

For more information, please contact Chuck Stewart at chuck.stewart@e3partners.org or 330-283-2827 or Bill Leahy at bleahy48@gmail.com or 404 232 5011. Bill will be filling in for Chuck over the summer. No reservations necessary if you know how to play!

The club also offers FREE one-hour lessons by appointment only.

HHP Euchre Club



NOTE: There will be no Fishing Club meeting in August. Our next dinner meeting will be in September.



The next meeting of the Fishing Club is scheduled to be our annual Low Country Boil on Wednesday September 25. Stay tuned for information via e-mail.

Thanks to all those folks who volunteered their time and efforts at this years Kids Kamp Fishing Activity. This is being written at the mid-point of the eight-week program and while fishing was slow at times, there were some very successful days. One youngster landed a nice 21-inch largemouth bass, the largest bass any of our fishing volunteers had ever seen coming from Seabrook Lagoon. The first half of the season has been good, considering the low water levels and high water temperatures which have driven the fish to the deepest water and out of reach of the children's casts. Catching fish or not, the children still love to fish and run to the water to pick up their rod after being released from their brief safety lecture.

A total of 378 children took part in the fishing activity during the first half of this year's program. This information will be sent to the SC Department of Natural Resources which uses it in establishing their annual budget request to the SC Legislature.

Another record of sorts was set by one of our volunteers who was teaching a Kamper how to cast. The overhead cast neatly hooked his hat and lifted it off his head. Unfortunately, this fine catch was disqualified as the hat didn't reach the water.

The last fish stocking undertaken by the Club and POA added grass carp to several lagoons to help control weed growth. Carp are basically weed eaters and don't often take a bass lure. When they do hit a lure, a truly awesome fight can be the result. We were bass fishing a few years ago when a property owner saw me fishing and asked what I was fishing for. When I told him I was after largemouth bass, he said that a recent angler he had spoken with had caught a tarpon and was having a great battle. I said it couldn't have been a tarpon, which is strictly an off-shore saltwater species. The gentleman insisted that the fisherman had told him it was a tarpon. Later, it dawned on me that the angler must have said "I have a carp on".

- Earle Nirmaier



WHAT'S NEW

Spec Tennis is here at Spring Lake!

What is Spec Tennis? Spec Tennis can be a great way to transition to or from tennis. It provides a simple pathway for anyone to get into tennis, is great cross-training for current tennis players and makes tennis fun again for those who are no longer fans of the full-sized tennis court.

Follow us on the Spring Lake Racquet Club Website (app.courtreserve.com/app/SLRC) for more details on events we will be hosting in the next coming weeks



NEW SUMMER HOURS

We are excited to announce we will be open until 7:30PM throughout the Summer. During the hot Summer months, some say, playing tennis in the evening might be even more enjoyable than playing in the morning because of cooler temperatures and lower humidity. Don't take our word for it, come check it out for yourself!

UPCOMING TENNIS EVENTS

- August 2nd – First Friday Tennis Social
- September 6th – First Friday Tennis Social
- October 4th -Oktoberfest Social
- November 1st – First Friday Tennis Social
- December 6th – First Friday Tennis Social



BOCCE



Let the 2024 Fall Season Begin!

New to the League and want to play this Fall? Assemble either two or three players and sign up online by 8/17! Anyone who lives in Hilton Head Plantation may participate. Team registration instructions are below.

This season, play begins 9/2, matches are weekly, the season ends 10/26 and is followed up with playoff rounds from 11/2 through 11/10. Top the season off on 11/16 with the Fall Awards Banquet at the Plantation House from 5 – 8 pm. Happy Hours are every Thursday during the season at 4 pm at the Spring Lake Pavilion or bocce courts.

Calling all teams! On 8/17 at noon, new and seasoned players should head to the Bocce courts to learn/review basic skills, techniques and strategies at the one-hour Champions Clinic. It's free and is strongly recommended for all.

To register your team: Log on to the Bocce Club's Announcements page on Spring Lake Racquet Club's Court Reserve platform, or enter the URL: app.courtreserve.com/Online/Portal/Index/7345.

Looking for a partner? A "Need a Teammate" form is available on the Announcements page.

For assistance, **contact Bocce Club president John Hupchick at hpbocce.president@gmail.com.**



OPEN MAH JONGG (MJ) CLUB

The MJ club is for anyone with an interest in Mah Jongg. Guests and New members are always welcome, please consider attending! Thanks to all who have come out and made good start for this new club!

Regular Open Sessions are normally held on Tuesdays at Dolphin Head, starting at 12:30 pm and closing at 3:30 pm to lock up. (Please see note below for dates that Dolphin Head is not available for MJ Club use)

Players are now using the NMJL 2024 card. The NMJL 2024 card is now available to purchase and can be purchased online at: <https://www.nationalmahjonggleague.org>.

While any MJ group can use the open session time for their preferred style at a table – many will be using the American style, using the rules and cards of the National Mah Jongg League (NMJL).

A MJ set would need to be brought to the session for each table pre-planning to play in Open Session. Several players do bring MJ sets and will be happy to accommodate drop-ins as available.

Those players interested in ensuring play of a traditional NMJL game, should plan arrange their own tables of 4, cards and MJ set. Those who enjoy a more “social” game are welcome as well. A “social” simply means the NJML cards would still be used, but setup and rules are more “social” in nature. “Social” tables may be played with 4, 3, or 2 players. Single players are encouraged to participate and arrange to join an open table.

No dues, No fees, No Committees (unless someone wants to volunteer to organize a special event or outing!).

If you have any questions or would like to get on our mailing list or would be interested in joining, please send your name, email and phone number to:

Andrea Fister fisterandrea@gmail.com

KNOWN Dates the MJ Club will be unable to use Dolphin Head (as of April 2024)

- August 20, November 5, November 19
- 4th Tuesday of the month (sessions will be held at the Plantation House)

SAVE THE DATE COFFEE WITH PETER
SEPT 21st at 10am

MEN'S CARDS

Per the schedule listed on the POA Monthly Activities Calendar (insert can be found inside *Plantation Living*), Men's Card Groups play at the Spring Lake Pavilion at 6:00 PM on the following days:

- Every Tuesday    
- Every Wednesday

We encourage you to stop by and watch the games played to determine if you are interested in joining one of the groups.

Hatha Yoga Class – New 6-Week Session

The Activities Department is excited to introduce a new 6-week session of Hatha Yoga taught by Mary Montour. Hatha yoga combines a gentle asana (posture) practice that emphasizes core strength, flexibility, balance, concentration, and breath control. Mary feels alignment is key to staying safe and getting the maximum benefit from the poses. Mindful, slow flow coupled with the breath and longer holds compliment the active alignment cues. Props will be utilized to help with alignment so students of all abilities can participate. Restorative poses and meditation close out the class. This class is suitable for students that are newer to yoga with some yoga experience, as well as experienced students interested in a lower intensity flow and refinement of alignment.

Classes will be held on Wednesdays at the Spring Lake Pavilion from 2:30 – 3:30 PM. The session will run September 4 through October 9, and the cost is only \$45/person for the entire session.

Dates: Wednesdays • September 4 - October 9
Time: 2:30 – 3:30 PM
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: \$45/person
Instructor: Mary Montour

If interested, sign up at the Scheduling Office with Jen or Sean. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. A maximum of 20 participants will be permitted to sign up for this class. For questions, call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090.

Qigong Class – New 6-Week Session

Qigong (chee gong) is an ancient Chinese health care system that was developed before the written word in Chinese monasteries, hospitals and imperial courts. It integrates movements, breathing techniques, focus attention and self applied massage. Qigong means cultivating or working with energy and is practiced for health maintenance, increased vitality and inner peace. Our instructor, Bénédicte Gadron, will be teaching a six-week session beginning Monday, August 26, and the cost is only \$45/person for the entire session. If interested, please sign up with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. Questions? Call 843-681-8090.

Dates: Mondays • August 26 – October 14 (Skipping 9/2 – Labor Day & 9/23)
Time: 4:30 – 5:30 PM
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: \$45/person
Instructor: Bénédicte Gadron

Qigong’s great appeal is that anyone can benefit from practicing it, from the very young to the very old. The movements are easy to learn. They can be performed standing or sitting and can be adapted for physical limitations. No special equipment or clothing is required. A minimum is needed in order to have this class so sign up today!

UNIVERSAL FITNESS CLASSES

Program	Instructor	Days	Time	Place	2024 Fees
Low-Impact Aerobics	Louise Lund	Mon • Wed • Fri	8:30 - 9:30 AM	SLP	1 ticket • \$7 10 tickets • \$65 20 tickets • \$120 30 tickets • \$165 40 tickets • \$210
Total Body Conditioning	Louise Lund	Mon • Wed • Fri	9:30 - 10:30 AM	SLP	
Chair Yoga	Gayle Caporale	Mondays	3:00 - 4:00 PM	SLP	
Pilates	Holly Wright	Tues • Thurs	8:30 - 9:30 AM	SLP	
Core, Strength, & Balance	Louise Lund	Tues • Thurs	9:45 - 10:45 AM	SLP	
Gentle Yoga	Gayle Caporale & Nick Donato	Tues • Thurs	5:30 - 6:30 PM	SLP	
Morning Water Aerobics	Gretchen Spiridopoulos	Mon • Wed • Fri	8:30 - 9:30 AM	Pool	
Deep End Water Aerobics	Jackie Spindel	Tues • Thurs	5:30 - 6:30 PM	Pool	

You must use a 2024 Universal Fitness Ticket in order to attend the above classes. Tickets are available for purchase at the POA Service Center and the Plantation House.

Sign-up for POA Activities at the Scheduling Office in the Plantation House. Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843.681.8090

THANK YOU! YOU'RE THE BEST

The Kids Kamp Director, Counselors and Staff would like to thank all of the wonderful parents and grandparents, groups, and volunteers who made Kids Kamp 2024 such a fantastic summer this year!

An **EXTRA BIG THANKS** goes to the following groups for giving of their time and talent to make our Kids Kamp program such a success: The HHP Fishing Club, The HHP Bocce Club, Jill Moore with Moore 2 Life (Master Naturalist), Doug Hubbard & Firehouse Nutz Extreme Events, Chuck & Janet Glausier with POPS of Hilton Head, the Gonzalez Family, Mangiamo's, and the Spring Lake Lifeguards. On behalf of the Activities Department, we would like to wish all of the children a safe return to school this fall. We hope to see each one of you back next summer!



Community Blood Drive



The Activities Department is teaming up with OneBlood for another community blood drive on Monday, September 9, between 9:00 AM and 4:00 PM. OneBlood is a not-for-profit community asset serving hospitals in the South Carolina Low-country and Coastal Empire region. Blood donated with OneBlood stays in our community to help the needs of our local patients. Did you know – about 38% of the population can donate blood but less than 10% actually do? Share your power!

Date: Monday, September 9
Time: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Place: Plantation House Parking Lot
 (inside the OneBlood Big Red Bus)
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090

To schedule an appointment, call Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 today! Not sure if your travel or medications will impact your eligibility, visit www.oneblood.org/donate or call 1-888-9DONATE (936-6283). Please remember to eat, hydrate, and bring an ID. Wearing masks are optional on the bus. Also, all donors will receive a OneBlood gift and a \$20 eGift Card PLUS a wellness check-up including blood pressure, temperature, iron count, pulse, and cholesterol screening. If you are not feeling well and healthy the day of the blood drive, please do NOT come to the blood drive. Thank you!

AARP Driver Safety Course

The Activities Department is excited to be partnering with Gary Jones, local AARP Instructor, to bring you the AARP Driver Safety 4-hour Course on Wednesday, August 28, and Tuesday, September 24. Class participants will receive course workbook, class instructions that include defensive driving techniques, proven safety strategies, new traffic laws and rules of the road. No tests to take – simply sign up and learn. Certificate of completion (good for 3 years) is given, and participants will be eligible for an insurance discount (consult your insurance company for details). This class is designed for drivers ages 55+. Class participants will only have to attend one of the 4-hour classes! Seating is limited to 30 participants per class so sign up today to reserve your seat!

Date: Wednesday, August 28 • 12 PM - 4 PM
 OR
 Tuesday, September 24 • 12 PM – 4 PM
 *Please arrive 15 minutes early for check-in

Place: Spring Lake Pavilion

Cost: \$20.00 per person – AARP members
 \$25.00 per person – Non-AARP members
 (checks made payable to AARP)

Instructor: Mr. Gary Jones

Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090

If interested, please register with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. You MUST pay by check or cash at the time of registration. Light refreshments will be provided. And please bring your drivers license and AARP card (if you have one) to class with you.

“The Signs & Symptoms of Cataracts” Seminar

The Activities Department will be teaming up with Dr. Erin Benjamin of Goulas Eye on Monday, September 30, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House to offer a FREE seminar on “The Signs & Symptoms of Cataracts.” Dr. Benjamin will define what a cataract is, how to determine the common signs and symptoms of a cataract, and discuss up-to-date management and treatment options for cataracts. The seminar will conclude with a Q & A period at the end.

When: Monday, September 30 • 10:00 AM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenter: Dr. Erin Benjamin, Goulas Eye in HHI & Bluffton
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or by email at scheduling@hhppoa.org

To register, please call Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email: scheduling@hhppoa.org. Seats are limited so sign up today!

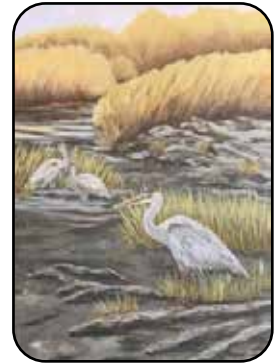
Dr. Erin Benjamin is a practicing comprehensive ophthalmologist at Goulas Eye in HHI and Bluffton. She graduated medical school at Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine in 2009 and completed her ophthalmology residency at Michigan State University in 2013. Dr. Benjamin and her family currently reside in Hilton Head Plantation, and she looks forward to providing the highest level of eye care to her community.

August Art Classes with LouAnne Barrett

Open Studio

Join our fun group of artists to create. Artists and art students of all skill levels are welcome to join. Instructor provides materials for new artists to experiment and try other mediums. This session will not be any particular subject study. You're invited to bring photos of whatever is inspiring you currently or you can browse through instructor's various files of photos for inspiration. If you have a particular interest in learning something, please email the instructor before class begins on August 5. Class maximum: 10 artists; class minimum: 4 artists. Visit the website labarrettartist.com to view instructor's work.

When: Monday, August 5 **Mondays, August 12 & 26**
Time: 1:00 – 7:00 PM OR 1:00 – 4:00 PM **1:00 – 4:00 PM**
(Full Day) OR (Half Day) **(Half Day)**
Place: Dolphin Head Rec Center
Cost: \$160 for entire session (1 Full Day and 2 Half Day Classes)
OR \$49/Class OR \$90/Full Day Workshop



If interested, sign up at the Scheduling Office with Jen or Sean. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. **For questions, call 843-681-8090 or contact LouAnne Barrett via email at 1ladesignsonhhi@gmail.com.**

Artist/Instructor Education:	Artist/Instructor Experience:
AA from Mesa College, San Diego, Ca.	Designer/Owner of Interior Design Firm - 17 years
BFA from Ohio University, Athens, Ohio	Middle & High School Art Teacher - 20 years
M.Ed from Lesley University, Cambridge, MA	Adjunct Professor of Interior Design - 10 years

REMINDER for all POA Clubs using the POA facilities:

We will be having our **ANNUAL ALL CLUBS MEETING** on Thursday, September 5, to review HHPPOA rules and regulations for Clubs, discuss logistics of use of the buildings, scheduling procedures and event marketing. Each Club is encouraged to send at least ONE representative to the meeting.

ALL Clubs – Please meet at the Plantation House at 10:00 AM.

Also, don't forget! Club paperwork and building schedule request forms for 2025 will be emailed to each Club in advance and must be returned to the Scheduling office on or before the meeting date.

For questions, **please call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090.**

September Art Classes with LeAnn Kalita

“Wings of Wonder” Rice Paper Workshop+

Are you fascinated by the delicate beauty of dragonflies, the vibrant colors of butterflies, and the mesmerizing flight of hummingbirds? And do you like working on the alternative surface of rice paper? Then join LeAnn Kalita on September 19 & 26 to create your own “Wings of Wonder” decorative series. In this upcoming workshop+, you'll capture the essence of these three winged wonders using your own selection of vivid pigment enhanced by the dynamic contrast of permanent ink. Upon completion, these pieces may be placed in a standard 8” x 10” frame (low-cost option available in class) or larger and displayed individually or as a collection. Reference photos will be provided. Open to all levels of watercolor painters. Materials fee of \$5 for a full sheet of rice paper and adhesive will be collected in class. Supply list given at registration. **Please note:** Classes will be held at the Spring Lake Pavilion now that Kids Kamp has ended.

When: Thursday, September 19 **Thursday, September 26**
Time: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM **1:00 – 4:00 PM**
Place: Spring Lake Pavilion
Cost: For BOTH (1 full-day & 1 half-day) for \$120/person
OR \$90/full-day workshop OR \$49/half-day class



If interested in signing up for any of LeAnn's classes, please stop by the Scheduling Office. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. For questions, **call 843-681-8090 or contact LeAnn Kalita via email: kalitart@gmail.com.**

Morning Water Aerobics

Our morning Water Aerobics class with Gretchen Spiridopoulos will not only keep you cool, but also benefit your body.

Water is the ideal place to exercise. Water-based activities, from swimming to pool walking, are among the best forms of full-body exercise. It strengthens your muscles and your heart. It takes pressure off your joints. It allows for greater range of motion. It holds you up, so losing your balance is never a worry. Oh, and it burns more calories too!

Water aerobics offers advantages you can't get on land. Not only is it gentler on your joints, it encourages greater flexibility and works more muscles. We know strength training involves increasing resistance. Walking in water for thirty minutes burns 50% more calories than the same pace on land. Plus, water pressure on your body increases cardiac output so more nutrient-rich blood gets to your muscles.

Water aerobics is more than just an exercise or activity. It works your whole body, has less impact, is an ideal environment for resistance training, helps improve balance, eliminates the risk of a fall, and helps keep bones strong. Jump into the world of water aerobics and experience a journey of health and happiness like no other. It's FUN!

Date: **Monday – Wednesday – Friday**
 Place: **Spring Lake Pool**
 Time: **8:30 AM – 9:30 AM**
 Instructor: **Gretchen Spiridopoulos**
 Cost: **One Universal Fitness Ticket**

Deep-End Water Aerobics

The Activities Department is offering an evening Deep-End Water Aerobics class on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Deep-End Water Aerobics will be a non-impact aquatic class with water resistance for overall conditioning using vertical positioning. Jogging and specific exercises will strengthen the back and abdominal muscles for a total body workout. This class will be a wonderful way to strengthen and tone your body!

Dates: **Tuesdays & Thursdays**
 Place: **Spring Lake Pool**
 Time: **5:30 – 6:30 PM**
 Instructor: **Jackie Spindel**
 Cost: **One Universal Fitness Ticket**

Universal Fitness Tickets from 2023 are not valid or exchangeable!! To attend either class, you must use a 2024 Universal Fitness Ticket. See Universal Fitness Ticket Matrix for prices on page 19.



**IT'S TIME FOR
THE ANNUAL CLEANING
OF THE FACILITIES**

**Dolphin Head Rec Center
Plantation House • Spring Lake Pavilion
Monday, August 19 through Friday, August 23**

*Some POA Clubs meeting during this timeframe may need to be moved to another facility to accommodate the annual cleaning schedule. Please call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 if you have any questions.

**All ad-hoc card groups who regularly meet at the Plantation House will need to find a different location for the week. THANK YOU!!

“Can You Trust a Trust to Protect Your Assets?” Seminar

Please join the Activities Department and Elder Law Attorney Lisa Hostetler Brown, J.D., CELA* of Elder Law and Estate Planning Center – A Division of LawyerLisa, LLC on Tuesday, September 17, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House for a FREE seminar entitled “Can You Trust a Trust to Protect Your Assets?” Learn what a trust is, when you might need one, and how it is a beneficial tool to avoid probate court. It is crucial to have a plan for your retirement years, have the proper documentation to support your plan, and a team in place to help navigate what may come.

When: Tuesday, September 17 • 10:00 AM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE!
Presenters: Lisa Hostetler Brown, J.D., CELA*, Managing Attorney of Elder Law & Estate Planning Center – A Division of LawyerLisa, LLC
RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090
 or email: scheduling@hhppoa.org

If interested in attending, please contact Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org. Space is limited so sign up today! Light refreshments will be served.

Presenter's Background: Lisa Hostetler Brown is the Managing Attorney of the Elder Law and Estate Planning Center – A Division of LawyerLisa, LLC, located in Bluffton, SC. LawyerLisa concentrates on elder law, long-term care planning, asset protection, probate avoidance, trust and estate planning, and life care planning. *Lisa is a Certified Elder Law Attorney through the National Elder Law Foundation. She is one of only five with this designation in the state of South Carolina.

SUPERHERO BINGO NIGHT

Please join the Activities Department on **Friday, September 6, at 6:00 PM** at the Plantation House for an entertaining evening of Superhero Bingo! Everyone is invited to come dressed up as your favorite superhero character and enjoy 8 rounds of Bingo fun! Come hungry too as we'll have a variety of yummy appetizers and desserts to enjoy.

Event price includes admission and one bingo card for the first round. Additional bingo cards are available for \$1 donation per bingo card per round. Deadline to sign-up is Friday, August 30. Seating is limited so sign up early. To register, stop by the Scheduling Office at the Plantation House because your payment IS your reservation. For questions, call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090.

When: Friday, September 6 • 6:00 – 8:30 PM

Place: Plantation House

Price: \$10/person (includes admission, refreshments, and one bingo card for the first round)
\$1.00 donation per bingo card per round

Questions: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090

Deadline: Friday, August 30

We will be selling bingo markers for \$2 each; however, feel free to bring your own. You may also BYOB if you wish. See you there!



Flu Shots with CVS

The Activities Department is excited to be partnering with the local CVS Pharmacy to offer flu shots at the Plantation House from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM on Friday, September 20. Appointments must be made by calling Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090. Please specify WHICH TYPE of flu shot you need at the time of registering – High Dose versus Regular Dose.

You will need to bring your insurance cards on the day of the flu clinic. If you have a supplement card to Medicare Part B please bring that as well. Please be sure to arrive 10 minutes before your appointment time to give yourself enough time to complete the insurance form.

When: Friday, September 20 • 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Where: Plantation House

Cost: \$ TBA – Regular dose • \$ TBA – High dose (For those without insurance or Medicare)

RSVP: Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or Email: Scheduling@hhppoa.org

Administered by: CVS Pharmacy

Most insurances are accepted; however, the flu shots are also available without insurance. Exact cash or check will be accepted. Staff will not be able to make change for those paying in cash. The prices for the regular dose and high dose flu shots will be announced as soon as those prices have been provided to us.

Fusion Fitness – New 6-Week Session

The Activities Department is excited to be offering another 6-week session of Fusion Fitness with instructor Mary Grogan this fall. Fusion Fitness is a fusion of Pilates and light weights for all levels. The goal is to empower you to tone, strengthen and move your body with confidence, strength, and awareness. All sports will be enhanced as you improve your posture, balance, increase energy, and decrease stress. Participants should bring a mat, water, and a set of light weights (2-3 lbs.).

This new 6-week session will be offered on Wednesdays in the evenings from 6:45-7:45 PM at the Spring Lake Pavilion (upstairs) starting September 18 and continuing through October 23. Participants should be prepared to get down and up off the floor for some of the exercises.

Dates: Wednesdays • September 18 – October 23

Time: 6:45 – 7:45 PM

Place: Spring Lake Pavilion

Cost: \$45/person

Instructor: Mary Grogan

A maximum of 20 participants are permitted to sign up for this class. If interested, sign up with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. For questions, call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090.

Group Tour • “Shades of Ireland” • Coming in 2025!

Hilton Head Plantation residents will have another travel opportunity to cross “the pond” with our “Shades of Ireland” Tour in 2025. The tour will begin as you make your way toward the Emerald Isle and its many wonders. Rich history, rolling hills and warm smiles lie ahead in Dublin, Waterford, Killarney and Limerick. Highlights on the tour include your choice of a Dublin City Bus Tour or Walking Tour, your choice of visiting the Waterford Crystal Factory or Waterford Medieval Museum and Wine Vault, Blarney Castle, Ring of Kerry, Cliffs of Moher, Sheepdog demonstration, and ending the trip with a castle stay. **Please note:** The overall activity level of this tour is a level 2. This means you like a balanced approach to travel. Walking two to three miles over the course of a day is no problem for you. You can partake in a two-hour leisurely walking tour (including breaks), and you can handle a variety of terrains, from cobblestone streets to moderate hills with relative ease and without assistance. You can climb two flights of stairs with ease.



Because of high demand, we have ADDED A SECOND BUS! However, this second bus will be leaving a week earlier. The dates for the second bus will be March 1 through March 10, 2025. There is limited space still available. The trip will also include airfare in and out of Savannah as well as 13 meals: 8 breakfasts and 5 dinners. There will be Single, Double or Triple accommodations available with opportunities to upgrade to Elite Airfare if you so choose. Pricing for Double accommodations starts as low as \$3,999 per person. Single accommodations are limited (never guaranteed) & on a request basis. If you know you need a single, please sign up as soon as possible. Trip brochures are available at the Plantation House if you want to learn more about the itinerary and pricing details OR check out the link on the Collette website for more details: <https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1276582>

**Questions? Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or Scheduling@hhppoa.org
OR Chrissy at 843-681-8800, ext. 226 or ckristian@hhppoa.org**



Also available is an optional 3-Night London Pre Tour Extension as well as an optional 3-Night Edinburgh Post Tour Extension. Sign-ups will be limited so the sooner you pay your deposit, the better!

“Your Digital Photos and You: Easily Organize, Declutter, and Quickly Find Your Photos” Seminar

Do you struggle to find that photo you are looking for? Do you worry that all your photos are not in one place or backed up in the event something happens? If so, then join the Activities Department and Rhoda Gordon, Certified Photo Manager and Owner of Sunflower Photo Solutions, LLC, for a free seminar entitled “Your Digital Photos and You: Easily Organize, Declutter, and Quickly Find Your Photos” on Wednesday, October 2, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House.

Our devices are filled with countless photos capturing precious memories and moments; however, managing these digital collections can become overwhelming. This seminar aims to guide you through the process of transforming your photo chaos into a streamlined, enjoyable, and productive experience. You will get quick tips that you can implement now to be able to find that special photo every time. Find and remove duplicates as well as all the unwanted photos for good, clearing space on your camera roll for your important photos.

Additionally, September is Save Your Photos Month. Save Your Photos Month (SYPM) began after Superstorm Sandy devastated the Northeast, wildfires swept across the Northwest, and California faced mudslides, not to mention the usual hurricane season in the South. Many families who suffered these disasters were most heartbroken about losing their precious photos and memorabilia. The goal of Save Your Photos Month is to encourage families to organize, preserve, share, and celebrate their photo and video memories. Now in its 10th year, Save Your Photos Month has gained significant recognition, even being highlighted on the Today Show last year.

When: Wednesday, October 2 • 10:00 AM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE
RSVP: Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org
Presenter: Rhoda Gordon, Certified Photo Manager & Owner of Sunflower Photo Solutions, LLC



If interested in attending the free presentation, please RSVP to the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org. Light refreshments will be served. We hope to see you there!

Lecture on “The Middle East: Archeological & Historical Data Connected to the Present Day” with Suzanna Eibuszyc

The Activities Department is teaming up with Suzanna Eibuszyc, resident of HHP and the author of her non-fiction book *Memory is Our Home*, to offer a free historical lecture on Wednesday, September 25, at 10:00 AM at the Plantation House. Suzanna will present her talk based on her work in archeology, researching with Tel Aviv University and scholars from around the world. She excavated at Tel Beer-Sheva, Israel. Infatuated by her mother’s stories of exotic lands when her mother survived WWII in Stalin’s Russia and Uzbekistan. Suzanna went to work in the desert, in Israel.

To understand what is happening today, we must begin with the past. Using archeology and history of the Middle East, Suzanna will try to explain what is happening today, and to do this, she will examine the past. The archeological evidence for the Israelite Period is vast, and this clearly defined ethnic group survived into history.

When: Wednesday, September 25 • 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Where: Plantation House
Cost: FREE
RSVP: Call Jen or Sean at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org
Presenter: Suzanna Eibuszyc, local author of *Memory is Our Home*

If interested in attending this 2-hour presentation, please RSVP to the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090 or email scheduling@hhppoa.org. We hope to see you there!

Presenter Bio: Suzanna was born in Poland, lived in NYC, Calabasas, California, and now resides in HHI, South Carolina. She graduated from CCNY with a BA, and at the department of Jewish studies is where she first met Professor Elie Wiesel, who was instrumental in helping her get the book published.

It was during her time at City College of NY, in Prof. Elie Wiesel’s classes, that she connected the dots, of the Holocaust, the aftermath and that the reestablishment of Israel in 1948, after WWII, is a miracle. Suzanna also received her MA from UCLA, and she was awarded a grant which allowed her to travel to Poland and Israel. To learn more about Suzanna and *Memory is Our Home* please visit <https://memoryisourhome.com>.

Soccer Shots is coming to HHP this fall!

The Activities Department is excited to be teaming up with Soccer Shots again to offer another 8-week soccer enrichment program this fall. The soccer sessions will be held at the Surrey Lane ball fields on Mondays, August 19 through October 14 (skipping Labor Day – 9/2) with the following two Mondays reserved as potential make-up rain dates if needed.

There will be three programs to choose from based on age:

Mini (2-3 Years Old) • A high-energy program that introduces children to fundamental soccer principles, like using your feet, dribbling and the basic rules of the game. Through fun games, songs and positive reinforcement, children will begin to experience the joy of playing soccer and being active. This will be hands-on with parents/guardians on the field too. This program will be held from 5:00-5:30 PM. To be eligible, the child must turn 2 years old by October 1, 2024.

Classic (3-5 Years Old) • Utilizes creative and imaginative games to focus on basic soccer skills like dribbling, passing, and shooting. Coaches will also highlight a positive character trait each session such as respect, teamwork, and appreciation. This program will be held from 5:30-6:00 PM.

Premier (5-8 Years Old) • Focuses on individual skills, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner. This program will be held from 6:00-6:30 PM.

Cost is \$150/child for the 8-week program, and this price includes a jersey for your child. This is a non-competitive program. It will focus more on building skills and learning the game. If interested, please register with Jen or Sean at the Scheduling Office. Your check or cash payment IS your reservation. Checks should be made payable to HHPPOA. Waivers must be signed by parents/guardians before participation. **For questions, call 843-681-8090.**







There are few symbols of the Lowcountry more iconic than the centuries-old, majestic Live Oak. These magnificent trees are a testament to nature’s resilience and beauty, standing tall and proud through the ages. In our area, there are many such oaks, and they boast some fascinating facts worth learning about and some intriguing stories you don’t want to miss.

The name Live Oak comes from the seemingly evergreen leaves of these trees. In reality, the Live Oak, or *Quercus virginiana*, is semideciduous. In late February and early March, its new leaves grow in, pushing the old (but still green!) leaves out, much like a set of permanent teeth pushes out baby teeth. This process makes it seem as though Live Oaks are always green. Only the litter of dead leaves beneath their enormous canopies gives them away.

Live Oak trees are extremely hearty and do well in our coastal environment. These 100- to 400-year-old oaks have weathered their share of hurricanes, storm surges, and the occasional inundation of their roots in salt water, sometimes for several days! Still, these bastions provide a buffer against extreme weather, offer shelter and shade, perform carbon capture and storage, and spring from uniquely sweet acorns beloved by the Lowcountry’s many birds and mammals.

With such longevity, live oaks are the epitome of the phrase, “If these trees could talk...”. Amongst these storied trees, there is an elite class known as the Legacy Oak. A Legacy Oak is one that is in good condition, has limbs projecting in a uniform and radial fashion from a vertical trunk, has a good setting, is picturesque, and exhibits extraordinary shape and range in age from 100 to 360 years old.

Hilton Head Plantation has its very own Legacy Oak right inside our back gates, The Tailbird Oak. In October of 1781, at the height of the Revolutionary War, a Royal Militia on Daufuskie Island was instructed to burn the homes of known Patriots between Savannah and Beaufort. When the militia arrived at Tailbird Plantation, Lt. John Tailbird’s pregnant wife, Mary Ann, faced off with the officer in charge — who happened to be her brother-in-law. He gave her time to move household goods out of the plantation house and place them beneath the protective canopy of the enormous Live Oak 100 yards or so from the house. The Tailbird Oak would shelter the people and the property, but the house would burn to the ground.

As iconic as the Live Oak is, it’s hard to imagine its silhouette minus the famed Spanish moss that adorns its craggy branches. Neither Spanish nor moss, this air plant is a bromeliad, related to the pineapple. Soft, fluffy, and abundant, it seemed the obvious choice for stuffing the mattresses of early settlers. Unfortunately, Spanish moss had been homesteaded long before — by the chigger. As the moss within the mattresses died off, the chiggers abandoned ship and ran for the cover of the nearest living creature. In this case, the bodies of the poor, unsuspecting settlers. If you ever wondered where the phrase “Don’t let the bed bugs bite!” was born, well, now you know!

The Legendary Live Oak is not just a tree; it’s a storyteller of the Lowcountry’s rich history and a symbol of strength and endurance. Whether you’re a history buff, a nature enthusiast, or just someone who loves a good story, the Live Oak has something for everyone. So next time you find yourself beneath the canopy of one of these magnificent trees, take a moment to appreciate its grandeur and the tales it holds within its ancient branches.

- Pippi Itkor • Lowcountry Master Naturalist

Security Spotlight

Dear Residents of Hilton Head Plantation,
The Hilton Head Security Department would like to take this opportunity to inform you about the crucial information needed when reporting suspicious or criminal activity. Your cooperation is vital in maintaining the safety and security of our community. Here are the key points to remember:

- 1. Clear and Concise Communication:**
 - o Always speak clearly and concisely so the dispatcher can accurately understand the information you are providing.
- 2. Detailed Suspect Descriptions:**
 - o Provide a thorough description of the suspect and their activities.
 - o Include details such as height, weight, hair color, clothing type, and color.
 - o Clearly describe the suspect’s actions.
- 3. Vehicle Descriptions:**
 - o Provide the color of the vehicle, if known.
 - o Specify the type of vehicle (make and model).
 - o If possible, provide the license plate number.
- 4. Precise Location and Direction:**
 - o Give the exact location where you last observed the suspect.
 - o Mention the direction in which they were traveling when you last saw them.
- 5. Prompt Reporting:**
 - o Call as quickly as possible. Delays in reporting give suspects the opportunity to leave the area before security can respond.

We want to extend our gratitude to the residents who have taken the initiative to report suspicious activities in their neighborhoods. Thanks to your prompt and clear calls, we have recently apprehended numerous theft offenders. Your involvement is crucial, and without it, these apprehensions would have been much more challenging.

Thank you for your continued vigilance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Major Warren Gaither
Hilton Head Security Department

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COMMUNICATIONS@HHPOA.ORG AND WATCH
FOR AN ANSWER IN AN UPCOMING ISSUE OF
PLANTATION LIVING!

How do I log in to the online guest pass system?

- When you log on for the first time, you will need to enter the 'community code' which is 'HHP' in all caps. Click 'Remember'.
- Next, enter your User Name. This is your current five (5) digit PIN number. Click 'Remember'.
- Now, enter your password . This is your last name in all CAPS.
- Click 'login'.
- Now you are set up to generate guest passes!

How do I replace my mailbox?

- You can request a new mailbox, post, paper slot, nameplate, house number, etc. at the POA Service Center at 7 Surrey Lane.
- All mailbox orders must be made in person and payment must be made when order is placed.
- The average time a work order takes to be completed is 5 – 10 business days.

What about paint for my mailbox?

- The POA supplies paint for your mailbox and post. All we ask is that you bring in an empty jar with a lid and in exchange you will receive a full paint jar. There are two types of paint, always let the front desk know which you need. The mailbox gets an oil based paint, while the post/paper slot gets a latex based paint.

How update my property owners decal?

- To update your Property Owner Decal you must bring your current registration, insurance, and drivers license to the POA Service Center located at 7 Surrey Lane. A Property Owner Vehicle Decal is good for two years.
- Owners and/or dependents residing with the Property Owner are eligible to receive a property owner decal.

How do I register for an activity?

- Throughout the year, the HHPPOA Activities/Recreation Department plans a wide variety of exciting activities and events for the diverse population of the Plantation.
- To register for an activity please call the Scheduling Office at 843-681-8090. You can learn about all of the different seminars, activities, and events in each issue of Plantation Living that comes out on the 15th of the month.