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Which Organization is Responsible for What?

Kate Hines, PCAM, LSM, MCM

General Manager

Do you know which organization is responsible for what on Fripp? You may not. It's easy to get confused because there are so many different entities, and we try to work together in many capacities. I'd like to use this month's Trawler article to set the record straight. We will have a nice little button on the FIPOA website that you can refer to any time you forget.

The Fripp Island Property Owners Association (FIPOA) is in charge of Security; roads and rights-of-way along those roads; the Architectural Review Board, which has purview over all single family residences; covenants for all single family residences; public beach crossovers; lagoons not on golf courses; bridges, with the exception of the Inlet Bridge, although we collect the money for it and pass it along to the PSD; Davis Love Park; Audubon Park; common green space at the front of the island and down the southeast side of Tarpon; the Water Tower garden; common green space in all subdivisions; The Trawler; decals for owners, renters, Club members and contractors; guest passes and all access to the island.

The Public Service District (PSD) is responsible for water, sewer, and the Inlet Bridge.

The Fripp Island Club oversees the Club facilities, which are owned and operated by the Fripp Island Golf & Beach Resort. The facilities under auspices of the Club are: the Ocean Point and Ocean Creek Golf Courses, their pro shops and meeting rooms; the Racquet Club; Recreation/Activities Center, Creek House, Wardle's Landing; Marina Store, ramp, dock, storage and pool; Cabana Club facilities; Beach Club Complex which includes the Sand Bar, Olympic and Adult Pool and surrounding areas; Bonito Boathouse Restaurant; the 19th Hole; Ocean Point Grill and the Ocean Point pool.

Membership in the Club consists of individuals who pay an initiation fee and annual dues. Membership makes the private Club facilities available to the Club members and their guests.

The Community Centre is the hub for organization and club meetings such as the Women's Club, the Audubon Club, the Yacht Club and Friend's of Music. It is also home to weekly Bingo and Duplicate Bridge games as well as Mah Jongg, the Artist's Guild and Yoga. The All Faiths Chapel is home to the Wednesday night Vesper Services. The Community Centre is the venue for many fundraisers, concerts, and weddings.

I hope this clears up some of the confusion you may have. The FIPOA has no control over food service, and the Resort has nothing to do with Security! If you have a rutted gravel road, call me. If you have trouble getting a pass for your guest, call Chief Binkowski. If you have problems with your Club card, call the Resort. If your water line breaks, call the Public Service District. Your property assessments are not connected to the amenities; and your Club dues do not have any connection to the services you receive from the FIPOA. And neither has anything to do with Beaufort County property taxes!

If you are still confused, my staff and I have always been available to answer your questions, and we always will be.

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Splinters from the Board

Carol Young, Administrative Assistant

At the November 13 meeting, the Board approved Resolution 561, to adopt the 2011 calendar year budget; with no changes to the annual assessment and to continue the special Road & Bridge Fund assessment. Also approved was Resolution 564, to appoint Wayne Kemmerer (Chair), Micki McCormick (Board Member), Carrie Catlin, Page Miller, Bob Newby, Chuck Tarczynski and Karen Wolbrink to the 2010-2011 Nominating Committee. Three resident and one non-resident Directors are to be elected for the Class Year 2014. A report from the ad hoc Home Based Business Committee was read into the record; a final report will be forthcoming.



Holiday serenade at the FIPOA office

At the December 11 meeting, the Board approved Resolution 563, to exempt sailboats left on the beach with prior permission from the Chief of Security and input from the head of the Turtle Patrol.

We received a total of 798 responses to the Financial Survey, which is a 37% return.

To see the General Manager's report and full minutes of these and other FIPOA meetings, please go to <http://www.fipoa.org/minutes.html>.

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FIPOA Board Meeting Schedule

February 12, 2011 - 9:00 am at the
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(This schedule is subject to change.)
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ISLAND SERVICES

CHIEF'S CORNER

Security Chief Mike Binkowski

It is the start of a new year, and I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the support you have shown our department. With your continued help, we will persist in keeping Fripp an enjoyable and safe place to live and play.

In May of 2010, our part-time parking and beach officer began patrolling the assigned areas. As a result of the program, there were far less parking problems reported and those that were reported were handled swiftly. As for the beach, our office received nothing but compliments on the beach appearance. We look forward to the same results in 2011.

Several other pro-active initiatives were started last year in addition to the beach and parking officer: the notification of prom and spring break dates resulted in reduced incidents of vandalism, larcenies, and disturbances; and drivers' license spot checks that are conducted at the Security Gate; and our new Wildlife Information sheets with the Rules and Regulations given to all guests that came thru the Gate.

We saw an increase of vehicular traffic entering the island in 2010; however, we did not see the associated problems that usually come with the increase. I believe that this is a result of higher visibility of our patrol units and better education of our guests.

Our goal at the Fripp Island Security is to provide a safe environment for homeowners and guests. This is only possible with your cooperation and participation. If you see something or hear something that is out of the ordinary, call us at 838-2334 anytime, day or night. We will respond with an officer and determine the situation. Don't let the sight of something out of the ordinary slip by. Don't say, "It's not my problem." Security needs your eyes and ears out there. We encourage your calls!

If you have any ideas or suggestions to improve our services or the quality of life on the island, please contact me. I welcome you to stop by my office to discuss your ideas or any problems you may be experiencing. As always, if you have questions or suggestions, do not hesitate to contact me at 838-7725 or via e-mail at fipoasec@islc.net.

THE FRIPP SECURITY OFFICERS WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE OWNERS WHO GENEROUSLY DONATED TO THE CHRISTMAS FUND THIS YEAR. YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO MAKE THIS CHRISTMAS A VERY, VERY SPECIAL ONE! THEY WOULD ALSO LIKE TO EXTEND A HEARTFELT THANK YOU TO KAY SANTONI FOR ORGANIZING THE FUND AND COLLECTING THE MONEY.

MEET YOUR FIREMAN

Fire Chief Joshua Horton

Happy New Year! This month I would like to introduce you to Firefighter Donnie Smith. Donnie has been a firefighter his entire adult life. He is one of the first three firefighters ever hired at the Lady's Island St. Helena Fire District. It was with Donnie that I learned a lot when I was a volunteer. I would spend my required time at the station when Donnie was working, and we hit it off well. Thanks for all you have taught me, "Aight Son."



Donnie has been with us since 2005, and he is always here! Donnie works and works and works. He loves the Fire Service; it is his second family.

Donnie enjoys hunting with his son Jackson in Tennessee, and is always working on something outdoors when he is not at work.

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ISLAND CLUBS

Fripp Island Friends of Music

LOMAZOV & RACKERS

IN PERFORMANCE AT FRIPP ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE

JANUARY 30TH AT 5 pm

Linda Freeman

January brings an exciting concert to Fripp...world-class pianists, each famous in their own right, will play solo and will sit together at the keyboard to play four-handed. This year's Friends of Music selection committee was excited to book such incomparable talent. Concertgoers will enjoy their artistry, masterful technique and a performance that has been described as mesmerizing—in short...don't miss this one!



The Lomazov & Rackers piano duo drew attention in 2005 as the Second Prize Winners of the Sixth Biennial Ellis Duo Piano Competition, the only national competition for piano duo in the United States at that time. Since then, they have performed as recitalists and in concert with orchestras throughout the United States and Europe.

In 2009, they were named to the International Roster of Steinway Artists. Recent and upcoming engagements include performances with the Chernigov Symphony Orchestra (Ukraine), Lucas Theatre in Savannah, Georgia, performances and Master classes at Arizona State University, University of Colorado, the Music at Penn Alps Concert series in Maryland, the Augusta Symphony Orchestra Columbia County Concert Series in Georgia, the Central Oregon Symphony Concert Series, and performances as soloists with the University of South Carolina Symphony Orchestra, among many others.

Well, now they can add Fripp Island to that list!

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Fripp Island Women's Club

Betsy Koehler

Happy New Year 2011!!! Hope all your holidays were safe and fun and not too cold!!

Our book collection in December was very successful. We were able to donate hundreds of children's books to the "Born to Read" organization which gives them to all newborns and their siblings at Beaufort Memorial Hospital. This is certainly a worthy cause, as early readers become lifetime readers!

The Women's Club has interesting programs planned for you in the next few months. Join us on Wednesday, January 19 to meet three of Fripp's hidden artists for "Fripp Has Talent." We'll learn how they do what they do and have a chance to purchase some of their works of art!!

Our meeting on February 16 will highlight the Franciscan Center with Sister Sheila Byrne, who does amazing work on St. Helenas Island. We will be having a used clothing drive, and a Fashion Show using the donated items!!

New members and visitors are always welcome at our meetings, on the third Wednesdays at 10:00 AM at the Fripp Island Community Center.

And meetings are always followed by a social hour with scrumptious homemade sweets and savories! Please come out and join us!

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COMMUNITY CENTRE

DAN McCORMICK & FRIENDS

Linda Freeman

December 4th brought yet another “Fripp First” – Elvis appeared!! But more about that later.

Recognizing the Community Centre sound system needed updating, the Boards of Friends of Music and the Community Centre decided to jointly sponsor a benefit concert to raise money for the much-needed improvements. And as they have done in the past, they turned to a hugely talented Fripper, Dan McCormick.

Dan produced a gala holiday show that was extraordinary. He played piano and keyboard and entertained us with his considerable vocal talents. On stage with Dan were Phil Weber on trombone, guitarist Jim

Rein, and Rush Burkhardt playing bass and mandolin. Vocals were performed by Linda Burchfield, Teresa Hergert and Curt Blake. And, as always, with any Friends of Music concert, a scrumptious reception by Harold’s Catering followed the event.

Everyone agreed that it was a memorable performance, not only for the talent of our Fripp friends, but also for the warmth of the feeling of community that enveloped the audience. It shouldn’t surprise anyone that it was a sold out event. Thanks to the tremendous community support, almost \$2000 was raised for that new sound system.

Oh yes...Elvis. Well, if you were there...you saw him! Did we ever! The burning question is...when will he appear next?

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ISLAND SPORTS

Fripp Island Women’s Nine-Hole Golf Group

Ronnie Price

December was not a great golf month! Christmas golf and luncheon with the 18 Hole Women’s Group was scheduled for December 14th. The golf was canceled due to the COLD weather! However, we all enjoyed the good food, fun games, and getting to mix with the 18-hole golfers.

A few days later, December 18th the Santa Claus Tournament was canceled due to the cold weather!

We are planning on a much warmer January—we will be playing at Ocean Point for the first month of 2011:



- 1/06 – Scramble and lunch at the Grill
- 1/13 – Bingo-Bango-Bongo
- 1/20 – Bear Creek
- 1/27 – Least Putts

On March 9th we are hosting the Community Centre Dinner with the Nine Hole Men’s Group. You can sign up to set-up, cook, or clean up on our web page. You can also sign up for Thursday play, and get

more details on upcoming events on our new web page—
<http://www.fripper.com/golfhandicapreport/FIW9.aspx>
Come and join the fun—

ISLAND SPORTS CONT.



Fripp Island Men's Golf Association (MGA)

PJ Fineis

Monday, November 1st, started our fourth Major Member/Member Tournament, and congratulations to Duffy Howard and Perminder Bindra as this year's winners. This is a two-day tournament and they are the proud recipients of the "MGA Member/Member Red Blazer." Below are the final results for the two-day tournament:

Members Name	1 st , Round Low Net	2 nd , Round 2-Ball Low Net	Total Both Rounds	Award
Duffy Howard & Perminder Bindra	62	135	197	Red Blazer
Charlie Richman & Gerry Burke	64	142	206	\$50 Pro Shop Cr.
Jim Quarforth & John Reaves	64	145	209	\$25 Pro Shop Cr.

Congratulations to the above winners, and pictured below are Duffy and Perminder with all our past Red Blazer winners



November was the first month to go live with the MGA sign up online. Thanks to Wayne Kemmerer and to 31 of the 40 members playing November 8th who signed up on the website. For those members who have not received the website address, it is: <http://www.fripper.com/golfhandicapreport/fimga.aspx>.

Play for the month of November was at Ocean Creek with game coordinators John Crews and Jim Parks. On Monday the 8th, we played "Reverse Bear Creek" and with a first place score of 130, winners were John Reaves, Jim Quarforth, Bob Newby, and Jahn Michael each receiving a \$17.00 pro shop credit. On the 15th, the game was two low net, and Rich Assaf, Tom Hindes, Jim Parks, and Terry Oliver each won \$19.75 pro shop credit with a net score of 116. Monday the 22nd was the "Annual Turkey Shoot & Annual Meeting". First place winners were Lou Meek, Rich Assaf, Steve Ranieri, and Jim Ruff winning \$24.75 in pro shop credits and a Thanksgiving Turkey. Proximity award winners were John Crews, Jay Hillebrand, Phil Weber, Rick Friesen, and Ben Hays. Our Annual Meeting included the nomination and approval of our 2011 Board: President, Paul

Hummer, Vice President & Treasurer, Rick Keup, Co-Event & Tournament Directors Jay Hillebrand and Gene Bergh. This is a strong team, which should deliver a great program in 2011. On Monday the 29th, we wrapped up November with "Powerball" winners Mike Marusha, Ken Smith, Gene Bergh, and Howard Harmon each winning \$20.75 in pro shop credits.

December play changed to a 9:00 AM start time at Ocean Point with game coordinators Don Brink and John Dunphy. Our game on Monday the 6th was "Beat the Pro" and the Pros faired quite well. Final results for 25 twosomes playing against the pros were 12 winning teams, and 13 losing teams. Very evenly matched and always a good time. We have this event four times a year, and would like to thank all the pros and our Director of Golf, Char Cormier for their involvement.

On behalf of the MGA, we would like to thank the entire golf staff at both courses for your help and assistance throughout the year. You have been a significant part of our success in 2010, and it has not gone unnoticed. Thank you for all you have done.

New Owners 10/30/10 thru 12/29/10

Todd & Allison Baker, Grosse Pointe, MI
Leslie & Linda Gregory, Westerville OH
Gregory & Judy Nelson, Kingsport TN
Randy & Mary Thomas, Monroe NC
David & Ann Webber, Simpsonville SC

ISLAND SPORTS CONT.

Nine-Hole Men's Golf Group

Dana Dudley

The weather was uncooperative for the last month or so, but we were able to play most weeks despite delays.

Weekly tournament winners included: George Barnett, Jim Parks, Ron Pointek, Jim Patek, Gary Bond, Mike Ashby, Ron Grabarczyk, Mike Jahn, Wayne Kemmerer, Jim Price, Perminder Bindra, Jim Connell, Bob Smith, Duffy Howard, Ralph Burchfield, Tom Hunter, Mike Virostek, Mike Wilt, Rusty Prophater, Dick Briggs, Ed Smith, Don Brink, and Ed Hroncich.

Game coordinators were Mike Virostek for November and Brian Jordan for December.

On Tuesday, November 16th, nineteen of our members went to Callawassie. Two members of Fripp were paired with two members of the Callawassie group playing two best balls net. Lunch followed and the hospitality of the Callawassie group was wonderful. Most of the Fripp group enjoyed a second nine in the afternoon. We will host the Callawassie group on Fripp this coming spring.

Upcoming events are: **January 2011**—Off Island Outing
March 16—Callawassie at Fripp **April**—Fripp at Dataw
October—Dataw at Fripp **November**—Fripp at Callawassie

In conjunction with the Fripp Woman's 9-Hole Group, we are sponsoring the March 7, 2011, Community Centre Dinner. More details will come later, but many volunteers will be needed. You can sign up on the 9-Hole website under Special Events.

Our membership continues to grow and the group totals 63 players. Join us for a relaxed round of golf every Wednesday morning. All players are welcome. Sign up on the 9-Hole website (below) by Tuesday noon. The website has been modified to prevent members from sign up after 12 PM Tuesday. After January 1st only the website will be used for sign up. The sign up sheet at the Creek will be discontinued at that time, as well as the call in sign up. The website can be used for both regular and special event sign up and provides additional information on all of our activities.

<http://www.fripp.com/golfhandicapreport/fi9.aspx>

Fripp Island Women's Golf Association

Sandy Buschur

The FIWGA wishes all of you a very Happy New Year, and a great 2011. Have you made any new resolutions that include golf? If you are not playing with the FIWGA or the Nine-Hole league, now is the time to change that!

There were many cancellations due to unusually bad weather during the months of November and December, but we did have some noteworthy events. The Member-Member Tournament was played on November 2nd & 9th; the winners were Bev Fineis and Joan Burke, and the runners-up were Dana Whittle and Jan Pringle. Congratulations, Ladies, and especially to Dana who made a hole-in-one that day on #8 at the Ocean Creek Course.

The annual Awards Luncheon was held on November 16th where the winners of the 2010 tournaments were recognized and awarded lovely keepsakes. The winners of the earlier tournaments are Barb Fuerst and runner-up Cathy Keup for the Memorial Tournament. The Fripp Cup was won by Pat Howard and Kathryn Woolley; Kathryn was also the FIWGA 2010 Championship winner with Cathy Keup as runner-up. The first and second net winners of their divisions in this tournament were Ann Warner, Jan Pringle, Pat Howard, Nancy Connell, Joyce Zanone, Sue Ranieri, Teresa Hergert, and Sandy Buschur.

On December 14th, the 9-Hole ladies joined us for a wonderful Holiday luncheon, and a fun game of Trivial Pursuit, golf being cancelled.

Coming up in January will be the opening luncheon and meeting for the new Board. On February 15th, we will be inviting the MGA to join us for a round of golf, and a spectacular lunch prepared by us...just to let those guys know that our talents are not only on the golf course.

This year's Memorial Tournament is scheduled for March. If you are interested in joining the FIWGA or have questions, call Linda Ashby at 838-9065.



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BOATING & FISHING

155 KIDS BRAVE WIND AND RAIN AT KIDS FISHING TOURNAMENT

Captain Ralph Goodison

The wind and rain did not stop 155 kids from the 11th annual Fripp Island Thanksgiving Kids Fishing Tournament. Fishing poles were everywhere on and around Fripp Island. November 26th, “Black Friday,” was not black for the parents who spent the day fishing with their kids.

The tournament is a great way to enjoy some time with the children. They ranged in age from 4 to 15 years, and the cool day warmed your heart to see the little ones catching plenty of fish. Everybody received prizes and hats and the prizewinners won trophies and fishing rods. Marina Director Lewis Turner thanked the Fripp Island Yacht Club and The Fripp Company for their financial support. He also thanked US Food Service and J&R Ice Cream for their participation.

The kids were the real winners, with Nick Smith winning the largest Red Drum at 5.5 lbs., Dee DeBenedetto 2nd at 5.4 lbs, and Jan Mackey 3rd at 4.85 lbs. Gage Davidson won the largest Trout at 1.85 lbs, 2nd was Cube Cronin at 1.3 lbs, and 3rd was Macy Lupo at 1.1 lbs. The largest Flounder was caught by Mallory Harmon at 3.3 lbs, 2nd was Michael Fulghon at 3.3 lbs, and 3rd was Madison Harmon at 2.85 lbs. The largest Black Drum was caught by Raymond Spann at 7.85 lbs, Patrick Myer 2nd at 4.4 lbs, and Mitchell Russell 3rd at 4.3 lbs. In the Other category, Kelly Lynch caught a 3.2 lbs Croaker, 2nd was Jen Mackey with a 2.75 lbs Croaker, and Alley Mackey 3rd with a 2.55 lb. Croaker. In reading the winners, you will note many of the fishermen were actually fisherwomen.

Lewis Turner, BJ Parrish, Nate Crystal, Motte Rogers and the Fripp Island Yacht Club thank the parents for their support of the Kids Tournament.



2011 FISHING SEASON LOOKS GOOD

Captain Ralph Goodison

The 2010 fishing season is history, and it had good points and some bad. The bad: many windy days slowing offshore fishing; tournaments were down in the number of boats and participants fishing; and the numbers of Cobia and Tarpon caught were down. The good: inshore and offshore fishing.

The 2011 fishing season is looking good. SC DNR states early estimates of inshore and offshore fishing are looking for a good year. Currently the water is cold and a good bet inshore are Sheepshead and Black bass offshore. The Marina staff is preparing for a banner year and again will provide excellent service to our boaters and fishermen.

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