



# The Pilot



## Monthly Newsletter of the Lake Hartwell Boating Club

**Innovation, Education, Community**

### From the Bridge - Billy Owens

I am taking over the "From The Bridge" this month to talk about our Boating Activities this year.

As most of you know we have already had several events .

Our Shakedown was a success with many VSC's performed. We also had a great time eating and socializing at the Boat House.

At the next outing, we ended up with a little impromptu raft out. Seems several of us were anchored in Party Cove listening to a band play on a dock. Next thing you know there are seven of our Club's boats tied up and having a blast while listening to the live music.

The Memorial Day Float Bob and Sip was well attended. It was a great day! Check out the pictures elsewhere in this issue.

There's a lot to look forward to this month. The Independence Day Raft out is on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, see the details further down.

The Cooper River Run is the 16<sup>th</sup> – the 18<sup>th</sup>. I have never personally done this before and I am really looking forward to it!

When you come out to one of these activities you will notice that we are getting more and more guests joining in on the fun and getting some new members too! This is a great way to show the boating public who we are. Most of these boaters have been on the lake for years, not knowing anything about us. Thanks to all that come out to enjoy the water with others, you are also helping us to promote our Boat Club!

PS In case you missed it, here is the link to the Vessel Safety Course [VSE Course](#)

## Calendar of Events

### ***LHS&PS Calendar of Events***

#### **July**

10 Lake Jocassee VSC  
13 Executive Committee Meeting  
16-18 Cooper River Run

#### **August**

10 Executive Committee Meeting

#### **September**

14 Executive Committee Meeting



### **Our Bridge**

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#### **Nominating Committee**

Chris Rose, SN 1 Yr  
Lynn Solesbee, AP 2 Yrs  
Billy Owens, AP 3 Yrs

<b>Martin Boswell</b>	<b>07/01</b>
<b>Owen Kraft</b>	<b>07/01</b>
<b>Jack Linder</b>	<b>07/01</b>
<b>Priscilla Taylor</b>	<b>07/05</b>
<b>Alexandra Goodman</b>	<b>07/06</b>
<b>Stefan Zollinger</b>	<b>07/08</b>
<b>Angela Lockman</b>	<b>07/09</b>
<b>Moss Stone</b>	<b>07/11</b>
<b>Dennis Kraft</b>	<b>07/17</b>
<b>Melissa Solesbee</b>	<b>07/19</b>
<b>Kathy Riehm</b>	<b>07/20</b>
<b>Henry Schmitt</b>	<b>07/27</b>
<b>Rachael Parr</b>	<b>07/28</b>



## Independence Day Raft Out 2021



Come out and join us on Saturday, July 3rd for our Independence Day raft out.

We will have BBQ, slaw, and chips for everyone around 3ish. You can bring a side or appetizer to share if you like, and of course your beverage of choice. Later, those that want to can cruise to Big Water Marina to watch the firework show.

There will also be firework shows all around the lake. Last year we found a good one just before the I-85 bridge.

We are located at S-40, all the way back in the cove (starboard), the address is 909 Snug Harbor, Anderson, SC.

Billy Owens

## Exploring the San Juan Islands of Washington State

After many years of owning a boat, Chris Rose and I decided to sell ours and join the Freedom Boat Club. No maintenance, no storage fees, no trailering but the ability to pick up a boat for use at over 200 locations across the country was very appealing.



Several years ago, we had talked about a trip to the San Juan Islands and renting a boat, so before joining I searched all of Freedom Boat Club's locations.

Anacortes, gateway to the San Juan's sounded perfect for our first adventure.

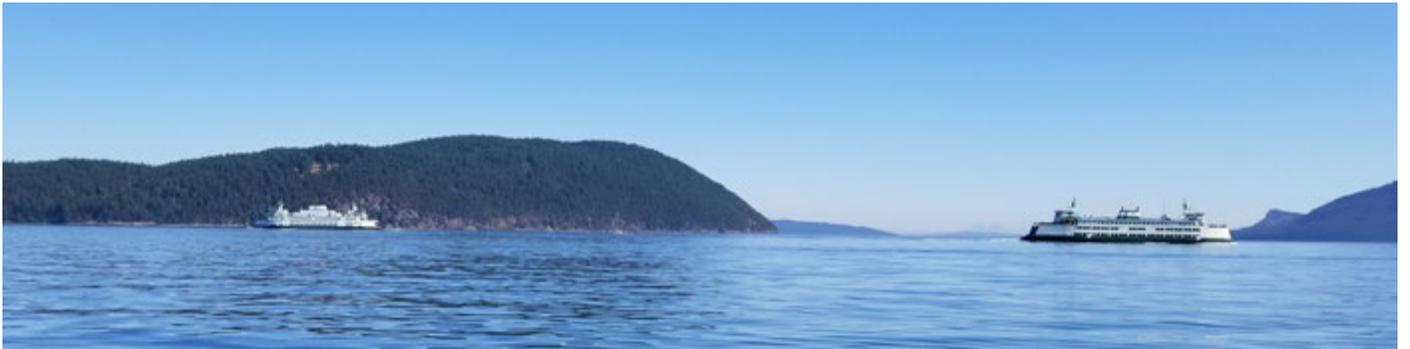
I have to admit, Chris wasn't sold on the idea at first, being used to "his own boat" but it was love at first sight for the 21 foot Jeanneau.

Her name was Island Hopper, she was sparkling clean and well equipped with all the safety equipment, including a hand held radio and a good sized GPS on the dash. He was sold.

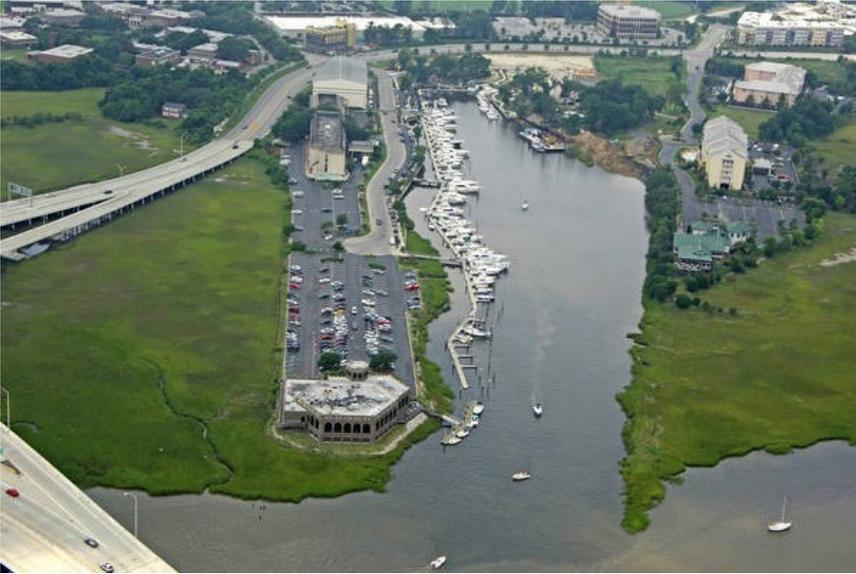




For me, the view of Mt Rainier while cruising was worth the price of the membership!! Can't wait for the next adventure!  
Nioka Rose



# COOPER RIVER RUN



We have the date

July 16-18

We have the marina

Ripley Light Yacht Club  
843)-766-0908

And we are working on the Hotel as this is being typed.

Our tentative plans are to meet up at the Hills Landing launch site Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> at noon. Then, we'll head down the Diversion Canal through the Pinopolis Lock and on down the Cooper River.

Each boat will be assigned some Co-Op Charting to do on the ride down.

We will be docking at Ripley Light Yacht Club. Dinner that night will be on your own. There is a California Dreaming at the marina, (our hotel will be within walking distance too!).

Saturday morning, we will meet up at the marina and each boat will get a Co-Op assignment. These will be easy and not time consuming as we will meet for lunch somewhere on the water around 1 or 2ish. After that you can play on the water, take a nap, or hang out by the pool.

We are going to have a group dinner Saturday night somewhere to be determined in downtown Charleston.

Sunday morning, we will head back up river and do a few more inspections. We are planning to stop for lunch just before the lock.

This should be a great trip!

Billy Owens

I knew we were going to have a good raft out ...

When we pulled into the cove at 1:05, four boats were already tied up. While the ride over was a little chilly, the day turned out to be perfect for hanging out and socializing. The temperature of the water kept most of us dry for the day.

A light breeze kept spinning the raft around in circles. While it felt great it did sorta twist up our anchor lines. Not bad enough to have to use a knife, but we did have to do a little "untying".

Over the day we had 7 member boats and a total of 17 or 18 boats. We even pulled in a new member and several others were asking for info on our Club.

We will be having another Float Bob and Sip soon, so keep a eye out and try to come and join in on the fun!



Billy Owens

## Lake Hartwell Boating Club Welcomes New Members Rachael Parr and Glenn Bedington



Rachael Parr and Glenn Bedingfield joined the boating club in March of 2021 after their neighbors, who are already members, told Rachael about the events and benefits of joining.

The couple built a home on Lake Hartwell 4 years ago. They are from Athens Georgia, where they live on a farm. Rachael's family lives in South Carolina and she spends a lot of time at the lake with her grown children, granddaughter and friends.

Rachael is semi-retired from public education and currently serves as a part time Site Director of Foothills Charter School in Commerce Georgia.

Glenn owns a Landscaping Company in Gwinnett County, Georgia. He loves fishing when he is not working. The couple has been married seven years and have four boys between them.

The couple own two boats and enjoy being on the lake as much as possible and spending time with friends and family. They are looking forward to meeting people in the boating club with similar interests.

## Lake Hartwell Boating Club Welcomes New Members Chuck and Kathy Riehm



Chuck and Kathy Riehm are thrilled to be a part of the boating club. They built in the Teakwood subdivision in 2018, although they had a weekend lake house prior to that up the river in Martin Creek.

They raised our now adult children, Ali and Tim, in Easley before moving to the lake permanently in 2018. They love boating and surfing on their Centurion. Their beloved mini golden doodle, Piper, loves boating too

During the week, Chuck works as a computer software director at ISS in Seneca and Kathy can be found calling on Psychiatrists in Greenville as a pharmaceutical sales representative with Sunovion.

They love the Lake Life ☐

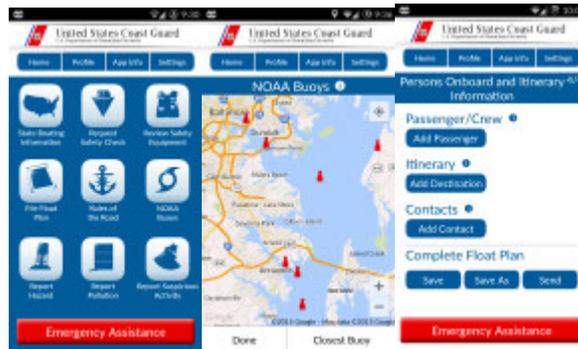
# The U.S. Coast Guard Mobile App

The USCG Boating Safety App features include:

- Find the latest safety regulations
- Request a vessel safety check
- Check your safety equipment
- File a float plan
- Navigation Rules
- Find the nearest NOAA buoy
- Report a hazard
- Report pollution
- Report suspicious activity
- Request emergency assistance

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<https://uscgboating.org/mobile/>



As the nation's recreational boating safety coordinator, the Coast Guard works to minimize loss of life, personal injury, property damage, and environmental harm. Our boating safety program involves public education programs, regulation of boat design and construction, approval of boating safety equipment, and vessel safety checks for compliance with federal and state safety requirements. The Coast Guard Mobile App supports these missions by providing the essential services and information most commonly requested by boaters.

Features of the app include: state boating information; a safety equipment checklist; free boating safety check requests; navigation rules; float plans; and calling features to report pollution or suspicious activity. When location services are enabled, users can receive the latest weather reports from the closest National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather buoys as well as report the location of a hazard on the water.

The app also features an Emergency Assistance button which, with locations services enabled, will call the closest Coast Guard command center.

The Boating Safety Mobile app was not designed to replace a boater's marine VHF radio, which the Coast Guard strongly recommends all boaters have aboard their vessels. The app was mainly designed to provide additional boating safety resources for mobile device users.

The app is self-contained, so personal information is stored on the phone and is not sent to the Coast Guard unless the user chooses to send it. The Coast Guard does not track a user's location, and the app does not track a user's location unless the app is being used.

# A Shakedown After Service Can Prevent An Emergency

Sometimes we can have a false sense of security going offshore after having our boat serviced. We place trust in the competence of the service provider that may not be completely well founded. Following is a lesson learned that fortunately ended well. We'll also review a few related factors that should be addressed before going offshore.

## Loss Of Watertight Integrity

After receiving his boat back from marina service, a skipper hosted a crew of fishermen for a day of offshore fishing. The weather deteriorated, and the party headed back to port, through following seas. After a while, the boat started to bog down; there was no question there was water in the hull.

The skipper discovered that the bilge pump would not turn on manually, so he resorted to running at 4000 rpm, causing a bit of a beating, but effective at limiting the inflow. He was now 15 miles from shore. The skipper took the precaution of double-checking PFD use by all aboard and prepared to call USCG and Seatow if the situation got any worse.

Fortunately, the boat arrived at the boat ramp. With no power applied, the stern settled, and water was well over ankle deep in the cockpit. The crew was able to recover the boat on the trailer. With the drain plug pulled, the boat eventually drained successfully.

## Causes And Lessons

The marina mechanic had worked on the bait well, detailed the boat and installed new batteries. The cause of the swamping turned out to be a clogged bilge pump combined with waterline scuppers. Prior to departure, the skipper did not check the condition of the bilge pump, which had been clogged by leaves when the boat was detailed.

There were some other factors that needed correction for safe offshore voyaging.

1. There was only one electric bilge pump and no manual pump was on board.
2. The boat had one other through-hull fitting besides the drain plug, that being the bait well inlet.
3. Before going offshore the owner did not check the sea cock on the bait well inlet. While not an excuse or a cause of the swamping, the boat had extremely poor access to the bilge fittings.
4. While offshore, there was no attempt to gain access to the bilge to discover the source of the leak. It could have been a hose that needed reconnecting or a hose clamp that needed tightening or replacement.
5. The skipper did not call in his situation to the Coast Guard and set up a communications schedule.
6. Mechanics are notorious for getting in a rush and not checking everything around their work area for plumbing or electrical faults before returning the boat to the owner. A shakedown cruise is absolutely necessary after service before going offshore.
7. Before leaving the dock, the skipper should test operation of all the pumps and be sure to check the bilge for any leaks.
8. Someone aboard should bring a ditch bag, making sure there are unexpired flares, a first aid kit, portable navigation and communications units with fresh batteries and spares.
9. All boats going offshore should add a high water alarm to the bilge unless already equipped and even so, be sure to check the bilge often.



# Bilge Access

Boat owners should give some attention to the access ports provided. The common “pie plate” access ports often pop loose or leak as a result of a hardened o-ring or gasket. These are often too small to be of any use when having to work in the bilge during an emergency, let alone at the dock. All too often, inspection ports are positioned and considered by manufacturers to be construction aids rather than real-life operational necessities. The prudent skipper will add functionally sized ports where needed for safe operation and easy maintenance.

Be very careful going offshore in any boat that drains lockers, bait wells or scuppers into the bilge. We covered these risks [in an earlier post](#).

## Reference:

<https://www.thehulltruth.com/boating-forum/1091853-almost-needed-epirb-safety-first-2.html>

## Learn about DAN Boater Safety and Travel Benefits

America's Boating Club has partnered with DAN Boater to offer safety and travel benefits to our members. Your new benefits include an emergency hotline, a nonemergency medical information line, worldwide medical evacuation, medical repatriation, search and rescue expenses, and much more.

Visit [www.danboater.org/abc](http://www.danboater.org/abc) to get complete details on this valuable benefit program and print your DAN Boater benefits card.



Have your certificate number and PIN handy when logging in.

You can find details about all DAN Boater benefits, including coverage amounts, in the DAN Boater Benefits Handbook. If you have questions not answered in the handbook, call the DAN Boater Member Support Team at 919-490-2011.

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# Lake Hartwell Boating Club

## Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2021

### Call to Order

A quorum was established  
Charles Guderian lead the invocation  
Billy Owens lead the Pledge of Allegiance  
Minutes of the April Ex Com meeting were approved

**Ad-Hoc Committees** No Report

### Department Reports

Commander – Pete Stevenson No report

Past Commander – Billy Owens No report

Treasurer – Jim Bolding \$3142 in bank. Jim combined 2 CDS maturing in May into 3 - 6 month CD until rates improve.

Administration-Nioka Rose

#### Membership

It is recommended that we start to look for candidates for the new bridge.  
Nioka is asking for articles for the next Pilot.  
Jef will conduct an on the water training session on how to check bouys and ranges.

Education – Bert Baxter - unable to attend -Nioka found that the free ABC Manuals are still available, 20 per squadron. They will be shipped to us free of charge. Bert has access to order them through the 800 system.

Executive – Charles Guderian discussed possibility of in person meetings in June, still to be determined. New members: Glenn Bedingfield, Rachel Parr, Chuck & Cathy Riehm, It was decided to order new members name tags and pins.

Secretary – Craig McQueen

Sunshine Committee No Report

Poinsett Pilot – Monthly Pilot articles due by the 20<sup>th</sup>

FTB Pete, Boating Activity Billy, Safety Charles,

Members at Large –Chris Rose, Don Woodard No report

Old Business No report

New Business No Report

**The next meeting** - will be at 6:45 pm on Tuesday, June 9, 2021 by Free Conference Call.

Adjourn at 8:00 pm

Submitted by Craig McQueen

# Ship's Store



## Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo.

Port Authority Rapid Dry Polo. Soft and breathable, this baby pique polo has our exclusive Rapid Dry moisture-wicking technology. This unique knit has a soft inner layer which wicks moisture away from your skin to the shirt's surface where it quickly disperses and evaporates. 5.6-ounce, 60/40 cotton/poly Double-needle stitching throughout 3-button placket Pearlized buttons Open hem sleeves Side vents

**Price \$26.00**

Colors: White; Classic Navy; Dark Green; Royal; Jet Black; Red; Charcoal; Seafoam; Stone; Riviera Blue; Boysenberry Pink;

Moroccan Blue; Dusty Purple

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL; 5XL; 6XL



## Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat.

Port Authority Outdoor Wide-Brim Hat. Trail-ready, this high-performance essential features No Fly Zone insect repellent technology, UPF 30+ sun protection, a concealable sun flap and a moisture wicking sweatband. The foam brim keeps it afloat in water. Fabric: 75/25 poly/nylon rip stop Structure:

Unstructured Features: Adjustable cord at crown, clip-on and adjustable drawcord

**Price \$20.00**

Colors: Coffee Cream; Olive Leaf; Stone

Sizes: S/M; L/XL



## Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt.

Sport-Tek 1/4-Zip Sweatshirt. These durable, colorfast quarter-zips feature a better fit with minimal shrinkage, as well as 2x2 rib knit cuffs and waistband. 9-ounce, 65/35 ring spun combed cotton/poly fleece Twill-taped neck 2x2 rib knit cuffs and hem with spandex \*Please note: This product is transitioning from woven labels to tag-free labels. Your order may contain a combination of both labels

**Price \$31.00**

Colors: Athletic Heather; Black; Forest Green; Graphite Heather; Maroon; True Navy; True Red; True Royal; Vintage Heather; White

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4X

## Ship's Store



### **Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt.**

Eddie Bauer - Long Sleeve Fishing Shirt. Designed with the needs of fishermen in mind--but equally comfortable anywhere--this shirt has all the bells and whistles: a built-in rod holder, two large fly box pockets, utility loop and more. 3.5-ounce, 100% cotton poplin 100% polyester mesh upper back lining Built-in rod holder Two large fly box pockets with hook and loop closures Zippered chest pocket Utility loop and tool holder Cape back with mesh ...

**Price \$47.00**



### **Eddie Bauer - Short Sleeve Fishing Shirt.**

Eddie Bauer - Short Sleeve Fishing Shirt. Designed with the needs of fishermen in mind--but equally comfortable anywhere--this shirt has all the bells and whistles: a built-in rod holder, two large fly box pockets, utility loop and more. 3.5-ounce, 100% cotton poplin 100% polyester mesh upper back lining Built-in rod holder Two large fly box pockets with hook and loop closures Zippered chest pocket Utility loop and tool holder Cape back with mesh...

**Price \$41.00**

Colors: Blue Gill; Driftwood; Goldenrod Yellow; Seagrass Green; White  
Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 2XL; 3XL; 4XL



### **Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover**

Sport-Tek Ladies Sport-Wick Textured Colorblock 1/4-Zip Pullover. Contrast sleeve stripes and texture give this moisture-wicking pullover an unrivaled look. 100% polyester Gently contoured silhouette Cadet collar Tag-free label Taped neck Front and back princess seams Contrast Vislon zipper Angled chin guard for additional comfort Set-in sleeves Thumbholes to keep hands warm Open cuffs and hem Slight drop tail hem

Colors: Black/ Iron Grey; Iron Grey/ Black; Pink Raspberry/ Iron Grey; True Royal/ Black; White/ Iron Grey

Sizes: XS; S; M; L; XL; 3XL; 4XL; XXL

**Price \$33.00**

## Ship's Store



12" by 18" Burgee  
Price 26.00



4" Burgee Decal  
1.00



*For Boaters, By Boaters<sup>SM</sup>*



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