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Whazzup DUDE



The winter solstice is here DUDES, so bundle up and let's get through the OFF SEASON. When you think you're cold, just be glad we don't live any farther north. Winter time in the Lowcountry is still about having some great outdoor fun. You'll find it right here DUDE!

This issue will signify our first full year of being in publication and we thank everyone and I do mean everyone. We have to first and foremost THANK OUR EVER GROWING LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS, that make DUDE, DUDE, DUDE! That's how to use DUDE, three times consecutively in a sentence and it still make sense. We think we have hit on most of the topics DUDES love (tell us if we've missed something) and we also think we have found some of the Lowcountry's Best experts on those particular topics to share their wisdom. A SPECIAL THANKS DUDES!

Secondly, we have to **THANK OUR ADVERTISERS**, cause we could not pull this off without you guys. Hopefully, our ever growing readership of DUDE, will do us all a favor and support your businesses cause WE'RE ALL PART OF THE DUDE FAMILY! You people know who you are and just know you are appreciated. You'll be glad to know your ad rates will be grandfathered and you'll have guaranteed stock options when we go public/IPO, oh and when we go INTERNATIONAL DUDE!

Next we have to THANK THE **ISLAND PACKET/BEAUFORT GAZETTE**, **Sara Borton**, **William King** and **Morgan Bonner**, as they are the real reason we look so good in PRINT. The press Sara and company have on Buck Island Road in Bluffton is second to NONE on the east coast and William and Morgan know how to make that piece of man made amazement turn us in to what you have in your hands right now. OK, not if you downloaded your FREE PDF COPY from our website; www.dudesc.com. You see, you really don't have to wait on finding a printed copy, just know when the equinoxes and solstices roll around, another issue of DUDE will be available for you DUDES & DUDETTES to enjoy. Read it, print it out or even send it to a fellow DUDE, DUDE.

Last and certainly not least DUDE, put all the aforementioned things together and there's one thing missing, YES, OUR GRAPHICS GODDESS, **Cindy Moser**. We've worked with Cindy for many years, however the stars aligned and here we are working together again and we're dedicated to taking DUDE to the next level. I'm sure you've noticed how our looks have changed over the last few issues. WE WANT TO LOOK GOOD and thanks to many brewskis and her patience, we have what I'd like to think as one of the best looking publications in Beaufort County, OK, Southeast!

Also we have to thank **Benny Bessinger** and new staffer, **Tony Starr** for all their help in getting the word of DUDE out there and helping us get new advertisers.

As all you faithful DUDE FOLLOWERS know by now, we dedicate each issue to a DUDE and induct him into the PRESTIGIOUS DUDE HALL OF FAME. Our inductees are what make DUDE, DUDE, DUDE! There, I did it again. Joining, THE DUKE, John Wayne, James Arness, MARSHALL MATT DILLION, THE CARTWRIGHTS, BEN, Lorne Greene, ADAM, Pernell Roberts, HOSS, Dan Blocker and LITTLE JOE, Michael Landon, CLINT EASTWOOD, Dirty Harry and Western Film GOD and most recently, SLY STALONE, Rocky/Rambo, is ARNIE!

DUDE, **ARNIE PALMER** IS THE KING! If you are the KING of anything, you have a shot at the DUDE HALL OF FAME. ARNIE, IS THE KING OF GOLF. Arnold Daniel Palmer, born in Latrobe, Pennsylvania on September 10th, 1929. Certainly one of golf's greatest professionals. THE KING came into being back in the 50's and he was a trailblazer for sure DUDE. Arnie auctioned in the first

televised golf, with his friends and rest of THE BIG THREE, Jack and Gary. May see them down the road of induction to the DHOF. Arnie was inducted into the Golf Hall of Fame back in 1974 and many are wondering why it took him so long to get in to the DUDE HALL OF FAME. ARNIE is a Wake Forest Deacon, interestingly enough, that was the name of his Dad and was married to Winfried from '54 to '99 and is now married to Kathleen. ARNIE had 95 professional wins, he is a 4 TIME MASTERS CHAMPION, won the US OPEN in 1960, THE OPEN in '61 & '62 and the PGA CHAMPIONSHIP in '64, '68 and '70. Yeah, I'd say that'll do it! Arnie has become one of the best golf course designers out there and most recently redesigned Wexford Plantation and his course on Spring Island is an extra special place. WELCOME ARNIE! Congratulations my good man, you have set the perfect example for children growing up today.

Fall in Beaufort County was close to perfect DUDE. We had so much fun, attending many social events and saying hello to our friends and meeting the ever growing family of new DUDE friends. We have many photos to share with you but IT'S WINTER and time to change gears.

DUDES LOVE TO FISH! DUDE we got you covered this issue. We have our usual Fishing Beaufort County article that tells of all the great meetings we had this fall with the Beaufort and Hilton Head Island fishing clubs. **CAPTAIN JASON DUBOSE**, Head Riverpro at Oldfield, checks in with fishing for those delicious Sheepshead, **CAPTAIN TRENT MALPHRUS**, Head Pro in Palmetto Dunes, talks stalking redfish and he delivered us **THE PD SLAM** this past fall and **WADE BALES**, owner of Quality Lakes and fellow WAR EAGLE, checks in with taking care of your pond during the winter months. Great tips and don't forget to sink those Christmas Trees DUDES, fish love em.

Fall and winter is when a lot of DUDES get out there guns and GO HUNTIN. Well, our hunting articles have kind of taken a back seat to fishin but not this issue DUDE.

We were fortunate enough to have been invited by Mark Peterson of Safari International to their annual **Wounded Warrior/Wheel chair hunt** at Nemours Wildlife Foundation Plantation. What a great American experience and it gave many an opportunity to thank some of those who have been wounded in battle fighting for the freedom we enjoy today. Lots a bucks were taken during that deer hunt and many of our wounded warriors took home some great fresh venison.

Big Game Chuck Mikals takes us DUDES on a trip to Canada for some massive white tail deer. The deer up there are simply bigger and we're talking wall hangin trophies DUDE. It was nice to see grandpaw taking his grandson, Carlos on a great outdoor adventure. Nice shootin there young buck.

Speaking of bucks, thanks to our naturalist DUDE, **Marvin Bouknight** for the great cover shot, of a big Savannah wildlife refuge white tail buck chasing a young doe around. We are very fortunate to have such a great population of white tail here in the Lowcountry, however they can get out of hand as we don't have the natural predators that used to be around, such as the recently declared extinct Eastern Cougar. Deer population management is a must as we develop habitat with our homes and developments. Too many deer, no predators and more land being developed proposes a big problem. Our good friend and retired Marine, **Warren DIZ Disbrow**, Mr. TruckStencil.com himself, knows deer population management. We got to know DIZ a little better and he tells of how he and dozens of other military personnel help manage the deer population on Parris Island Marine Recruiting Depot. Interesting stuff that you might not think about that goes on at Parris Island.

Finally, on the hunting scene, we would like to welcome a new member to the DUDE FAMILY, **Jeff Dennis**, **Mr. Lowcountryoutdoors.com** himself. We met Jeff at the Wounded Warriors hunt and we realized we had a lot in common. It seems Jeff is quite the outdoor journalist as he writes of SCDNR's Wildlife Magazine and he recently got the Governor's award for wildlife journalism. Jeff and his dog take us on a Quail hunt this winter. Ah to be out in a field with your trusted dog pointing out Mr. Bob White and bagging some for dinner. Don't get much better than that DUDE. Welcome aboard Jeff. We look forward to some great articles in the future.

Ah yes, the great outdoors is what we DUDES love. Our naturalist DUDE, **Marvin Bouknight** takes us on a photo safari to Florida with his buddy and fellow outdoor/wildlife photographer, Eric Horan. WOW, talk about some great photos. While we're outdoors, we also check in with our friends from the **ETV Endowment group** and their wonderful wildlife excursions they go on. This issue they take to the last frontier, Alaska and you too can join them on an upcoming excursion they have in June to Lake Tahoe.



Arnie Palmer

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Continuing our outdoor fun this issue, we DUDES love boats, rowing and sailing. Being on the water here in the Lowcountry gives a DUDE a piece of mind that is truly hard to beat. You really feel at one with Mother Nature. We were invited by our good friend, **Paul Miller** to join a fine group of folks that is in the process of creating the **Hilton Head Island Row and Sailing Center**. WOW, what a great place this is going to be, so check out that article. While we're row, row, rowing our boats, another new DUDE FAMILY member, **David Campbell**, checks in with a great article about the Crew Teams that are training on Hilton Head Island. What a great thing for young adults to be involved with that teaches them so much about life as they will know it.

Everybody in the Lowcountry loves our Marines, so we've decided to add a new article each issue of DUDE and it will be written in conjunction with our new DUDE family member, David Campbell about the great facility, that is open to the public by the way, the **Parris Island Museum**. David works there part time and DIZ took us over for our first visit. WOW! Wait till you read some of the stories we're going to be telling you from that place. The history of our Marine Corps is really amazing and I truly believe it should be a mandatory class taught in high schools today. Like JFK said, "We can't really know where we're going until we at least know where we have been!" **To all our Marines, past, present and future, we thank you for your service to our country.** Oorah DUDES! They just received a piece of the world trade center rubble and many Marines out there have helped us get revenge for that cowardly act.

Cars, cars and more cars this issue DUDE. We want to thank the fine folks at the Hilton Head Island **Concours d' Elegance** for rolling out the red carpet for us this year. DUDE we saw some cool cars and we have many photos to share with you. Our Automotive/Nascar DUDE, **Wes Grady** checks in this issue with a couple great stories. One about his days as a Lotus race car driver and how he's trying to get his wife to buy him one for Christmas and the other about his apology for touting Kyle Busch as one of the greatest up and coming Nascar drivers. Ole Kyle showed us really what a Dingball he really is and it doesn't matter how much you win if you act like an idiot and disrespect your fellow competitors.

Also, from the wonderful world of cars, we have a great article on auto financing from our friends at **Sunset Motors** and **Auto Motor Cars of Beaufort**. Very helpful tips for you DUDES out there that don't have enough cash to buy a car. Finally, our Serviceman DUDE, **Rob Logan** checks in with Butler Chrysler Dodge Jeep Slowest Oil Change in Beaufort County. Hugh? What? They take their time and go the extra mile, so your vehicle is ready to roll, so if you're looking for the cheapest 10 minute oil change don't go there DUDE.

The Lowcountry can have some great warm winter days that allow us to get out and TEE EM UP DUDE! We never forget about golf. Our usual group of professionals check in with some pretty good tips for the off season. Head teaching pro at Sea Pines Resort, **Rick Barry** talks about exercising and hitting the driving range. **Jon**

Hundley, pro at Oldfield tells us to quit trying to be John Daly and kill the ball. Take an extra club and swing easy DUDE. **Joe Matheny**, pro at Sanctuary Golf Club talks griping the club, as it is your only contact with the club. We also have a nice story on our recent DUDE **roadtrip to The Sea Pines Resort**. Thanks to **Bobby Downs** who hooked us up with a great weekend of golf. Finally, we welcome another local professional golfer to the DUDE family, **Pete Popovich**. Pete is holding a symposium in January at Powerhouse Gym about the secrets of Club Fitting. Thanks for the tips DUDES! FORE!

Three things DUDES love; Wine, Food and Cigars. We got you covered this winter DUDE. **Winefest 2012** will be here before you know it and we have some great information on that fun filled upcoming event. If we have half as much fun as we had last year, it will be a great time for sure. **Cooking with Cooter Brown** has some good easy DUDE recipes to share with you this winter. Please send us your best recipes so we can share them with fellow DUDES. Make sure it's simple, easy and tasty. Cheddar cheese biscuits, smothered quail, lowcountry shrimp and steamed clams and oysters are all on the menu. After some great wine and fabulous food, it's great to sit down and smoke a nice cigar. Our **Cigartainer, Joe Sweigart** has done a great job with educating us DUDES about fine cigars. This issue Joe, walks us through the creation of much sought after DUDE CIGAR. Now there's a nice smoke DUDE! Thanks Joe and we even burned one down with the **Mayor of Hilton Head Island, Drew Laughlin**. Thanks for the hospitality Drew.

We also check in with our friends at **ArtWorks** and the **Arts Council of Beaufort County**. They have a great line of a some super entertainment this winter. There's some live productions coming up and I believe they are having a casting call in January. You need to go check out this great asset we are lucky to have in Beaufort. Another great asset we have in our county is our good friends at the **Coastal Discovery Museum** on Hilton Head Island at Honey Horn Plantation. Oatland Island is going to be bringing some wild animals down and this is a great thing to take children to and they also have a star gazing event that teaches us about the stars, what to look for and what they are called. I love looking at stars on a clear winter's night DUDE!

Our winter issue winds down in the usual way, an article from Oldfield's Sports Director, **Mona Ward**. Mona talks a bit of mental health for the new year. Our flooring DUDE, **Steve Fisher** checks in with the latest in stone and tile. We have the latest in **LIVE ENTERTAINMENT** in our area, as well as sharing with you our favorite, **DUDE Watering Holes**. Last and certainly not least, our FUSKIE DUDE, **Lowcountry Joe Yocius** gives us a great tale from de island mon on a cool winter morning.

As always the DUDE RIDE ends with wild and crazy **Harold's Mailbag, Photos to Harold** and **DUDES in FOCUS**. Great photos of DUDES having fun out there this fall. We hit the **Taste of Waddell**, the **Ducks Unlimited Banquet** and a few more shots from the **Concours d' Elegance** car show.

Have a great winter DUDES! Hope to see you out and about in the year 2012 and hopefully once again you've enjoyed our efforts and we've accomplished our goal of making you learn while laughing!

Later DUDES!

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FISHING BEAUFORT COUNTY

BY BRAD MCDONALD



Beaufort Sport Fishing and Diving Club

DUDES, I hope your fall fishing was as fun and as successful as mine. This fall the Beaufort Sportfishing and Diving Club met at our usual spectacular location, the Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club on Lady's Island and had a couple really great presentations we'd like to share with you.

In October we enjoyed the wisdom of local experienced Captain Danny Rourke of Tailwind Charters of Beaufort. Not only does Captain Danny run one of the best inshore charters in Beaufort County, he has also set up a fly-fishing shop in Chris Butler's Marine store on Lady's Island. Danny shared some of his secrets for stalking those Redfish and Speckled Sea Trout in the shallows inshore. It's all about presentation and some of the new rods and reels, not to mention secret lures (hint, Gulp Shrimp) Danny showed us, will surely help you succeed in increasing your catch. He reminded us not to forget tides and water temperatures, as they are equally as important. If you really want to learn more from this master look him up at; CaptDan@TailwindCharters.com or (843) 263-3863.

In November, SCDNR's Dr. Al Segars (our favorite Veterinarian) gave an amazing program on the "Human impact on wildlife in the Lowcountry." If you never had a chance to listen to one of Al's program's, do yourself a favor and try to be there, as every time I listen to him speak, I feel like I've just been to a wildlife class. According to Al, our worse enemy to our very special estuary county is storm water run off. The salinity of our waters is paramount in maintaining a healthy system that supports all our magnificent wildlife we have here in the Lowcountry. Humans need to also pay attention to being smart and being good stewards of our natural resources. Be careful with plastics,

LOWCOUNTRY BOIL BAND. Mike, Jevon Daily and fellow Boilers sure do know how to put the HILL in hillbilly music. Great to see so many locals attending to help out our under funded friends at the Waddell Mariculture Center.



SCDNR's Michael Brock, Al Segars, Mel Bell, Robert Boyles, Robert Wiggers, Julia Byrd.

This past October, DUDE contributor, Captain Jason Dubose and I attended a public meeting at the Technical College of the Lowcountry in Beaufort, put on by the Marine Resources Division of the SCDNR, about the future management of our sheepshead fishery. They discussed the biology and life history of the species, population status and potential management actions designed to insure the sustainability of this delicious fishery. Recent action by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council will likely remove sheepshead from federal management on January 1st, 2012 and turn the management over to the respective states. Since 1983, sheepshead have been managed as part of the federal Snapper Grouper complex and were included in the

aggregate 20 fish/day bag limit. Please go to SCDNR's website and take the Sheepshead Survey to help them gain information on how they are likely to manage this fishery so it does not get over fished. <http://www.dnr.sc.gov/sheepshead/> Early thoughts are that they may go with 12" minimum, a 10 per person/day limit and allowing anglers to use regular hooks. Want to learn more about catching those delicious Sheepshead, then check out Captain Jason Dubose article this issue. Sheepshead baked whole with garlic, lemon, old bay, butter...this is about as good as fish gets DUDE!

Come join our fun filled fishing clubs DUDES & DUDETTES. No only will you learn a lot, you'll manage to meet some really nice local Lowcountry folks.



don't feed the dolphins, no fresh water for the manatees, if you see a rare Wright Whale, report it immediately and stay away from it and most of all, help out our friends at SCDNR and be their eyes and ears and report something that you know is not legal and harming our natural resources. SCDNR also provided us with a new booklet they put together showing all the wonderful artificial reefs and their locations we have just off our coast for great fishing. You'd be surprised at what some of our reefs are made of off our coast; subway cars, military vehicles and even some debris from bridges.

On the Hilton Head Island side of the bridge, the fall meeting was a great gathering, THE TASTE OF WADDELL, which directly benefits Al Stokes and our very valuable resource, The Waddell Mariculture Center and their cobia, red drum and sea trout enhancement program, as well as the Port Royal Sound Foundation's adult red drum study. Special thanks to David Harter for all his hard work in putting on this great event. Attendees got to tour the facility and see what Al and his fine folks do to assist our wildlife and then meet down on the Bluff at the Waddell River House on Colleton River for an Oyster Roast and fresh Waddell Farm Raised Shrimp prepared by Michael Sigler and his fine group of chefs. Lowcountry Boil, Shrimp Chowda and Buffalo Shrimp Sliders...Don't get no fresher than that DUDE. We also enjoyed the fine bluegrass tunes of THE

The Beaufort fishing club is having it's annual fundraiser oyster roast at the Beaufort Yacht & Sailing Club on Thursday, January 12th. Get your tickets early, it's going to be a blast and it is open to the public. Remember, winter time is a good time to clean& oil your rods and reels, change line and give all your fishing gear a good cleaning and check up. Don't forget if you hook something impressive, send your high res photos to our editor, Harold, The Largemouth Bass at harold@dudesc.com and we'll share them with all the other DUDES in the Lowcountry.

Now Let's Go Bend Our Rods!

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Don Hartrick with two nice sheephead caught while fishing with Capt. Jason DuBose

SHEEPSHEAD ADDICTION



Capt. Jason DuBose and a nice winter time sheephead

BY CAPT. JASON DUBOSE

At first glance the sheephead appears to be a very unlikely candidate to top anybody's list of favorite saltwater gamefish. They don't put on amazing aerial displays when hooked like the mighty tarpon that frequent our waters during the summer months. They don't reach the sheer size or have the brute strength of cobia. Their likeness has not been featured on license plates nor have they been designated the official state fish of South Carolina like our beloved redfish. Their name and unfortunate looking dental work is very off putting to some. However, despite all these shortcomings, the wily ole' sheephead has managed to capture a special place in the hearts of most of the anglers that have spent any time in pursuit of them. I can testify to this first hand as I'm a self proclaimed sheephead junkie!

My first experiences with catching sheephead were purely accidental and really not enough to infect me with the "sheepshead bug." These isolated incidents occurred while pier fishing as a teenager in North Carolina and later while soaking live shrimp around south Florida mangroves during my time living in the Keys. The sheeps I caught were on the small side, few and far between and certainly nothing to get excited about. It was not until I moved to the Lowcountry that I really got a taste of just how good and addicting sheephead fishing can be.

My introduction to Lowcountry sheephead fishing came on a brisk February day some nine years ago shortly after moving to the area. I was on the docks of Palmetto Bay Marina on Hilton Head doing a little work on my boat when Capt. Rodney Hughes, owner of Miss Carolina Charters, came back in from a morning of fishing. As he walked past me toting a very heavy rope handled tub, I noticed four monster sized fish tails sticking over the side. The tails were gray in color and did not look like they belonged to any fish species that I was familiar with. With my curiosity getting the best of me, I followed Rodney to the cleaning table. My jaw nearly hit the dock when I saw him lay four sheephead, all in the ten to twelve pound range, out on the table.

I knew sheephead could sometimes grow to sizes in the teens but I really had no idea it was possible to catch multiple ones in that range on a single trip. To top it off, the four fish on the cleaning table were only a handful of the dozens of nice size sheeps that Capt. Rodney's clients had caught that day. Right then and there, I knew I had to try this fishery for myself.

Luckily for me Capt. Rodney is one of the nicest guys you'll ever meet and he gave me some good information on the basics of sheephead fishing, then pointed me in the right direction. The very next day, armed with a bucket of fiddler crabs and some light tackle spinning gear, I made my way out to one of the many nearshore artificial reefs that dot our coast. After getting anchored and properly positioned over the structure, I sent my first china back fiddler crab to the bottom. A few minutes passed without a bite and I reeled up to check my bait. All that remained on the hook was a piece of broken crab shell. "That's strange", I thought and dropped down another crab. Again, several minutes pass with nothing happening and again I reeled up my bait, only to find a broken remnant of crab shell. This scene was repeated many times and I began to take it personal. I considered myself to be a pretty good angler and for the life of me, I could not feel, much less hook, what was taking my bait. Determined not to be beat, I changed my tactic. Now instead of letting the bait sit still on the bottom, I ever so slowly swept my rod tip back against the current and watched my rod tip like a hawk. While doing this I felt a very subtle resistance and saw the rod tip bend just slightly more than normal. I quickly set the hook and the rod bowed over double. The fish on the other end dug hard to make it back into the safety of the wreck and I palmed the spool of the reel in an attempt to stop it. We saw sawed back and forth like this for what seemed like minutes, although I'm sure it was only seconds before I got the fishes head. During the fight, the fish made several more runs for the wreck but with luck on my side, I was able to turn it each time. Slowly but surely, the fish

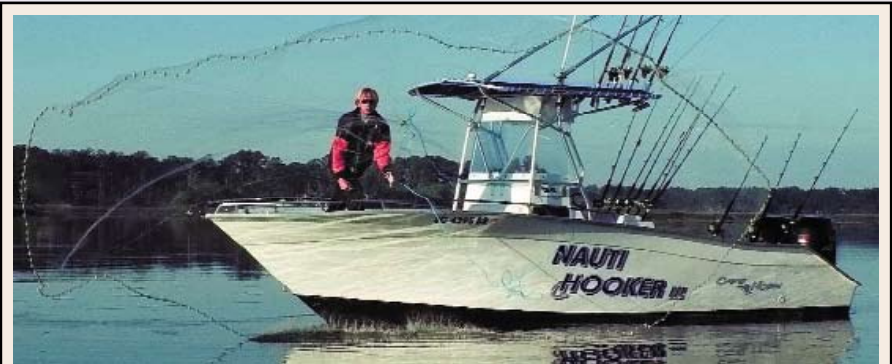
was coming closer to the surface but not without making me work for every inch. "There's no way this is a sheephead", I said to myself, as I struggled. "It must be a grouper or snapper that wandered too far inshore", so I thought. As I peered into the water trying to identify what was giving me such a fit, I caught a glimpse of the tell-tell black and white stripes of a sheephead. With a few more pumps on the rod, I had the fish to the surface and struggled to fit it into the landing net that I had brought. My first Lowcountry sheephead weighed in at eleven pounds and was enough to infect me with a full blown case of "sheepshead addiction"!

The fact that it requires patience, skill, finesse and a little luck to consistently catch sheephead, is what ultimately keeps me coming back for more. Its appeal lies in the fact that you know you are not going to hook everyone. This coupled with the indisputable truth that sheephead are one of the tastiest fish to swim in our waters, has placed them very high on my list of favorite species to pursue. Many of my regular charter clients have also gotten the "sheepshead bug" and chase them with me every chance they get. Sheephead fishing is a very interactive and hands-on activity. Unlike certain types of fishing, cobia and bull red fishing for example, where you sit back with the rods in the rod holder and wait for the bite, sheephead fishing requires the angler to hold the rod at all times, pay very careful attention to what is happening on the other end of the line, be quick and precise with the hook sets and quickly battle the fish away from the structure.

The winter months host the best sheephead fishing of the year here in the Lowcountry. It's during this time that the majority of our sheephead population congregate on nearshore wrecks and reefs as part of their spawning migration. This phenomena provides the best odds of catching the biggest and most sheephead on a single trip. Catch numbers in the twenties are relatively common with banner days yielding over fifty fish. Please keep in mind that just because you catch them, you don't have to keep them. Keep just what you need for a few dinners and let the rest go to keep the population strong.


Lowcountry sheephead fishing is certainly red hot during the cold months, but don't just take my word for it. Get out there and experience this fishery for yourself. Let me give you fair warning though, there's the distinct possibility that if you try it, you too will come down with a serious case of "sheepshead addiction".

Hey DUDES, checkout my website at www.hiltonheadsportfishing.com or give me a call at 843-304-4834 to get more information about winter sheephead charters!



DUDE PROFILE: Capt. Jason DuBose, Head River Pro at Oldfield Club, runs inshore, nearshore and offshore fishing charters. Aside from his duties as a charter fishing captain, Jason conducts a number of monthly educational seminars at Oldfield Club covering topics ranging from fishing techniques to local navigation and boat handling skills. Capt. Jason has worked as a professional sportfishing captain, mate and angler for the better part of the last ten years and has fished extensively through out the Florida Keys, Bahamas and North and South Carolina.

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Winter Time Sight Fishing For Redfish

By Captain Trent Malphrus

All right DUDES, it's January/February again in the Lowcountry. For the next month or two this is going to be the coldest weather of the year. With the weather being so mild so far this winter, let's hope January and February are also mild. The winter months can be some of the best fishing of the year. With the water temperatures in the fifties, this will clear the water up for winter time sight fishing for the red drum.

Sight fishing in winter is just like being in the warm water of the Bahamas but it's a lot colder. The cold weather will bunch the red fish up into big schools anywhere from 50 fish to 1,000's of fish. This is really cool to see DUDES. These big schools of red fish look like clouds coming down the flats. With the water being cold, you can approach these big schools of fish without spooking them. Keep in mind, the cold water will slow down the red fish's reaction time.

The most important thing to remember when approaching a big school of red fish is sound. As long as you do not make a lot of noise, you can stay on a school of fish for hours, but if you make too much noise, the fish are going to swim away from the boat and they just won't eat. So remember, if you get on a school of fish that will not eat, go on to the next school without wasting too much time. You only have a couple of hours to fish these big schools on the mud flats.

These schools of fish are looking for what ever they can find to eat. The small stone crabs that live in the shells are what they really like this time of year. So remember black is a great color. After these fish have finished looking for food on the mud flats, they will lay up in the grass at high tide. When I say lay up in the grass, the fish will suspend himself just below the surface of the water absorbing the heat from the sun light. These fish will eat with the right presentation. The fish that are in the grass are a lot harder to get to eat, but like I said, it's all about presentation. Happy New Year to the 2012 sight fishing the Lowcountry DUDES.

Let's talk about the Palmetto Dunes lagoon system winter time fishing. This is a great time of year to fish the lagoons around the island. The cold weather will bunch the fish up in deep water. If you know where the deepest

spots are, you can catch lots of fish, from the sea trout, to the reds, to the flounder and also, black drum. Brad joined me recently and we caught the PD SLAM that day. Having a boat with a good color sounder is the key, it's no problem finding the fish in deep water. If you don't have a sounder, you have to fish to find them and that's only if they are eating. The sounder

only lets you know they are there, it's up to you to find out what they are eating. Jig fishing is the way to catch these fish that are schooled up. You can work this lure very slow or fast to get a bite. The gulp bait works best this time of year with its smell. When I find the fish on the sounder, I try all different colors and sizes of jigs till I find the one they want that day. You are going to be surprised at how many fish you can catch this way when the water gets cold. All you have to do is dial in the color and size and it's on DUDE. So let's get out there DUDES and throw jigs for the 2012 winter fishing in the Palmetto Dunes lagoon system.

Before I finish, I just want to thank every one for coming out to the 2011 oyster roast fundraiser for the redfish restocking program in Palmetto Dunes. Next year we have some very exciting things happening with the stocking program and I cant wait to share them with you. Happy New Year to the 2012 fishing season DUDES.

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DUDE PROFILE: Captain Trent Malphrus is one of the rare natives of Hilton Head Island. This has been his only home for almost forty years. Trent was born into a family that has thrived on the Lowcountry's rivers and estuaries for hundreds of years. They fished, picked oysters, crabbed, shrimped and frolicked in anything that has to do with Mother Ocean and still do to this day. Trent's dad was the most hard-core fisherman he has ever known.

Trent got the fishing fever at a very young age as he followed in his father's footsteps. All of the fishing knowledge he has attained originate in his father's teachings. Trent now works to perfect his skills and achieve a greater level of understanding of fish and the intricacies of fishing. Trent's father has

passed on, but would surely be proud of his son and his love of fishing.

Trent was introduced to the Palmetto Dunes lagoon system when he was about eleven years old. His father would bring him to work and drop him off to fish all day in the brackish lagoons. These lagoons are abounding with wildlife like red-tail hawks, ospreys, otters, kingfishers and an occasional alligator.

Trent now lives and works in Palmetto Dunes on Hilton Head Island. It is here, amid this familiar saltwater kingdom, that he is now raising his own sons. Every morning when he wakes up to this great big world, Trent's son runs to the back door. Staring out at the dock he asks his mother, "has daddy already gone to work?" Occasionally, he rises early enough to find the skiff still moored at the dock and asks if Trent has caught any fish yet. It seems another Malphrus has started down the road toward a life-long love of fishing.



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Fish Habitat

BY WADE BALES

We always get asked by fellow DUDES what to do in the winter with their lakes. Because we live in such a warm climate, we like to save the 'heavy' stuff for cooler weather. But before discussing the 'heavy' stuff, let's talk about the mechanical stuff. If you have an aeration system, shut it down for the winter (November-February). By aeration we're talking about subsurface 'bubblers' that push air from the lake bottom which causes a boil on the lake surface above the air stations. Some systems require annual maintenance such as cleaning of diffuser heads or replacement of vanes in the compressors. Nevertheless, save some bucks on electricity (buy some lures instead!) as oxygen is typically well distributed throughout your lake during cooler months.

If you have a fountain, it needs to be cleaned up at least once a year, such as a light pressure washing of the float, intake screen and motor housing. Certain manufacturers recommend a motor service on a rotational basis, such as seal or oil replacement. If your fountain is used for aeration, you can shut it down for the winter. More than likely it's just for looks though, so keeping it clean and mechanically sound will protect your investment.

Now to the 'heavy' stuff. Fish habitat. Structure. Whatever you want to call it DUDE, fish like to hang around submerged structure. Don't know about you, but I like to fish around structure. Winter's the perfect time to put out Christmas trees or just about anything you can sink. Well, maybe not your brother in-law's truck, or your wife's horse. Tons of different synthetic or recycled fish structure products on the market. We often use a couple of the best ones. But good old Christmas trees are hard to beat.

Habitat, specifically submerged habitat, is often the most overlooked component of a successful lake fishery. Bass don't like to chase their food around, they like to sit and wait...for their food to come to them. Don't we all? Whether it's structure placement or tuning up your aeration or fountain system, all three help maintain and improve your fish habitat. So team up with your DUDES and start a winter action plan while the weather is cool. And follow it up with some fishing, as winter is one of the best times of the year to catch a HAWG!



DUDES, like to sink their christmas trees for structure



DUDE PROFILE: Wade Bales grew up fishing and hunting in the Lowcountry. Prior to moving back to Bluffton in 2007, Wade worked 15 years with the SCDNR Freshwater Fisheries Section. Wade holds a B.S. and M.S. in Fisheries Management from Auburn University and is President of Quality Lakes Inc., a full-service lake management company. Their services include aquatic weed control, electrofishing and fisheries management, fish stocking, complete lake management and maintenance programs, bathymetric lake mapping, lake sedimentation assessments and lake design just to name a few. He can be reached by email at wadeb@qualitylakes.com or by calling 866.444.5128.



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WHEELCHAIR & WOUNDED WARRIOR HUNT



This past October 24th & 25th, DUDE was invited by Mark Peterson, Safari Club International Lowcountry Chapter Coordinator to join him and a great group of Americans at Nemours Plantation for the 7th annual Wheelchair & Wounded Warrior Hunt. Our good friend and DUDE contributor, Warren DIZ Disbrow was one of the volunteer hunting guides and he met us there for what has to be one of the most patriotic events I've ever attended.

As I drove down the dirt road on a beautiful Fall morning to this special Lowcountry plantation, I was in awe of it's natural beauty. I was not quite sure where I was going or what to expect, but as I wended my way down to the Nemours Wildlife Foundation house, I was shocked at what I saw, more four wheel drive pick-up trucks and DUDES in camo than I've ever seen in my life. The Marine Corps Band and their magnificent bus were also in the house. I soon realized that this was going to be a very special day.

Also in attendance were the Marine Corps Color Guard and the Commanding General of Parris Island Marine Corps Recruiting Depot, Brigadier General Lori Reynolds and approximately 50 eager hunters, comprised of 30 Wounded Warriors, 10 disable hunters and 10 sick or injured youngsters. There was well over 300 true Americans who had gathered on these hallowed grounds to take part in a very special event. After meeting Mark, some great Marines, including the General and taking a few photos, we gathered with a couple hundred of the volunteers and lined the live oak entrance to welcome the Wounded Warriors. Everyone had an American Flag, waving it as the van loads of Wounded Warriors made their way to the main event. If that doesn't make you feel like an American, then I don't know what does. It was nice to see the smiles on their faces as they headed in the plantation. These true blue Americans have sacrificed a lot for the freedoms we enjoy every day and we should not take them for granted.

The beautiful Lowcountry scenery on the Combahee River made for a great setting to see all these patriotic DUDES relaxing and enjoying the camaraderie of fellow Americans who love their military and love their country. Oh and by the way, most of those DUDES love to hunt as well! The Parris Island Marine Corps Band was playing GOD BLESS AMERICA, the chow line with some great freshly cooked BBQ and chicken was flowing, compliments of executive chefs, Ron Andrews and Tony Gates of Bray's and Spring Islands respectively and there were smiles all around. We heard some very awe inspiring words from the General about how our country will not forget our Wounded Warriors once they finally make it home. Of course we know, some made the ultimate sacrifice and didn't come home alive and it was in their spirit as well, that made this event really tug at the American heart string. OoooRah!

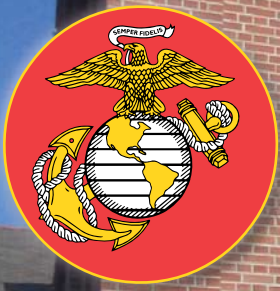
The hunters got to take home a nice cooler full of freshly dressed venison, compliments of chapter members and Burbage's Deer Processing and if they so wanted, free taxidermy service was also provided, compliments of Rhonda Luke, Dan & Mary Pernell. This way these American Heroes will have a memory and a mount to last the rest of their lives. There was also a raffle for a couple of hunters and their partners to go enjoy the magnificent River Bend Lodge, north of Spartanburg for some great accommodations, food, sporting clays shooting and quail & pheasant hunting. These funds go directly to assist these fine Americans in putting on this very worth while event.

DUDE would like to thank Mark Peterson of Safari Club International for the invitation to this great All-American event and thank Ernie Wiggers, Executive Director for Nemours Wildlife Foundation for providing such an awesome place to hold this event. Ernie states, "We owe a big thank you to all the cooperating private landowners who allow the wounded warriors to hunt on these Lowcountry plantations." Finally, thanks to all the Marines and volunteers who made this such a special event to attend that made us PROUD TO BE AN AMERICANS!

If you are interested in being involved in next year's hunt, please contact Mark Peterson, SCI Lowcountry Chapter Program Coordinator at; www.scilowcountry.org or give him a call 843-757-0000.

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TALES FROM THE PARRIS ISLAND MUSEUM

THE FEW, THE PROUD, WE LOVE OUR MARINES!

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

THE MUSEUM

The Parris Island Museum is a monument to Marines of the past as well as a source of inspiration for current and future Marines. Housed in the War Memorial Building on Panama Street at the Marine Corps Recruit Depot, there are 8000 square feet of exhibits. In addition, there are research facilities, archives, an extensive library and a theatre depicting life at the Depot.

Visitors to the museum are able to explore the rich heritage of the Marines as a fighting and humanitarian force. Since 1915 the primary mission at Parris Island is to effectively train new Marines. Over 1,000,000 men and women have completed their basic training at Parris Island. As one tours through the museum, one will note the Marine's involvement in the "Little Wars" (Vera Cruz, Nicaragua, Haiti and the Dominican Republic), World War 1, the "Banana Wars" representing a mobile force around the globe, World War 11 (Pearl Harbor to VJ Day), the Korean War, Vietnam War (424,000 Marines served in Vietnam), and the Gulf Wars and Wars on Terrorism with Marines at the forefront in our battle for the defense of freedom. Marines have participated in peacekeeping missions throughout the world including Grenada, Lebanon and Panama.



The Primary Exhibition Hall at the museum commemorates Marines in every major conflict from their founding in 1775 to their present day involvement in the Middle East.

To gain access to the museum, one may obtain a day pass at the security gate by presenting a driver's license, vehicle registration, and proof of insurance. Preregistration is available online at www.pimuseum.us/gatepass. There is no admission cost at the museum although donations are appreciated. The museum is open daily from 10am to 4:30pm and is closed only for New Year's, Christmas and Easter.

DUDE PROFILE: Dave Campbell resides in Oldfield with his wife Eileen and 16 year old daughter, Katherine. A retired corporate employee benefits consultant, Dave and family moved from Falmouth Mass. to the Lowcountry 6 years ago. An active golfer, Dave is a strong supporter of Oldfield Golf, The Hilton Head Crew Team, a volunteer at the Parris Island Marine Museum and a monthly platelet donor at Savannah Memorial. He is also an avid photographer who has produced 2 Oldfield books with sales benefitting the Boys and Girls Club(s). Dave has two older sons (DJ in Austin, Tx and Tim in Hamilton, Mass) and three granddaughters ages 7 to 12. Eileen has a son, Christopher, who recently graduated from St. Andrews in Scotland and now resides and works in Boston.



RECEIPT OF STEEL BEAM FROM WORLD TRADE CENTER TRAGEDY

Occasionally, through leadership within the museum, new articles of interest are provided to the museum. Most recently, the museum was the recipient of a steel beam representing the destruction of the World Trade Center. Following the terrorist attack, The Port Authority of NY began the recovery process which included clearing the site and preserving artifacts from the rubble. The Port Authority's WTC Artifacts Program – informally called a "steel giveaway" program because many of the recovered objects were metal building materials from the fallen towers – has, in the past 2 years, filled 1,117 requests for artifacts from museums, municipalities and first-responder groups.



The materials have been kept at Hanger 17 formerly owned by Tower Airlines at the JFK Terminal. The hanger represents 80,000 square feet of space. After being placed in "storage" the pieces were degrading quickly "both from the initial trauma they had sustained and from time and exposure." The Port Authority brought in climate controlled equipment to the hanger and sorted the materials by type and distress level. Preservation experts were hired to consult on the project. They recognized the significance of an even anonymous piece of steel from the World Trade Center is huge.

The September 11th Memorial and Museum in New York had negotiated an agreement in 2005 to obtain some of the Hanger 17 material for its' exhibits but there was much more material than any one museum could possibly use so the Port Authority began researching museums to find permanent homes for the balance of Hanger 17 holdings, especially the scarred and twisted steel beams that had come to represent the power of the tragedy.



The Port Authority created the **WTC Artifacts Program** to process and distribute materials to towns, cities, museums and municipalities to incorporate history into a 9/11 memorial. Before the material(s) could be allocated, potential recipients had to specify how and where they would use the steel they received, certify they would not make a profit off it and indicate the approximate size artifact they could properly care for.

The steel beam housed at the Parris Island Museum is approximately four feet long and three feet wide. It weighs 350 pounds. At this point, the Museum Director's are contemplating where the piece should go. It presently is on the main floor to the left of the elevator. It seems when visitors arrive at the Museum their first question is, "Where may I see the steel beam from the World Trade Center?" and when they do see it, there is profound respect, remembrance, internal anger and quiet.

Parris Island, Marine Corps Recruiting Depot Wildlife Management Master Sergeant Ret, Warren "DIZ" Disbrow

BY BRAD McDONALD

Many of you faithful DUDE readers know "DIZ" by now, as he and his daughter, Aubrey, graced our pages in an article about his self camouflaging TRUCKSTENCILS.COM business. He has been very instrumental and helpful in getting DUDE involved and in touch with the Marines in Beaufort. DUDE now has distribution on the Marine Corps Air Station, at the Naval Hospital and on Parris Island, thanks to his efforts. Thanks DUDE...OoooRah!

As we've gotten to know DIZ, it seems he definitely fits the DUDE mold. We thought you DUDES would like to get to know him better and find out about his work with the wildlife on the beautiful piece of pristine Lowcountry land that is Parris Island. He also does civil service work on the Marine Corps Air Station as a composite fabricator, working with fiber glass, carbon fibers and kevlar for those awesome FA/18 Hornets.

DIZ was born in Chicago and grew up in Baltimore Maryland. He was the typical All-American boy, exploring in the woods, fishing, playing with worms and frogs and being a cub and boy scout. This is most likely where he got his love for the great outdoors and wildlife. Well, this All-American boy, grew up to be one of The Few, The Proud, A Marine.

Master Sergeant DIZ, went to Parris Island when he was 19 years old to get his basic training which turned him in to a Marine. He spent 13 weeks at Camp Lejeune, NC where he obtained his infantry training.

Once he was turned in to one of America's finest, he traveled the world while serving our great country. Some of his stops on the way to his 22 years of service; Japan, Korea, Thailand, the Philippines, Spain, Portugal, England, Italy, Alaska, Hawaii and Wake Island. He was a proud member of the Dragons which worked with M47 Surface Attack Anti-tank Missiles. After he settled back in the USA, he went through aviation training spending time in the Marine facility in Jacksonville, Florida and Lemoore, California.

Somehow along this journey, he managed to marry his high school sweetheart Lisa in 1982, which is a story in itself. They have three children, Jason, local Deputy Sheriff Brandon, his wife, Rachel and their two grandchildren, Emma and Hunter and beautiful daughter, Aubrey.

DIZ gets a great peace of mind like many of us DUDES spending time in the great outdoors. He obtained his Master Naturalist training from Clemson, which made him a perfect fit for assisting the Federal Game Warden in the Deer Management on Parris Island, which he has been doing for 12 years now. Deer Management requires carefully managed deer hunts to control the populations which have no basic predators. If left unchecked (not hunted) culled, most likely you will end up with too many deer per acre that are very unhealthy, disease spreading and emaciated, like you'll find in "no kill" areas like Fripp Island. Controlled hunts create a healthy population



Wounded Warrior, 1st Lt Pate, US Army with his hunting guide, Warren DIZ Disbrow

of deer like you can find in Oldfield, Palmetto Bluff, Marine Corps Air Station, Parris Island and many other deer population controlled pieces of land in Beaufort county.

Parris Island, Marine Corps Recruiting Depot, being such a high profile base requires this type of deer population management. DIZ works with roughly 60 to 80 active duty and 40 retired military hunters to help accomplish the goal of a healthy population of deer on Parris Island. The Parris Island Rod & Gun Club, which has mostly active, retired, Department of Defense and Civil Service personnel, assist with these very meaningful hunts. They do allow a third of their membership to be civilians. If left unchecked by these hunts, the deer can increase their population numbers by 50 to

100 per year. According to DIZ, the ideal population is in the neighborhood of 300 to 350. By hunting/culling the herd by approximately 75 per year, it keeps the numbers healthy and manageable, however if left unchecked, the population could quickly spiral out of control growing to well over 500 deer in a matter of a few years. There is a lot of time behind the scenes, which he does willingly, involved in managing the 6 areas that are hunted with maintenance of hunting stands, putting out corn and spotting deer for upcoming hunts.

Once the controlled hunt is ordered by the Commanding General of Parris Island, DIZ and his hunters go in to action.

A specified number of deer are hunted and the info and statistics are recorded; weight, number of points, male, female or lactating female and the jaws are examined for diseases, then some of the deer are processed and given to local food bank organizations and churches to help feed the needy.

DIZ spends some of his free time working with Mac McKenna doing hunter safety courses. In regards to Hunting Licenses: In order to qualify for a SC hunting license, people born after June 30, 1979, must complete a Hunter Education course offered by the SC Department of Natural Resources.

This course is available at no cost, as either classroom instruction or a home-study program.

The next classroom study will be offered in March, 2012. Home-study is available anytime on DVD. For more information contact E.J. "Mac" McKenna at 843-522-0797. DIZ also speaks to school children about the importance of being good stewards and how to appreciate our Lowcountry wildlife. Helping children learn is really enjoyable for DIZ as he helps teaching fishing and archery classes, as well as conducting Turkey Shoots for the young up and coming outdoorsmen and women in our area.

I think it's safe to say we need more people like DIZ in this world, as he's served his country proudly (THANK YOU) and he does all he can to make sure that we have a healthy wildlife population for the next generation to appreciate and enjoy. I wouldn't be surprised if we check in with him several years down the road and he's fulfilling his dream of being a FEDERAL GAME WARDEN!



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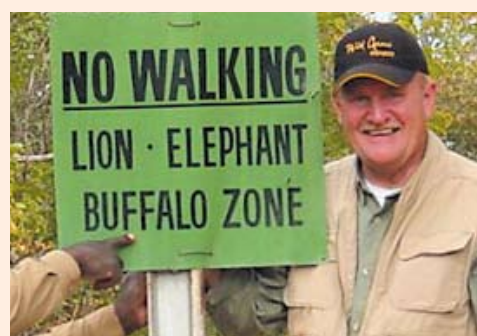
This fall I took my grandson, Carlo on his first white tail deer (*Odocoileus virginianus*) hunt about 150 miles North of Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. We flew in to Saskatoon where we were met by the great folks from ProudFoot Outfitters Hunting Lodge (proudfootoutfitters.com), Rob Digh 704-400-2688 and drove to their camp. The roughly 3 hour drive was full of spectacular scenery in this very wild country. This area is known for being full of very big deer. This land is so uncharted that most of these deer have never seen man or anything to do with humans. Spectacular racks of huge antlers are on these big bucks that can weigh well over 300 pounds. Needless to say, this is really THE MECCA for the serious deer hunters and they come from all over the world to seek these prize bucks.

A typical day begins very early with a hot breakfast and you are taken via ATV to deer stands roughly 10 to 15 miles away from the lodge/camp. It's 5:30 am when you arrive at your heated blind and you have to be a serious hunter, as you will sit there all day long. By the time they come pick you up at 6 pm, you will have seen dozens of deer and patience is the key as you want to make sure you haven't come this far to take just an average size buck. You must be willing to let the smaller bucks walk through while you wait on the big buck to come through. After hopefully bagging your trophy deer, you return to the lodge for a hot bowl of soup and big hearty home cooked meal, where hunters share their stories of the day. You have up to five days to wait on taking your big 8, 10, 12 point buck. Hopefully the big boy will show up, however it is not uncommon for the more avid hunters to go home without a deer simply because they are wanting a monster buck.



I will most happy to share any information such as pricing, travel plans and outfitters contacts to anyone wanting to hunt in Africa or Canada. If you have any hunting photos you would like to share with our DUDE readers, send them to our editor, Harold, The Largemouth Bass to harold@dudesc.com.

Be Safe & Good Hunting Dudes!



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QUAIL SEASON

Runs Through the End of February

BY JEFF DENNIS

Small game hunters can brush aside the blues of the long offseason and begin to reacquaint their dogs with the woodlands. Quail season on private lands saw bird dogs on point beginning November 21 and they will hunt until March 1. There is no better time than the present for a DUDE to load up some bird shot and go upland wing-shooting.

The type of bird dog an upland hunter prefers can tell a lot about that sportsman. English pointers are by far the most popular quail dog and their owners favor them due to short hair and a machine-like work ethic. Those who choose English Setters may like the stylish pose the tail or flag of the setter strikes. Brittany spaniels are known for their high-motor engine and German short-hairs for their well rounded abilities to scent birds and to retrieve them.

While hunters will always love their dogs, the decline in quail populations has made many a bird dog head for early retirement. In the recent State of the Bobwhite report, the National Bobwhite Conservation Initiative declared that conservation efforts on behalf of Gentleman Bob are far inadequate to halt their precipitous decline. The U.S. Department of Agriculture then chimed in to stress that the restoration of native grasslands be stepped up.

DUDE, what do native grasses have to do with quail? The native grasses form a cover that helps quail to survive in a number of ways. Some grasses make lots of tiny seeds that fall to the ground and serve to feed the birds and at the same time that grassy cover hides the vulnerable birds to predators like hawks. Quail don't migrate, but hawks do and our Southern woods host a large number of northern hawks each winter.

Nature has also played a role in the fact that quail numbers are down right now and don't forget that mother nature could bring their population back up one day. Prescribed fire really helps to promote the grassy habitat that quail thrive in and hunters should seek out woodlands that have been burned frequently as a good place to let pointing dogs go to work.

On a personal note, this quail season holds special promise since this DUDE's own bird dog is now three years old and is gaining some experience in the matters of quail hunting. We may look for wild quail a few days but like most others, we will plan on harvesting quail that are pen-raised. The dog work is what is so very rewarding to an upland bird hunter, because without their keen sense of smell, man would never ever locate bobwhite quail.

Hunting quail means covering ground, so make sure that the dog has had some type of training program to ramp up his readiness. Also consider feeding the dog more food during quail season or perhaps switching to a high-performance brand like Eukanuba during hunting season. After all, if the dog gives out, then the hunt is over. Feed them good DUDE!

Woods walking requires the hunter to have comfortable and well broken in boots. A heavy gun like a 12-gauge will work, but it can also get heavy after walking around for a few hours. Smaller gauge guns work just as well and they can help to keep a hunter feeling light and nimble. Hunter orange clothing, hearing protection and briar pants round out the needs for the upland bird enthusiast.

New for the 2011 upland season is the Browning Bird'N Lite blaze orange hunting jacket. This jacket is designed with a weight distribution system that incorporates shoulder straps and a padded adjustable waist belt. It allows a hunter to carry a game bag full of quail with a comfort level similar to wearing a backpack. This jacket comes with the standard quality features that Browning always delivers like a front-loading blood proof game bag, lined hand-warmer pockets and shotgun shell holders.

It's no secret that small game hunting used to be king in South Carolina DUDE. Today, big game hunting for deer and turkey are the unmistakable favorites. December, January and February are still available to the few who choose to stick with the tradition of small game hunting and their rewards will come in the form of a happy healthy dog and a bounty of quail to eat.



DUDE PROFILE: Jeff Dennis is a Lowcountry native who grew up on a tidal creek, and works as a freelance writer and photographer. He has been a cooperating angler for the S.C. Department of Natural Resource's marine gamefish tagging program since 1994. Jeff was awarded the Harry Hampton Journalism Award in 2008 from the S.C. Wildlife Federation for his work in the realm of natural resources and conservation. As caretaker of his family farm in Colleton County, Jeff appreciates wildlife habitat management and loves to hunt all the game that the Lowcountry has to offer. For regular fishing reports, harvests of note and conservation news – check out Jeff's blog at www.Lowcountryoutdoors.com.



South Florida Photo Safari

ARTICLE AND PHOTOGRAPHS BY MARVIN BOUKNIGHT

The Lowcountry of South Carolina is, without a doubt, a unique and special place. The diversity of our coast is second to none. As a naturalist and photographer, I certainly appreciate and marvel at this beauty and diversity. The Lowcountry is not lacking subjects to photograph, areas to explore or new discoveries to make.

Being a naturalist, I am interested in all of the aspects of nature, but I am an avid birder and with that, an avid bird photographer, too. One species that I have always wanted to see, watch and photograph is the endangered snail kite (*Rostrhamus sociabilis*). Since they don't normally occur here in the Lowcountry, it's obvious that I would have to go elsewhere to see this amazing bird of prey.

The snail kite is widely distributed in Central and South America, but their range in the United States is restricted to south Florida and even in south Florida, they are further restricted by habitat and highly specific food requirements. You see, snail kites feed primarily on aquatic snails in the genus *Pomacea* and in Florida, there are only one or two species that can be found. These kites are specifically adapted for feeding on snails, having longer toes and talons allows the kite to pluck the rounded, slippery apple snails from the water, where a strongly hooked beak lets the kite extricate the snail from its shell, without breaking it, leaving snail shells strewn about its habitat.

On a scouting trip, I happened upon an amazing place called the Devil's Garden Bird Park, a privately owned property over 12,000 acres. Fellow photographer and naturalist Eric Horan and I scouted the property with owner Katherine Zipperer and lo and behold, we saw two or three kites. The diversity of birds was tremendous, prompting Eric and I to offer a photo safari for any interested photographers to this amazing place.

Five photographers joined Eric and I to south Florida for a chance to photograph the diversity of birds found in south Florida and needless to say, we saw a multitude of species! We loaded up our gear and piled into two four-wheelers and did our best to cover as much ground

as possible, with most of it being flooded. Throughout the day, we saw over 55 species of birds and as many as 9 species of raptors, including at least 5 snail kites. Not even an hour into our trip, sandhill cranes flew in and landed, affording us ample time to catch up and photograph these large birds. While we were in position, six more cranes started to trumpet and rattle their call and appeared over the fields, circled and landed with the others in the field right in front of us.

Combine that with limpkins, two barn owls in a plane hangar, numerous kestrels, a very accommodating barred owl, a very photogenic belted kingfisher and you have makings of an awesome photo safari! The photos taken by our participants were fantastic and hopefully to the mental images they experienced on this trip to the wetlands and south Florida prairies will stick with them forever.

Eric and I plan on offering this trip again in the early spring, when all the waterfowl, wading birds, cranes, kites and many other species will be at their peak. If you're interested and want to join us, give us a call or drop me an e-mail at Nature Nook, LLC, (843)441-0961 or mbnaturenook@yahoo.com. We'd love to have you join us for another photo adventure to this beautiful and diverse place that, just like the South Carolina Lowcountry, has much to offer!



DUDE PROFILE: Marvin Bouknight is a South Carolina native and has lived in the Lowcountry for over 15 years. A Clemson University graduate with a degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Management, Marvin has been a professional naturalist for over 20 years and is currently the staff naturalist at Oldfield Club. Through his company, The Nature Nook, LLC, Marvin offers a variety of programs, seminars and workshops on topics such as the local flora and fauna, attracting wildlife to your backyard and wildlife photography. He also provides services such as interpretive center design, displays and features, interpretive program development including curriculum-based and guided lesson plan development, trail design and development, wildlife surveys and documentation, nature-based consultation, etc. He can be reached by calling (843)441-0961 or by e-mail at mbnaturenook@yahoo.com



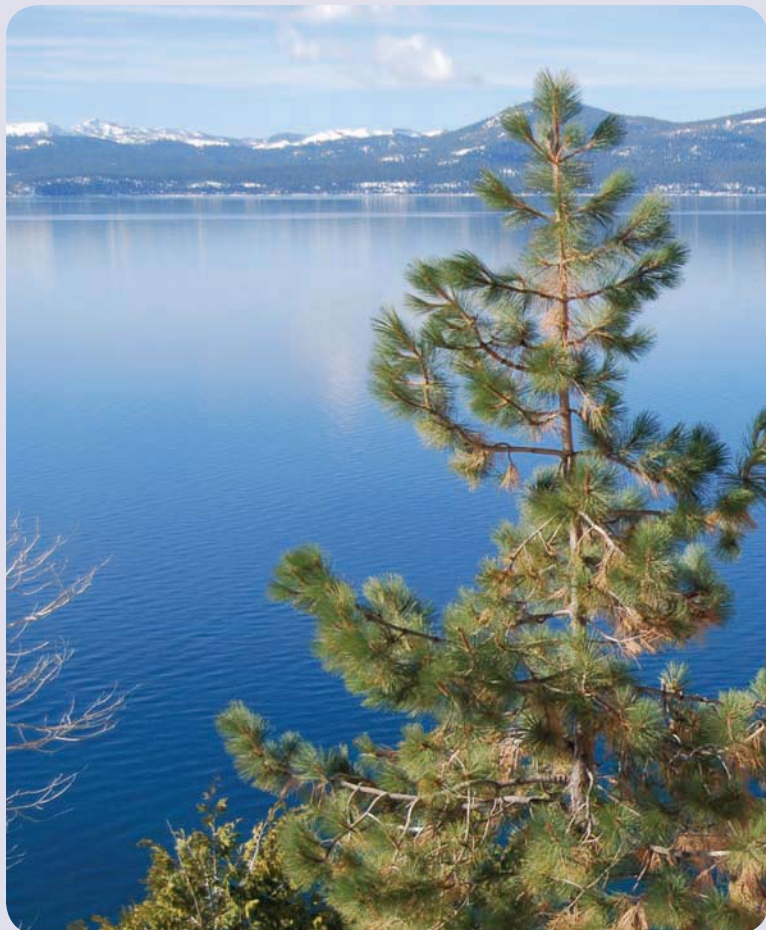
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CHARTING A COURSE

FOR THE FUTURE

BY BRAD MCDONALD

This past November, DUDE attended a fund raiser BBQ on the grounds of the soon to be Hilton Head Island Community Rowing and Sailing Center located at 137 Squire Pope Road. The Town of Hilton Head Island is about to add a new jewel to their crown of beautiful pieces of public properties. The town recently bought 5.3 acres next to a 2.2 acre track they already bought that used to be Benny Hudson's Seafood for you old schoolers out there. As you can see from the photo we took, this is going to be one spectacular place with a view to match.

I worry that the new generation of children growing up, spend too much time inside on their computers, social networking and playing Wii games. This new rowing and sailing center is going to give some great young adults a place to grow up, learn some discipline, enjoy the great Lowcountry outdoors, meet lifetime friends and most importantly, get some great physical exercise. See article this issue from new DUDE contributor, David Campbell about this fine group of young DUDES and DUDETTES.

At the fundraising BBQ, we met up with our long time good friend and Old Salt, the amazing architect, Paul Miller. Paul knows sailing and he has been very instrumental in the design of the facility that the town is eventually going to build on this very special piece of property. This is going to be a multipurpose facility, however it will be the home of the Hilton Head Island Community Rowing

and Sailing Center, first and foremost. Locals and visitors alike will now have an affordable, easily accessible, safe rowing and sailing facility. Classes will be available for the youth, as well as adults. Everyone will have a place to learn the skills to navigate the tricky waterways and marshes of the Lowcountry. Construction is scheduled to start in 2014, however with the Get R Done, mentality of those involved, I wouldn't be surprised to see parts of it starting to take shape next year.

The Hilton Head Island Rowing and Sailing Center will be managed and run by the good folks at the Island Recreation Center. This location will also have a nice parking area, fenced in boat storage, pavilion with picnic areas and restrooms, a Boathouse and floating dock, which will be the perfect launch site for rowing and sailing, not to mention a great place to do some crabbing, fishing or tossing of cast nets for shrimp. We wish all those involved the best of luck in their fund raising efforts. They are shooting for \$1million

to help the town with expenses for the Center. So if you're looking for a place to donate some money to a very worthwhile cause and facility that will benefit the youth of our area, please make a donation to the HHI Community Rowing and Sailing Center, PO Box 6254, Hilton Head Island, SC 29938.

SEE YA ON THE WATER DUDES!



HILTON HEAD ISLAND CREW TEAM

BY DAVID CAMPBELL

The Hilton Head Island Crew Team is comprised of students from Hilton Head High, Hilton Head Christian Academy, Hilton Head Preparatory School and those who are home schooled. Bluffton students are also eligible to participate in the program.

There are 52 participants in the fall rowing season, 31 females and 21 males ranging from Lower School to graduating Seniors. The Hilton Head Island Crew Team is a 501 ©(3) non profit organization under the umbrella of the "Palmetto Rowing Club."

Funding on behalf of the crew team comes entirely from donations, fund raising events (golf outings, car washes, bingo, miniature golf, etc) and participant's fee payments. There is a fall and spring season – the former runs from September to mid November and the latter from January through April. Practices are held 3 days a week in the fall, based solely on the tide tables and 5 days a week in the spring. The crew team rows 8 and 4 person boats in Broad Creek. The "Old Oyster Factory" restaurant is the home of the Hilton Head Island Crew Team and there is hardly a night in either season where the diners don't enjoy watching the crew team work while they enjoy their dinner looking over the Broad Creek.

The team participates in two regattas in the fall – an October race in Jacksonville, Florida and a November race in Augusta, Georgia. Races in the spring are held in Jacksonville, Fla., Augusta, Ga., Clemson, Ga., and Gainesville, Ga. (site of the

1996 Olympic venue). There may be additional sites for competition this spring. The team is required to travel to all events as they cannot race on the currents of their tidal creek. Broad Creek, while a fine place to practice, is unsuited for a regatta. All trips are supported through donations and athlete dues. Practices are held after school and run from 3:30 to 6:30/6:45. Generally, athletes are broken into two groups primarily because there are too many athletes for a single practice. When one group of rowers is in the water, the other group is working out at the gym. When the first group of rowers is through, they are taken to the gym and the second group of rowers take their turn on the water. The athletes are responsible for cleaning the boats, rigging the boats, getting them in and out of the water, putting them on the trailers for travel and putting them away at night. They work incredibly hard.

All athletes work together. No one is allowed to leave until all the work is done. They are totally committed to supporting each other. There are no stars or individualism. There may be stronger rowers but their talents have to mesh with the others if they are to operate as one. Crew is the ultimate team sport.

For the graduating Senior's, men's involvement and success with the crew team can lead to college scholarship offers. Already the Universities of Maryland and Alabama have offered a scholarship to one of the crew members and two scholarships have been recently awarded by Clemson.

Volunteer coaches, Dave Erdman and Lu Strayer, MD., are working closely with the athletes and feel this is going to be a strong season for the team. We encourage all residents to learn more about this team and their efforts. After all, when they compete and win a regatta, (as they did last year over 20+ teams in Augusta), their victory reflects positively on Hilton Head Island and the Lowcountry.



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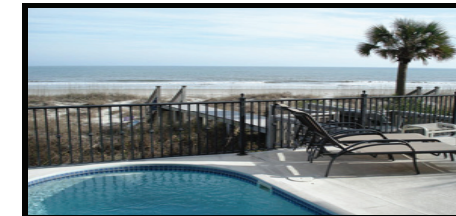
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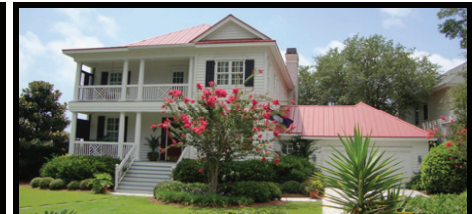
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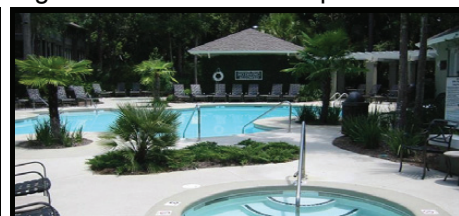
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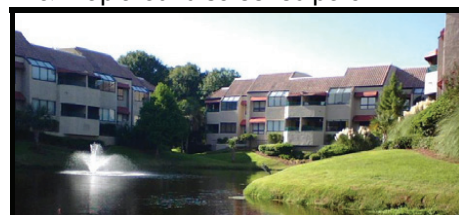
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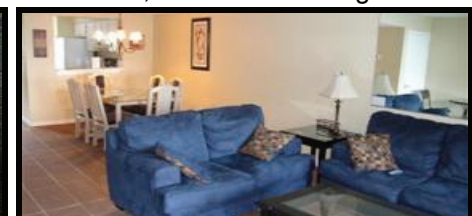
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My Christmas Present...

by Wes Grady

For the past month, I have been dropping hints to my lovely wife about my Christmas present. Either I am too subtle or she knows what I'm looking for and chooses to ignore me. See, I have the desire for a new car. Not just any car but a car that will make men drool with envy when they see it.

No, I'm not talking about a BMW Alpina or Mercedes SL. No, I'm not talking about a Ferrari or Lamborghini. No, I'm not talking about a Corvette ZR1 or a Nissan GTR. Each of these cars, while nice, are too common, too mundane for me.

Allow me to digress and return for a moment to the summer of 1963. I had just graduated from High School and was enjoying the summer prior to starting college. A friend who worked for a local car dealership called one day and suggested we both attend the SCCA racing school that had just opened in eastern Ohio. So, we loaded up my 56 Triumph TR2 and off we went to Garrettsville, Ohio, home to the newly minted Nelson's Ledges Road Course. We took the course and both managed to keep from wrecking the car, so they gave us our credentials. This allowed us to drive in sanctioned SCCA events. More than anything else, it gave us the opportunity to learn how to drive.

My friend, as I mentioned, worked for a car dealership,

which just happened to be a Lotus franchise. We both ended up racing in various events, sponsored by that dealership. The little Lotus Elan S2 was a car that could really get my blood pumping. I have been a fan of Lotus ever since. This brings me back to my Christmas present.

The Lotus Evora is a 2 + 2 body, meaning it will hold two adults and a small dog. It is powered by a 3.5 liter V6 pushing out 280 HP through the rear wheels. It is fast, oh yes, it is very fast, with a top speed of 172 mph and a 0-60 time of less than 5 seconds. But, I really want it for the mileage, because after all, we need to address our dependence on foreign oil. This Lotus is looking at close to 30 mpg on the highway. And, did I mention how good this car looks? In a word, it is "Stunning".

And, the best part, it can be had for less than the Ferrari, the Lamborghini, the Corvette, the Nissan, the BMW or the Mercedes. A lot less in many cases. The 2011 Evora can be had for a mere \$65,000 in base configuration and about \$15,000 more will get you the S model. And, if you have enough money to buy one of the other cars I have mentioned, you can get in line for the race tuned GTE version with 414 hungry horses under the carbon fiber hood.

I have been leaving photos of the Evora all over the house. I took some photos of a green one at the Hilton Head Island Concours and loaded it onto a thumb drive and stuck it on the TV screen. I sent her anonymous e-mails about how reliable and exciting the Evora is to drive. I suggested to her that she would really look great driving a Solar Yellow Evora around Hilton Head and the like. Nothing. Nada. No response from her at all. Maybe I am being too subtle.

Now, if only my wife would only pay attention to my hints. Then again, maybe she already bought me one and is keeping it a secret. After all, it is a Christmas present, right?

There is a dealership up in Greenville, who will personally come to the area whenever the car needs to be serviced. You can reach Max Shaffer, owner of Lotus of Greenville at 864-232-2269 (www.lotusgreenville.com) if you want to buy one. If you hurry, you might even be able to buy the green one, but stay away from the yellow one, that one is mine!



DUDE PROFILE: Wes Grady is relatively new to the lowcountry, moving here from the Hudson Valley of New York in 2007. Wes retired from the practice of law after 30 years and claims that this was the best decision he ever made. Upon arriving in the low country, Wes completed the Master Gardener program offered by Clemson University and then began taking ecology classes at USCB and in 2009 he completed the Master Naturalist program through the Low Country Institute. Snakes are his specialty and he regularly works with home owners in Sun City to educate them about snakes and removes venomous snakes as they



appear. He is proud of the fact that no snake is ever killed. Wes is a private pilot, an advanced open water SCUBA diver and a general class amateur radio operator. In his younger days, he obtained his Sports Car Club of America Competition License at Nelson Ledges, Ohio and raced for several years in the eastern part of the country. Wes is an advanced photographer and likes to travel throughout the world shooting wildlife and scenics. He lives in Sun City with his wife, Linda, and can be reached at 843-705-4875 or by e-mail at: wesgrady@gmail.com

*I know she got it for me.
I just know it.*



by Wes Grady

In our last issue, I wrote about the racing prowess of Kyle Busch. At the Kentucky Speedway he exhibited tremendous skill, winning two of three races that weekend and nearly winning the third. I predicted great things for him and his future with NASCAR. I would be remiss if I did not speak of the other events in Mr. Busch's life this year.

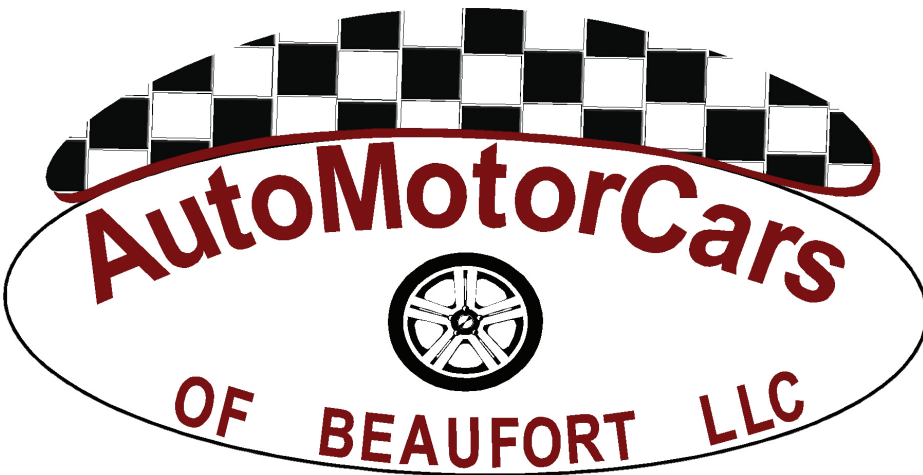
First, during the Darlington Race, which we covered in our Summer issue, there was a post race altercation between Kyle Busch and Kevin Harvick. Busch parked behind Harvick following the race, but when Harvick approached him, Busch sped away, pushing Harvick's car into the retaining wall.

Then there was the idiotic behavior that Busch exhibited in Troutman, NC, near his home, when he was clocked doing 128 mph through a residential area posted at 45 mph. Initially charged with both speeding and reckless driving, he ended up with a fine and a 45 day suspension of his driving license. His dealings with the media following this incident, in which he offered no explanation of his behavior and in which he referred to the high performance car, which he had on loan, as a "A Toy", could best be described as bizarre.

And, finally, at the Texas Speedway in November, he deliberately crashed into Ron Hornaday during the Camping World Truck Series race. Following that incident, NASCAR officials appropriately dealt with Mr. Busch's behavior by denying him the right to race for the remainder of the weekend, by (using their words) "Parking him" for the Texas series. This may have ultimately eliminated him from the Chase for the Sprint Cup championship as his failure to race at Texas dropped him from 4th to 11th in championship points. NASCAR's sanctions were, however, long overdue.

As far back as 2003, he has been seen as troubled by temper tantrums and poor judgement. His major sponsor, M&Ms, dropped him for the final two Sprint Cup races of 2011, as the result of his antics at Texas and his Nationwide series seat was taken over by Denny Hamlin for the same two races by order of the team's sponsor, Z-line Designs.

Kyle Busch spent the last decade building a racing legacy. Unfortunately, his prepubescent behavior both on and off the track have detracted from what could have been far greater achievements. What the off season will bring for him and team owner Joe Gibbs, is not clear at this point. His older brother Kurt, has been dropped by Penske Racing and is currently without a ride. Whether the same fate will befall Kyle Busch is unknown at this point.



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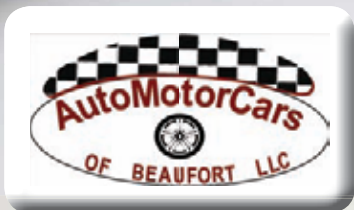
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Beaufort County's SLOWEST OIL CHANGE!

By Rob Logan

I'm going to get a little in depth on something that is in most peoples eyes a pretty simple process. That process is THE OIL CHANGE! Some of the questions involved in the oil change process are; When, How and Where?

Everybody should know how important oil changes are, as they are directly related to the life of your engine.

First question is WHEN to change your oil? Depending on your particular vehicle and what type of oil you prefer, pretty much dictates this answer. The basic rule for normal U.S. vehicles is every 3,000 miles for regular oil and every 6,000 miles for synthetic oil. Now, if you have a vehicle that has an oil change indicator light on your dashboard, it should come on when it is time. These indicators work one of two ways. It is either set on mileage or it actually has an oil viscosity sensor. The viscosity sensor is best, as it will vary on telling you when to change your oil, depending directly on how hard you are driving your vehicle. When your oil viscosity breaks down below a certain level it will indicate, so your oil changes intervals can really fluctuate. If you are a hardcore DUDE and change your oil yourself, you need to reset the oil indicator light. You will be able to find out how to do this in your owner's manual.

A note to you hardcore DUDES that change your own oil on the HOW, make sure after you drain your oil and replace the filter, that you start your engine and let it run for a bit after putting in the new oil before you check it. This is a good time to check all your fluid levels; Brake, Power Steering, Anti-Freeze and Transmission. Also, grab a good flashlight and check your belts tightness and look for any leaks.

Third question is WHERE to get your oil changed? There are dozens of quick in and out lube places here in Beaufort County. They are OK, but that's exactly what you get, a quickie! Most likely your vehicle will not be looked over closely to make

sure everything is OK like we do at Butler Chrysler Dodge Jeep. I put them up on the lift and take my time while closely looking over all important components. In my professional opinion, your vehicle should not be looked over quickly. Though we take a little longer, you will be assured that we will look it over closely, check all your fluids, check your brakes, belts and see if there is anything out of the ordinary going on with your vehicle. When you pick your vehicle up from us, you will know that it has been looked at closely and you'll know exactly the state of your vehicle. If we tell you that something in particular needs your attention, don't automatically think we are trying to rip you off, we simply want you to have your vehicle in its best shape. Generally, if there's something major wrong with your vehicle, your computer sensor should set off your Check Engine light.

So, going in to the new year, remember that changing your oil is very important. It will not only add to the life time of your engine, but it will give you a piece of mind while cruising down the road DUDE. Oh and if you're looking for a quickie, don't come to Butler Chrysler Dodge Jeep, as we may very well have the slowest oil change in Beaufort County.



DUDE PROFILE: Robert Logan is originally from Adel, Georgia and now currently resides in Beaufort, S.C. Rob is 36 years old and is married to wife Keri, they have a daughter Sarah and son Chase. Rob has been employed with Butler Chrysler/Dodge in Beaufort, SC for the past 10 years. Prior to that, his employer was the United States Marine Corps. He enjoys hunting, fishing, playing softball and spending time with family and friends.



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But for the Want of a Tire, A Friend Was Gained...

by Wes Grady



Thirty Five years ago I walked into a tire store with the intent to buy a tire. I had purchased a car just a week earlier and had a flat and found out that it wasn't covered by any road hazard warranty.

I was sitting in the waiting room, waiting for my tire to be fixed when I noticed an ad for a tire company that offered road hazard warranties, as standard. I went into the shop and got my car and drove to Elmsford. I walked in to get that tire and what I ended up with was a lifelong friend.

I would like to tell you about my friend, and his illness.

Walter Eisenstark has a very serious and expensive illness. Oh, he will be the first one to admit that he has this illness and the first one to admit that there is no known cure for what ails him.

Sometime around his fifth birthday, Walter was bitten by a bug. That bug infected him with a love of the automobile. Over the last 60 some years, it has festered and grown. Now he is one of the few people in this country that can be termed a incurable car collector's collector.

He has a barn on his property in Yorktown Heights, NY, which houses much of his collection of rare cars, some of which are so rare that they were hand made and most exist today in only single digit numbers.

Walter and his lovely wife, Rosanne, winter each year in Sun City, where many of his friends now reside. He exhibits his cars at numerous shows around the country, including The Hilton Head Island Motoring Festival & Concours d'Elegance, The Amelia Island Concours and the granddaddy of them all, The Pebble Beach Concours d'Elegance. While he is very close-lipped about it, I am sure that it costs him more than \$10,000 to bring his car or cars to Hilton Head and that doesn't include the days of preparation for both him and the car. The cars travel in weather tight, closed trailers hauled by an acquaintance that Walter met over the years while exhibiting his cars. The car he brought to Hilton Head this year was a 1954 SIATA 200CS. SIATA, for those who are uninformed, is actually the initials of the

Society Italian Automobile Transformation Accessori. This car is one of only 18 SIATA coupes powered by the Fiat 8V engine and only one of 11 which has a body designed by Balbo.

This car was imported into New York in 1954 and over the following 5 years had 4 owners before being acquired by a Dentist from Yorktown Heights, Dr. Julius Eisenstark, Walter's father. This car has remained in the family, passing from father to son, for the past 52 years. It passed, by sale I might add and old Doc drove a pretty tough bargain for it.

It is, by Walter's own admission, not a perfect vehicle, but if Walter has anything to say about it, it will become one. This past year, Walter has caused the car to undergo a complete mechanical and cosmetic restoration, from the oil cooler to the drive shaft. With less than half of a dozen of the original 11 Balbo coupes accounted for, Walter believes this one to be in the most pristine and original condition of that number.

Last year, Walter received the William Hilton award for his 1971 Fiat Shellette and the year before was awarded the Palmetto trophy for his 1974 De Tomasso Longchamp 2+2 Coupe.

Yes, Walter is a car nut for sure. When he parts with a car, he shakes for days, talks to himself in low whispers and is said to order strange foods to quell the uneasiness in his stomach. There is only one cure that has helped him over the years. Yes, if he sells a car and starts into the delirium tremors, he must immediately find and purchase another. At the moment, he has his eye on another SIATA. He has the engine, now if he can just acquire the body and marry the two, he will have another car to show next year. His 200CS is not really for sale, but if you want to make him an offer, he will be happy to discuss it with you. There was another 200CS that sold last year for just under \$1 Million, not that I am suggesting that Walter will hold out for that amount. No, I am not suggesting that at all, but you might start there.



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A BIG DUDE THANK YOU TO THE SEA PINES RESORT REALLY SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT

By Brad McDonald

DUDES love road trips and golf! This fall I once again joined up with all my high school buddies for our annual golf outing. We could have not been anymore satisfied or treated better than we were at THE SEA PINES RESORT, home of PGA professional, DUDE contributor and previous PGA Palmer Maples teacher of the year, Rick Barry, head teaching professional. We contacted long time friend and islander, Bobby Downs who works for Sea Pines Resort and he hooked us DUDES up with two great rounds of golf.

The newly Dye designed Heron Point Course was in amazing condition and it presented quite the challenge. The newly renovated Mark McCumber Ocean Course was a bit more forgiving, but just another sweet resort course and the oceanfront view from the green on #15 is pretty spectacular DUDE. This time of year The Sea Pines Resort has some special deals for locals, as well as group packages, that include the famed Harbour Town Golf Links, so give them a call and tee 'em up on all three Sea Pines Resort courses this winter.

I have to share with you DUDES one of the funniest things that has ever happened to me and pretty much all of us DUDES, when we were playing the Heron Point course. I was spotting for my partner who was going for the green in 2 on a par 5. The shot was blind and I wanted to make sure the ball could be found, especially with him being my partner. Well, he hit a magnificent shot and he was on the beautiful marsh side green putting for eagle. All the sudden, a huge crow comes down on the green and starts moving his ball closer and closer to the hole. I'm yelling, flipping out, telling my friends to hurry up, that they are not going to believe their eyes. As soon as they came around the dog leg, they saw I was

not just pulling their leg. The crow had now moved the ball from about 40 feet to about 10 feet! Hey, the ball is in play and so is mother nature right?! Wrong! The oversized crow then proceeded to pick up the ball and fly off with it to the next tee box. I was laughing so hard I couldn't breathe much less drink my beer. After plenty of yelling, the crow looked at us and took off with it once and for all and took it to her nest high in one of the large pines.

Meanwhile, our other buddy is a bit mad as he is waiting to hit his ball, going for the green in 2 as well and we are rolling around in the cart path hysterical. Well, we calmed down and he hits a great shot just short of the green. As we tell him the story of what happened, which I'm not sure he believed us, THE BALL STEALING CROW flew out of the tree and started moving around his ball. By now I have tears coming out of my eyes as he takes off down the fairway screaming at the crow. Just before he gets too close, the crow grabs his ball and flies off with it to her nest 80 feet up in the pine tree. I still laugh about that to this day and wonder how many golf balls are

up there in that nest, especially if it added two in a matter of 10 minutes?

This story is why the game of golf is so great! Some times you can have fun and it has absolutely nothing to do with how well you hit the ball. Just a bunch of DUDES enjoying being outdoors in a beautiful plantation like The Sea Pines Resort, drinking some cold beer and watching a crow fly off with our balls! FORE REAL DUDE!

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How to place your lead hand (Top Hand) on the Handle.

BY JOE MATHENY

The grip is your only connection with the golf club. Placing your hands properly on the golf club helps you better control the position of you club face at impact. During the swing, your body turns to create power. Since the body is rotating, the club must rotate at the same rate. In other words, the body and the club must turn together as a team.

A fundamentally sound grip helps you create power and feel at the same time. Wrist action is a power source and gripping the club too much in the palm of your hand reduces wrist action.

The fingers are the most sensitive parts of your hand. Placing the club more in the fingers, rather than the palm increases the amount of wrist hinge, which results in longer tee shots and more feel.

Try paying attention to these few things with your grip the next time you're on the range and feel the difference.



DUDE PROFILE: Joe Matheny is a PGA professional, and has been playing golf for over 38 years. Born in August of 1963 in St. Albans West Virginia. At the age of 8 I pick up a golf club and have been holding it ever since. Moving to Hilton Head Island in 1987 was the best thing that ever happened to me. Starting as a assistant at Port Royal and also work as a assistant at Indigo Run. In 1997 I came back to Port Royal has Head Golf Professional. In 2001 I moved to St. Simons Island Ga. to take the the Head Golf Professional at Sea Palms Golf & Tennis Resort. In 2008 I came back to the Lowcountry as Head Golf Professional at Sanctuary Golf Club (formally South Carolina National) In the past 20 years I have met my wife Kathy and we have a son Justin and daughter Linda. In my spare time I coach basketball and golf at Beaufort Academy

MAKE SURE You HIT ENOUGH CLUB DUDE!

BY JOHN HUNDLEY

I have noticed that about 90% of players do not hit enough club. I think they club off of the maximum distance they got out of each club when the stars aligned and they think it will happen again.

Next time you play a round of golf, hit one or two more clubs, so that you can stay in control and in balance. By hitting more club, you will stay in your posture and hit your shot solid most of the time.

You will realize that at most courses you play, there is less trouble over the green and more trouble short of the green. Do not let ego get in the way of shooting lower scores. Unfortunately, you will not be able to brag about hitting your 9 iron 165 yards over water, if the stars do align again, and you make it, but you will make it more times than not when using a 6 or 7 iron.



Happy New Year DUDES! See you on the Course!



DUDE PROFILE: John Hundley is A PGA professional, started swinging a club at age five and hasn't stopped playing since. He first discovered his love of golf in his hometown of Danville, VA. He discovered his love of the South Carolina Lowcountry in 1989 and has never left here. In his over 20 years in the field, Jon has served as assistant at Port Royal Golf club and head golf professional at Wexford Plantation and golf instructor at The Golf Academy of Hilton Head in Sea Pines. He is the founder of the Hilton Head Golf Tour and a 2003 nominee for the Carolina's Section Professional of the Year Award.



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THE FULL SWING MADE SIMPLE

By Rick Barry

DUDES, I know this is the time of year you guys like to concentrate on football bowl games, hunting and fishing. If I had one wish, I wish you DUDES would move golf up on your priority list. By doing this, you will be able to keep your game somewhat together as the Spring 2012 season draws near.

Make it a point to go hit at least one bucket/bag of balls every weekend regardless of temperature. Going out and playing a full round in the 40's and 50's is not really that enjoyable, so make sure you put in your work.

If you are like me and you consider yourself a hard core golfer and you'll play during any temperatures, there's a couple things you need to realize about golfing in colder temperatures. For every 10 degrees below 70, your ball will lose 3 1/2 yards, (ie: if you hit a 7 iron 150 yds at 70 plus degrees, that same club may only travel 140 yds if you're playing temperatures in the 40's.) Also during the winter months, many golf courses over seed with rye grass so the course stays pretty and green, however the golf ball will not roll as easy through this grass, so you'll need to hit more club and swing a bit harder if you are playing it to roll out some.

My New Year's Resolution is to get stronger and do a lot of GOLF EXERCISES. You can find some great golf exercises for the off season, on one of my favorite websites www.TPI.com (Check it out)

If you are the type that likes to learn more about the golf swing and how to do it more perfectly, I have a NEW CD out on THE FULL SWING. It really tells how I teach the swing to my students and how simple it is to do a perfect full



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Don't forget to put in your work this winter, do some exercises and hit the driving range weekly. STRIKE EM WELL!

DUDE PROFILE: Rick Barry, Head Instructor for The Sea Pines Resort On Hilton Head Isl. for 20 years. PGA Member for over 30 years and a life member of the PGA. Golf Magazine Top 100 Teacher 5 years in a row. Top 10 instructor for Golf Digest for the Section for 10 years. Has appeared on the Golf Channel for several shows. This year The "Turn". All About Golf. Tips from the Pros. Conway Golf Info commercial. Written articles in the Golf Magazine January and May of 2008. My teaching brings me in contact with golfers of all skill levels and backgrounds. To grow the game my goal is to get people playing and having fun with the game. The learning can be hard for some and with an easy to do and even more fun doing, program, you can have a game for a life time. I give over 24 hundred lessons a year and see 17 thousand swings on film, so you can say I have seen it all. If your Kevin Costner in Tin Cup or a brand new golfer, DUDE, I can help you. Contact me, Rick Barry: golfhhi@aol.com Sea Pines Resort/Golf (843) 842-8484

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COOKING WITH COOTER BROWN

By Richard Norris

I believe that every DUDE should have at least one possibly a lot more recipes that he can whip up to impress his fellow DUDES or his significant other. We now have this NEW DUDE FORUM where you can send them in to us and we'll select the best ones to share with our DUDE READERS. Enjoy these DUDE RECIPES we got this past fall and send us your best with photos if possible.

Never forget COOTER BROWN's three essentials for having a good time while cooking your favorite foods; GOOD UTENSILS (DUDE cooking tools), A HAND TOWEL (Remember to always wash your hands before you start cooking because your spousal unit will be asking if you did!) And of course, YOUR BEVERAGE OF CHOICE!

Remember DUDES, keep the ingredients SIMPLE, make the directions SIMPLE and SIMPLY GOOD!



DICK'S BISCUITS

3 1/4 cups Southern Biscuit Complete Biscuit Mix
1 1/4 cup buttermilk
1 cup shredded sharp cheddar cheese
1/2 cup self-rising flour

Combine biscuit flour and shredded cheese in a deep bowl. Make a well in the center of the mixture. Gradually pour in buttermilk while stirring. Stir with fork until dough is well mixed. Spread some flour on work space, knead dough until covered well with flour. Spread dough out to about 1/2 inch thick. Cut biscuits and place on baking sheet at 450 till golden brown.



CAPTAIN MIKE'S STEAMED CLAMS & OYSTERS

Buy some fresh clams and or oysters from me at Captain Mike's Bluewater Seafood Market, located on Hwy 170 at the El Cheapo gas station, just down from Oldfield.

Amount depends on how hungry you are and how many DUDES you're feeding.

KNOW YOUR CLAMS DUDE! There are 4 sizes for our great local clams, starting from the smallest and working to the biggest; Little Necks (raw), Cherrystones (steamed), Top Necks (casino) and Chowder (chowda).

Place in pyrex tray and simply microwave until they pop open.

The come out perfectly steamed and it's fast without all the hassle of steamers, etc.

Dip in garlic butter and have at it DUDES.

MAC DADDY'S SHRIMP

Freshly caught Heads On Lowcountry shrimp
(Amount determined how much you want to eat or are feeding)

1/2 pound per person, pound per DUDE

In the largest frying pan you own, sauté, butter, garlic, vidalia onion, bacon/ham, old bay till she's all mixed and bubbling. Place heads on shrimp one side down and let simmer for only a few minutes, then flip shrimp for another few minutes.

When shrimp are pink on both sides, stir all together with the biggest spoon you have, pour on plate or rice or in bowl over pasta of choice.

Squeeze on fresh lemon, sprinkle freshly grated parmesan cheese and a couple good cranks on the pepper mill.

Eat with the coldest beer you have!



JD'S LOWCOUNTRY SMOTHERED QUAIL

Roll 12 quail in flour, salt and pepper, and fry until light brown.

Remove quail from pan and place in dutch oven.

Add water to almost cover the birds.

Add poultry seasoning.

Thicken gravy by simmering for three hours.

Serve over wild rice.



DUDE PROFILE: Richard Norris is an estimator for REA Contracting in Beaufort. He and his wife Jean, a kindergarten teacher at Mossy Oaks Elementary, have been married for 30 years and are both University of South Carolina Graduates. They have two daughters, Jordan who is the Choral Director of The Voices at Beaufort High

School and Meredith who is a Junior at USCB. The Norrises moved to Beaufort in 1988 and can't imagine living anywhere else. Richard was the "Bud Man" at Pearlstine Distributors and he and Jean were Commodore and First Lady of the 50th Beaufort Water Festival. They enjoy boating, going to the beach, and are volunteers with the Friends of Hunting Island.

The Making Of & Enjoying DUDE Cigars...

BY JOE 'THE CIGARTAINER' SWEIGART, CST

Premium cigars are not just for senior executives, the affluent or celebrities. Many hard-working DUDE's and DUDETTE's right here in Beaufort County enjoy the pleasures of the aromatic smoke as a respite from our hectic world. But most do not know the back-story of how cigar tobacco is grown and ultimately rolled into exquisite cigars.

In this issue, I will explain that story and also how I have helped a growing number of DUDE and DUDETTE friends enjoy what I call Long Ashes, Baby!!! Due to space limitations, I can only provide highlights.

For more detailed information, I highly recommend www.tobacconistuniversity.org. They are the education arm of the International Premium Cigar & Pipe Retailers Assoc. (IPCPR), the luxury tobacco industry's largest organization. I have studied the curriculum and passed their test. I am a Certified Sales Tobacconist. It's possible for you to become a Certified Consumer Tobacconist if you are interested.

GROWING TOBACCO

It takes four months to grow tobacco. Tobacco refers to *Nicotiana tabacum*, which is only one of more than sixty species in the botanical genus *Nicotiana*. There are two general classifications, light and dark. Then there are varietal families in both classifications. DUDE cigars would be in the 'dark' classification since we use the Dominican-Criollo varietal for the fillers & binder and the wrappers are in the Connecticut varietal family.

Tiny, almost grain-like, seeds are first planted by hand in individual soil pods approximately 4"x4". They remain in protected greenhouses called Semilleros for one to two months as they germinate. After inspection and pruning, the seedlings are transplanted to the fields where it will take a couple of weeks for the plants to adapt and start growing.

1 oz = 300,000 tobacco seeds

During the next 90 to 110 days, the plants are visited daily to make sure the perfect amount of water is applied and to check for parasites and fungi. The farmers also remove the weak leaves. They care for the plants as if they were children. Most farmers began working the fields when they were children and learning their family's 'secrets' for preparing the leaf.

When the plants are mature, they are about 10 to 14 feet tall with flowers at the top and 14 to 16 leaves on the stalk. The flowers are 'topped' (removed) because that's where the buds are that contain the seeds for future plants. Then the harvest process begins. The farmers pick two to three leaves from the bottom of every plant once a week in a process called 'priming.'



There are no machines used except to transport the primed leaves to the drying barns. There, the leaves are sewn into pairs and hung on lathes, known as 'cujes'. The cujes are raised high into the 'casa de tabaco' to begin the air-curing process. As the tobacco dries, it turns from green to yellow to brown over two months.

Once dry, the tobacco is moved to warehouses and stacked into 4 feet cubes known as 'pilones' or 'burros.' The weight of the tobacco causes heat to build in the center breaking down the ammonia and impurities. This 'fermentation' can last for seven to nine months as the farmers rotate the tobacco as it reaches certain

temperatures. Of course, every step of the process is carefully observed and recorded.

There are several types of tobacco leaves: ligero, seco, capote & volado. Ligero leaves are at the top of the stalk and remain there the longest so they are the strongest in flavor. Capote leaves are near the bottom and used for binders. After fermentation, the leaves are sorted for aging.

After sorting, the tobacco is placed in sackcloth bundles and stored in climate-controlled warehouses. This aging process is called 'anejamiento' and can last for up to four years for the strongest tobaccos (ligero).

WRAPPERS

Wrapper leaf is grown and processed the same way except with more care. In the early 1900's, it was discovered that tobacco grown under the shade of trees had finer veins and was more supple. Farmers began covering entire fields with muslin or cheesecloth, particularly in the Connecticut River Valley, USA.

Today, Connecticut Shade tobacco is the world's most prized and beautiful wrapper leaves. It wraps many of the finest cigars including DUDE because of its silky texture and consistent light tan to golden brown color. Even though it's only one leaf, it has significant impact on the flavor of premium cigars.

BLENDING & ROLLING

After the farmers pick the finest tobaccos for their own brands, they sell to other manufacturers and warehouses in Miami and Tampa. The Cuban maestro who makes DUDE cigars buys our tobacco in Miami. He carefully selects the best-of-the-best in person and never simply orders over the phone.

During the eleven years we've worked together, we sampled several blends of Dominican and Connecticut tobaccos. Since we have traveled the country and smoked with literally thousands of aficionados and novices, we've had the opportunity to select a blend that many have called 'the best cigar they ever smoked'.

Back in the factory in Ft. Pierce, FL, our tabaquero and his wife begin the rolling process, which they both learned in Havana, Cuba. They do not use a 'liberman pre-rolling machine' like the manufacturers in the DR. They use the entubado method of bunching which is the most complex and time-consuming system.

Pre-rolling each filler leaf into a tube (it takes five filler leaves to make a 50 ring cigar) before applying the binder produces the 'Cuban draw.' While applying the wrapper, they carefully remove remaining veins to make sure the cigar looks smooth. They finish each one with the triple cap (3-ring finish) typical of the great Cuban cigars before attaching the label.

ENJOYING DUDE CIGARS

Over the years, I have enjoyed what I call Long Ashes, Baby with VIP guests of the sponsor of The Heritage of Golf, other companies that bring clients and prospects to the tournament, companies that provide hospitality parties during other times of the year on HHI and Beaufort, golf tournaments, the wine festival, the Ducks Unlimited Banquet, many others including individuals like the Mayor of HHI.

Something special happens when you relax and enjoy a great DUDE cigar. It's called camaraderie and smiles or as I call it...

Long Ashes, Baby!!!



Joe with Hilton Head Island Mayor Drew Laughlin



DUDE PROFILE: Joe 'the Cigartainer' Sweigart is the author of the popular book *Long Ashes, Baby*. Has been in the luxury tobacco industry since 1993. Joe is a Certified Sales Tobacconist by Tobacconist University and an Ambassador for Cigar Rights of America. His company specializes in private label premium cigars and cigar rolling events. You can contact Joe via cell phone 404-441-4438 or email joe@longashesbaby.com

Happenings at Coastal Discovery Museum

COME CHILL OUT WITH US THIS WINTER!

BY BRAD McDONALD

"ANIMALS OF THE LOWCOUNTRY" FROM OATLAND ISLAND WILDLIFE CENTER

December 27th and 29th
10:30 and 11:30 am.

Participants will learn about lowcountry animals, as they might see a barred owl, corn snake, alligator, opossum, flying squirrel, armadillo and more.

Adults \$12 Children \$7.00
Advance reservations required
843-689-6767 ext 223



STAR NIGHT at the Coastal Discovery Museum at Honey Horn



Want to learn how to locate Constellations in the Winter Hexagon?

The cold dry air of winter offers the best star gazing viewing experience to "star hop" the constellations of Taurus, Canus Major, Canus Minor, Gemini and Auriga. This 2 hour program starts inside the Discovery House with a brief introduction led by Marie McClune and Kristen Mattson.

Monday, January 23 at 6:00 pm \$7.00 per person
(bring a flashlight and binoculars)

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NEW HARMONIES SUNDAY CONCERT SERIES

Sun. Jan. 8th

FolkUs and The Hungry Monks in concert, 3 p.m.

at ArtWorks, 2127 Boundary Street

FolkUs is a classic folk trio comprised of Al Sturdevant, Bill Smith & Dave Hoffman, all residents of Sun City. They have played several venues in the Lowcountry sharing their flair for performance with enthusiastic audiences. Charleston based folk group, **The Hungry Monks**, are centered around the creative talents of Hazel Ketchum on guitar, percussion and vocals, and John Holenko on mandolin, guitar and vocals. The Hungry Monks weave a rich tapestry of sound, melodic and rhythmic, grounded in the folk traditions of many cultures. No admission charge. Donations encouraged.

Sun. Jan. 15th

Community Sing,

Local choirs will sing traditional spirituals in a community sing-along.

6:30 p.m. at Frissell House at Penn Center, St. Helena Island

Sun. Jan. 22nd

Blue Mudd in Concert

3 p.m. at ArtWorks, 2127 Boundary Street

No admission charge. Donations encouraged.

Digging deep down into their Lowcountry roots, **Blue Mudd** explores a diverse repertoire of Americana. The band features Beek Webb's mandolin and fiddle and Vic Varner's smooth voice accompanied by acoustic rhythm guitar.

Sun. Jan. 29th

Drink Small, South Carolina's legendary bluesman in concert

3 p.m. at ArtWorks, 2127 Boundary Street

No admission charge. Donations encouraged.

Drink Small (his real name) was born in 1933 in Bishopville (Lee County), SC. Known worldwide as "The Blues Doctor", he plays virtuoso blues guitar, two-fisted piano, and sings in an inimitable basso profundo voice. Drink is a recipient of the S.C. Folk Heritage Award, a member of the S.C. Hall of Fame, and has spent his life touring, recording, and playing a spectrum of Southern roots music. He has performed at some of the nation's top music festivals - Chicago Blues Festival, New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, King Biscuit Blues Festival, Smithsonian-Folklife Festival, Mississippi Valley Blues Festival, Lincoln Center and Central Park concert series (NYC), and every major blues festival in the Southeast.

Mardi Gras 2012

takes over the Shed on Paris Avenue in Old Village Port Royal

In support of ARTworks, the community arts center in Beaufort, the Mardi Gras committee is pleased to announce that the annual Mardi Gras gala will be **Saturday, January 28, 2012**, from 7 to 11 **at The Shed on Paris Avenue** in Old Village Port Royal SC. The gala features live music from the fiery Dwayne Dopsie and the Zydeco Hellraisers direct from New Orleans, in their third year of fueling this dance party with flaming accordion and a mean washboard. So, guests should dress festively and warm up their dancing muscles for a night of conga lines, boogeying, stompin' and generally putting on the ritz. The event also

includes a silent auction, a cash bar, a parade of beady delights, and food by Berry Island Cafe~ jambalaya and white chocolate bread pudding, the signature New Orleans dessert. Kings and Queens will be chosen! **Tickets are \$60 until December 15, and \$75 thereafter.** ARTworks is the coolest arts council in the Carolinas, and a community arts center that applies the many creative tools of The Arts to strengthen artists, and enrich audiences, collectors, and visitors through high quality arts experiences and arts education programs 365 days a year.

pictured: Dwayne Dopsie on accordion, Alex McDonald on washboard.



AFTERSCHOOL BEGINS JANUARY 24

After school @ ARTworks registering now

Children 6 to 16 can make and learn about art in Beaufort's creatively-equipped community arts center during the creativity-inspiring after school program, which is \$50 per class per seven week session, 4 to 5:30pm, January 24-March 8. Family discounts are available; scholarships supported by a private family foundation are awarded to students who qualify for free/reduced price lunch.

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In the black box theater @ ARTworks:

February 10 & 11, 2012, at 7:30, all seats \$7.

"The Exonerated" from Misspent Youth Productions, a staged reading in the Black Box Theater at ARTworks in Beaufort Town Center. Culled from interviews, letters, transcripts, case files and the public record, "The Exonerated" tells the true stories of six wrongfully convicted survivors of death row in their own words.

February 17 & 18, 2012,

at 7:30, all seats \$7.

"The Pillowman" from the Palmetto Theater Experiment, a staged reading in the Black Box Theater at ARTworks in Beaufort Town Center. With echoes of Stoppard, Kafka, and the Brothers Grimm, "The Pillowman" centers on a writer in an unnamed totalitarian state who is being interrogated about the gruesome content of his short stories and their similarities to a series of child murders.

OPEN CASTING CALL @ ARTWORKS

January 11 & 12, 7pm. Actors of all experience levels needed for two readings and two staged productions, materials provided. The readings are 'The Pillowman', produced by The Palmetto Theater Experiment and directed by Matthew Donnelly, and 'The Exonerated,' produced by Misspent Youth Productions, both performed in February. Misspent Youth is also casting for a fully staged production of 'Catholic School Girls,' performed in March. The Experiment is casting for a fully staged production of 'Picasso at the Lapin Agile,' written by Steven Martin and performed in June.

DAUFUSKIE ISLAND SNOW BIRDS

By Lowcountry Joe ©
Photo By Ed Kelly

This Sunday morning in January breaks clear and crisp as I force myself out of the coziness of my down covered bed. Sunlight

creeps through curtained windows and chirping sounds of a Carolina Wren herald the dawning of God's special day.

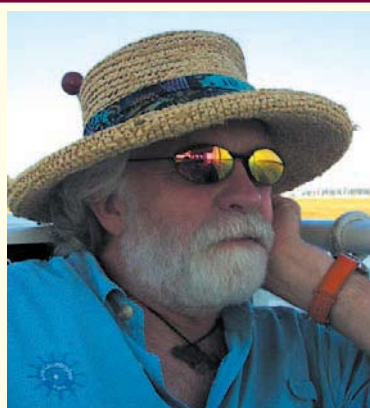
I used to be an early bird when I lived in Pennsylvania. For me, weekend mornings were made for fishing and watching the sun rise over the calm mist covered waters of Tamarack Lake. But lately, as the years have progressed, I have been just as happy snuggling next to my Bride and floating away into the serenity of never-never land. As Mary turns and gets the pillow just right, I fight off "snoozing second thoughts" as I am determined to experience first hand the beauty of this new found day.

After an invigorating shower with the window open to let in the fresh sea air, I make my way to an outdoor bench next to my very own pond. I am greeted by a Carolina Chickadee singing "chic-a de-dee" as it happily flutters about in a low-lying bush. Its mate answers the call and soon I am being surrounded by a whole plethora of fidgety little birds. I chuckle as the spectacle reminds me of the scenes in Cinderella where they fly about helping make her dress. As I lean back and sip my coffee in this newly created aviary, a tufted titmouse gets into the act with its "S'you.....S'you" and then all of a sudden an eerie silence.

My first thought is to look skyward for a red-shouldered hawk that frequently has left feathers strewn about in my yard after a recent kill....But all I see is a clear Carolina blue sky....and then....it's Alfred Hitchcock time! Somehow my little friends instinctively knew of the coming of "THE BIRDS". I mean real big birds, black Boat-Tailed crackles. At first only a few were visible at the tip top of the tall standing loblolly pines and then, just like in the movie, they arrived. Not hundred but thousands of them swooping out of the sky echoing their sharp gurgles and "chur chur" chirps.

At first, I must say that I was given quite a startle but I quickly reminded myself that Hitchcock was really strange and that eye-pecking only happened in the movies. And after all, these birds, pesky and ominous as they looked were only using my yard as a resting place on their trip back North. Soon they migrated from the trees to the ground and then back again....but it wasn't their magnificently coordinated movements that was fascinating.... it was their sound. Sitting on that bench in the middle of Mother Nature's spectacle was like having the best seat in a huge amphitheater with the best of acoustics and speakers. Their high pitched melody migrated from ear to ear and then in some kind of grand finale they screeched and squawked in unison and were gone. I looked back toward the house hoping that Mary had been aroused by the spectacle and had shared it with me, but there was no such luck. She was still in la-la land and it would be my experience alone to reminisce and marvel at and to share in friendly conversation and the written word.

A freshening breeze out of the East brings the soothing sounds of the ocean waves and the Chickadees come to life. A bass feeds on an ill fated fly and the ripples quietly spread over the velvety waters of the pond. As I prepare for Church I will have a renewed reason to resound an emotional AMEN when the Reverend utters his favorite opening remark "Isn't this a great day to be alive?"



DUDE PROFILE: Lowcountry Joe ©

Once characterized by Tiger Woods former coach Hank Haney as a "local legend", Joe Yocius, aka LowCountry Joe, seems to always fit the bill. Truly one of the Lowcountry's "unique" people, it's hard to find a dull moment with this guy around. Whether it be "sitting in" at a Hilton Head juke joint blowin' the blues on his harmonica, offering "tastes" at the historic Silver Dew Winery, or relating personal ghost experiences on his Bloody Point Ghost Tours, LCJoe is the epitome of a "Daufuskie Dude". Joe and his lovely Bride Mary of thirty seven (38) years are Owner/Keepers of the CIRCA 1883 Bloody Point Lighthouse.



Good News and Views in the New Year

By Mona Ward

I don't think I'm the only one that is glad to see 2011 exit the calendar. What a year!

But since we don't have a magic 8 Ball to tell us what to expect, it may be up to our own self to dictate our success and plan for our happiness.

Now I'm no angel and I have bad days like everyone else but I really strive for a good attitude, try to keep a smile and really like to make others happy. But, sometimes it's up to you to create your own joy.

- Before you even get out of bed, your day's successes and happiness are already starting to take form. The way you adjust your attitude will have a big consideration on how your days going to pan out. I'm not saying a smile on your face will prevent you from stubbing your toe on the way to your morning coffee, but it does help you get through the rough patches of the day if you keep a good attitude.
- Workout! Seriously, hitting the gym or doing physical activity pumps up the endorphins and gives you that "feel good" feeling for hours afterwards (probably because we're so happy we're done with our workout!) Try to set a do-able accomplishment like 10 push-ups or 50 crunches. You'll be happy knowing you set a goal and did it!
- Banish negative thoughts (and people). When you think about it, something could always be worse and there's someone who doesn't have it as good as you do. Is it really something so big that it has to ruin your whole day? And, don't let the Debbie Downer's of the world dictate how your days going. If you think positive and surround yourself with positive, good things will happen. Don't criticize, encourage and give thanks.
- Give yourself a break. If you ate a whole pizza last night, well that was last night. MOVE ON!!! Take responsibility but forgive yourself.
- Reward yourself for a job well done. I don't mean grab a six pack of beer because you had a good score in Modern Warfare 3, I mean give yourself an internal "Attaboy" high five. Keep a mental note of all the good things you did today and that alone will make you happy.
- Have SEX with your spouse! Our bad moods can be fixed with one simple pleasure. Grab your partner and practice. Stress makes us agitated and not fun to be around, but when you have sex, you release feel-good hormones. Plus, Research has shown that we get sick less and live longer when we have regular sex.

So think about it; keep up the positive, disregard the negative, don't be too hard on yourself and have regular sex. Just the sex part alone won't allow for negative thoughts and it's a double thumbs up too because it counts as a physical activity and a reward for a job well done. I'm smiling already!



DUDE PROFILE: Ramona Ward has been married for 23 years to Freddie Ward and has been living in the Lowcountry for 30 years. She's been a Bluffton resident for 12 years. Mona has 3 dogs (all adopted and overly adored). She is the Sports Club Director, Oldfield Club, as well as a Personal Trainer and Fitness instructor through AFPA. She enjoys skiing, wakeboarding, cooking, (eating, Duh!) hopping on the big bike and getting out of town...All forms of crazy activities. Personal motto - It's more fun to color outside the lines!!!

FLOORS TO GO



*Teaming up with
Arley Wholesale*

By Steve Fisher



Recently Arley Wholesale flooring had its 9th annual Classic and Tradeshow in Scranton, PA. My wife Bonnie and I attended as their guests and as one of their biggest clients. They roll out the red carpet and the Tradeshow is accompanied by a fantastic Classic golf tournament. While we were there, I was interviewed by Floor Covering Weekly, The Industry's Business News & Information Resource. I'd like to share some of their questions and our quotes, so you'll get to know us even better and realize that we are the locals number one source to check out when it comes to your flooring needs.

Q: How did you get started doing business with Arley?

Fisher: A very polite and charismatic representative came into our showroom one day to introduce us to their product and provided us with pricing. It has been a great business relationship ever since.

Q: What about the company keeps you loyal?

Fisher: The excellent pricing and the best customer service we've experienced.

Q: What makes Arley different in the market?

Fisher: If you're looking for a special product — something other than the normal — Arley will go the extra mile to help you.

Q: What are some of the fresh ideas Arley brings to the market in regards to those products?

Fisher: Arley has helped us stay ahead in our market, offering fresh well-priced quality products. We are currently stocking their 20 x 20 tiles. There are a lot of people that own second homes and need a quick turnaround as far as installation. This gives us an edge in the competition with this superior product.

So, when you are ready to talk flooring, especially tile, give us a call at Floors To Go and we'll be glad to show you some of the fine quality tile that Arley has been providing since 1935. We'll be glad to come out and give you a FREE ESTIMATE on your favorite rooms in your house that are in need of a special, classy, durable, beautiful upgrade that is TILE. The New Year is a great time to get your home improvement flooring needs taken care of, so you'll be ready to get outdoors when Springtime rolls around.

*Happy New Year From All Of Us Here At Floors
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Bonnie & Steve Fisher

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THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT & DUDE WATERING HOLE GUIDE

DUDES love LIVE ENTERTAINMENT and here you'll find it every issue. First up, we'll look at regional venues and let you know where and when the big names are jammin LIVE. Next, we will have an up to date comprehensive entertainment directory of where you can find it LIVE in Beaufort County. We will break it down for you by geographic areas; Hilton Head Island, Bluffton and Beaufort. If you see something or someplace we've left out, please send us an email or give us a call and we'll get it in the next issue.

Located no more than a couple hours up the road is the NORTH CHARLESTON COLISEUM & THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER. These great venues have a nice variety of live events this Winter; Thursday, February 2nd, 8pm, it's JIMMY BUFFET and his CORAL REEFER BAND, Monday, February 13th at the PAC, 8pm, DARIUS RUCKER sings the songs of FRANK SINATRA, Hootie singing Frank?! That should be interesting, Friday, February 24th, 7:30pm it's Country Music's Female Vocalist of The Year, Red Hot MIRANDA LAMBERT and her ON FIRE TOUR and Tuesday, February 28th at the PAC 7:30pm, it's THE PINK FLOYD EXPERIENCE. See you on the dark side of the moon DUDES!

The Savannah Civic Center located only about 30 minutes down the road has a pretty good line up this winter; Friday, December 16th, 8pm Rock and Roll with STYX with CONNOR CHRISTIAN & SOUTHERN GOTHIC, it will be a Grand Illusion, Saturday, January 21st, 8pm at the Johnny Mercer Theatre, GREGG ALLMAN will stagger out on stage, Thursday, February 2nd, 7:30pm our hometown boy, ERIC CHURCH performs his BLOOD, SWEAT & BEERS TOUR with special guests, BRANTLEY GILBERT and for all you lovers out there, on Tuesday, February 14th, 8pm it's the Legendary WILLIE NELSON. Beware of second hand smoke!

Located a few hours down the road is JACKSONVILLE VETERANS MEMORIAL ARENA and they have a few shows scheduled that are worth mentioning this Winter; Tuesday, January 31st, 8pm JIMMY BUFFET and his CORAL REEFER BAND play their "WELCOME TO FIN LAND" TOUR, Thursday, February 9th, 7:30pm at great country music show by RASCAL FLATTS with special guest, the very hot, SARA EVANS and finally on Friday, February 10th, 8pm, it's the very talented, JEFF DUNHAM and his "CONTROLLED CHAOS" show featuring ACKMED the dead terrorists, "Be quiet, I KILL YOU!"

The COLONIAL LIFE ARENA on the campus of the University of South Carolina in Columbia, has only one show worth mentioning this winter on Saturday, January 28th, it's the very popular RED HOT CHILI PEPPERS.

HILTON HEAD ISLAND

SEA PINES RESORT

THE QUARTERDECK (843) 671-2224 Located under the candy stripped lighthouse in Harbor Town Yacht Basin. Live entertainment around one of the best sunsets on the island.

HARBORSIDE CAFE (843) 842-1444 Located just outside the Crazy Crab, this cool little outdoor spot is a great place to chill and enjoy some live local entertainers.

THE SALTY DOG CAFE (843) 671-2233 Located in South Beach Marina. Great for outdoor evening cocktails and local live guitarists, Dave Kemmerly and Bruce Crichton playing most nights.

COLIGNY BEACH AREA

POOL BAR JIM'S Located oceanside at The Marriot's Grand Ocean Resort. Long time local and friend Jim Lisenby makes simply the best fresh fruit frozen drinks in Beaufort County. Go online and purchase his frozen drink book, www.poolbarjims.com

HINCHEY'S CHICAGO BAR & GRILL (843) 686-5959 Located in the Metropolitan Hotel on South Forest Beach Drive. Great line up on entertainment! Check them out on Facebook.

THE TIKI HUT (843) 785-5126 Located at the Holiday Inn Oceanfront, South Forest Beach Drive. Beachside cold beverages, cool live local tunes, beach volleyball and plenty of hot bikini babes.

THE BEACH MARKET

DANIEL'S (843) 341-9379 A very cool spot near the beach. Great new upscale feel with a great wine bar, outdoor seatings with some cool late night happenings.

FLATBREAD GRILL (843) 341-2225 Located in the old Hinchey's, This upscale casual dining spot has been completely made over. You should go just to see it. Great place to water down after coming off the beach DUDE.

COLIGNY PLAZA BY THE SEA

The BIG BAMBOO CAFE (843) 686-3443 Our friend, Tristan usually has a pretty good line up of live tunes with Live Reggae by Patwa, The Beagles (Beatles tribute band) and locals Jack Jones and Angie Aparo jammin in to the wee hours.

STEAMERS SEAFOOD (843) 785-

2070 They usually have someone playing guitar on the outdoor patio most evenings in the summer.

SKILLETS CAFE (843) 785-3131 Our long time friend, Amie has local talent such as Tim Malchak playing on weekends and they have a great Sunday Brunch.

THE FROSTY FROG (843) 686-FROG A GREAT daiquiri bar DUDES. They always have cool tunes playing.

JAVA JOE'S (843) 686-5282 Great fresh beans and outdoor patio. "Open Mic" night on Wednesdays is a late night blast. Get all jacked up and enjoy some of the island's best talent.

BOMBORA'S GRILL (843) 689-BOMB(2662) Located beside Java Joes, the newest chill bar on the island. They offer new "BOTTOMS UP" pour system and CHILL DISCS at the bar to keep 'um cold. Outdoor seating and dining with a great unique menu. Check out their website www.bomborasgrille.com and find them on Facebook.

IT'S GREEK TO ME (843) 842-4033 Great near the beach bar, Bill's Hideaway upstairs and downstairs it's Greek Salads and Gyros. Say hello to our good friend Kathy. Service with a smile!

POPE AVENUE

THE SAGE ROOM (843) 785-5352 Long time friends, Carol and Matt Jording have one of the island's hidden jewels. Great wine bar a very possibly the best steak I've ever had. Nebraska corn fed 32oz monster ribeye. Not for vegans!

MURPHY'S IRISH PUB (843) 842-3448 Serving from 2pm... Brilliant!

AUNT CHILADA'S EASY STREET CAFE (843) 785-7700 Long time friend and islander, David Reilley has a great restaurant bar that has a most comfortable feel to it. A great local watering hole.

THE WILD WING CAFE (843) 785-9464 Located in the Bi-Lo Center. Diane and Cecil Crowley started this great regional chain hangout right here on the island. Their promotions say it all, Cold Beer, Hot Wings and Good Times. Great Live entertainment spot.

HILTON HEAD PLAZA, aka "THE BARMUDA TRIANGLE"

JUMP AND PHIL'S BAR & GRILL (843) 785-9070 Long time friends and islanders, Jumpy and Phil have one of the great local islander watering holes. Green Bay Packers headquarters DUDES!

REILLEY'S (843) 842-4414 One of the island's original bars. Reilley's is the epitome of the Irish Pub.

THE LODGE BEER & GROWLER BAR (843) 842-8966 Your premier BEER BAR with 36 rotating craft taps (available to go) and more than 100 bottled beers. Pool Tables & Darts! Burgers, dogs and fries available.

ONE HOT MAMA'S AMERICAN GRILL (843) 682-6262 BBQ at its finest. DJ rocks MAMA'S every Friday and Saturday nights.

CORKS WINE CO. (843) 815-5168 Publix Center next to Staples. Neighborhood Wine Bar. Monday-Saturday Open at 4pm. Occasional LIVE MUSIC on the weekends. Good eats, Great wine!



Parris Island Marine Corps Band

THE DRYDOCK (843) 842-9775 (LOCATED BEHIND CVS @ POPE AVE) long time friends Rob, Rich, Pete and John have a great, stop in anytime for a cold one place. Live Entertainment most weekends, so check with them to see who's jammin the deck at the dock. Sundays BBQ & Band starts around 3 pm.

PARK PLAZA

MARLEY'S ISLAND GRILL (843) 686-5800 Great island flavored bar with open kitchen where you can see Chef Brad Blake perform. They also have a great outdoor ice store to cool you down.

THE MELLOW MUSHROOM (843) 686-2474 Come check out their new digs. Great bar, great fresh pizza and usually some cool tunes playing.

THE ELECTRIC PIANO (843) 785-KEYS Late evening, piano bar with great drinks and great pianists playing requests. Every Friday is Ladies Night, with our homeboys, THE SIMPSON BROTHERS. Every Saturday night come jam with THE GROOVETONES!

NEW ORLEANS ROAD

BISTRO MEZZALUNA (843) 842-5011 Located in Fountain Center behind McDonald's. They are hosting some great Live Dance music from local bands such as TARGET. Tapas & Wine Bar. Now open on Sundays

CALLAHAN'S SPORTS BAR & DELUXE GRILL (843) 686-POOL

CASEY'S SPORTS BAR & GRILL (843) 785-2255 Say hello to our good friend, Woody. He has more TV's than any bar in Beaufort county. Your game, they have it on!

HINOKI JAPANESE RESTAURANT & SUSHI BAR (843) 785-9800 THE BEST sushi bar in all of Beaufort County. Say hello to Chi Chi and Teru Son.

CHARLIE'S L'ETOILE VERTE (843) 785-9277 DUDES, our long time friend and HHI legend, Jeff Mix is now behind the bar, so go in and eat in the bar and let Jeff serve you up some of the Island's best French cuisine. If you've never been to Charlie's you don't know what you're missing.

THE VILLAGE AT WEXFORD

EAT! (843) 785-4850 Food Network's Robert Irvin's classic bistro. You know the food is exquisite and now behind the bar is none other than THE BIG MAN, Steve Flannery.

THE JAZZ CORNER (843) 842-8620 Live Jazz is hard to beat and they serve it up 7 days a week. Locals Earl Williams and Lavon Stevens frequent this hot spot with world class jazz artists.

BRITISH OPEN PUB (843) 686-6736 Long time friend and islander, Damian Hayes has one sweet British Open Golf Pub. A great DUDE watering hole along with wonderful prime rib and lobstahs!

WINE TIMES IV (843) 341-9463 Wine by the taste, 1/2 glass, full glass or bottle. Tapas and more!

SHELTER COVE & PALMETTO DUNES

SANTE FE CAFE (843) 785-3838 Fantastic southwestern style cantina. Located upstairs is one of the coolest outdoor bars on the island. Great wine selection. They usually have a live guitar playing on the deck.

XO LOUNGE (843) 341-8080 Located in Palmetto Dunes inside the Hilton Oceanfront Resort, a new upper scale lounge with live entertainment most evenings.

SHELTER COVE HARBOUR

SAN MIGUEL'S (843) 842-4555 Mexican On The Marina.

Fabulous outdoor harbor side bar with live entertainment most evenings. Our long time friends, Maryann and Scott with help from Hot Mama Kim do a great job! The Islands BEST MARGARITAS!

PARROT COVE GRILL & BAR (843) 341-3500 Located in Harbourside II. If you're a Parrothead, never fear, Jimmy always has Jimmy Buffet playing, suck down some cold brews and see how many pounds of crab legs you can eat. The covered outdoor seating is most enjoyable in the warm spring months and Jimmy has it LIVE, 7 nights a week.

PALMETTO BAY ROAD

THE GOLD CLUB (843) 842-2999 Located on Dunnagans Alley behind Island Tire is Beaufort County's only Gentlemen's Club. DUDES there is no substitute for skin and poles!

BEACH BREAK GRILL (843) 785-2466. This cool little spot is run by long time local, Stefan. The quaint atmosphere is great at this little untamed seafood spot. They serve up live music most evenings on the weekends.

SMOKEHOUSE (843) 842-4227 Award winning smoked BBQ and they have a nice stage set up in the bar for live music Thursday-Saturday starting at 9:30pm. 15 TV's.

REMY'S BAR & GRILL (Just down Arrow Road) (843) 842-3800 www.remysbarandgrill.com and Remy's Bar on Facebook. Not many people deliver LIVE MUSIC 7 NIGHTS A WEEK! This new location is awesome DUDES! Roy will always be serving up his famous "Meat and 3" homecooked lunches.

PALMETTO BAY MARINA

BLACK MARLIN HURRICANE BAR (843) 785-4950 Waterside bar that has very comfortable outdoor seating with fantastic cuisine in a Key West type atmosphere. Weekend Brunch & NEW Daiquiri bar.

CAPTAIN WOODY'S BAR & GRILL (843) 785-2400 Many locals find this place for Happy Hour. Russell & Shannon Wright have great outdoor seating mingled in with the Hurricane Bar.

HILTON HEAD ISLAND NORTH-END

CHEAP SEATS TAVERN (843) 689-2202 New spot on Mathews Drive. Rob and Brian Hummel's brain child run by Jake Veldran and Pat Delello. 10 flat screens.

STREET MEET TAVERN (843) 842-2570 Located in Port Royal Plaza beside Reiley's North. This is Cleveland Brownie and OSU Buckeye headquarters. Best Hot Dog Award and a Fish Fry every Friday night.

REILEY'S NORTH (843) 681-4153 The legendary island's favorite Irish Pubs north end version.

HILTON HEAD COMEDY CLUB (843) 681-7757 Pineland Shopping Center. Showtimes Tuesday-Sunday 8pm.

MAIN STREET

FRANKIE BONES RESTAURANT & LOUNGE (843) 682-4455 Tiki Drink Menu. DUDES, 3 words...THE VOLCANO BOWL. Order one and then call a cab. Great martinis as well.

WISEGUYS (843) 842-8866 Located next to each other are these two great SERG places for fine wine and cuisine.

MAINSTREET CAFE & PUB (843) 689-3999 One of our favorite DUDES on the island, the infamous "BIG MURPH" runs the bar and not only will you find a great dining menu, you'll find some great live entertainment most weekends. Tell John and Bill we said hello and jump on some of those ALL YOU CAN EAT CRABLEGS!

DOWN SQUIRE POPE ROAD

SKULL CREEK BOATHOUSE (843) 681-3663 One of HHI's true gems for DUDES to dine inside or outside and enjoy their spectacular sunset views. They occasionally have live entertainment on the outdoor deck. If it's fresh seafood and sunset you crave, DUDE this is the place!

BLUFFTON

KELLY'S TAVERN (843) 837-3353 A cool locals watering hole located in Buckingham Plantation/Old South. Iced cold beer and maybe biggest Rueben sandwich anywhere.

BRITISH OPEN PUB (New Location) Sheridan Park beside Sonic (843) 705-4005

KATIE O'DONALD'S (843) 815-5555 Bluffton does have a great Irish Pub and this is it DUDES. Our long time friend "Big Don" runs the show and many locals find it the best watering hole. Fantastic place for lunch and dinner in Kitties Crossing.....one word DUDES....GUINNESS! See ad this issue.

WILD WING CAFE (843) 837-9453 Located beside Golden Corral. Pretty much the same deal as the HHI wing, just a bit newer. Good variety of live entertainment most weekends.



PEPPER'S PORCH (843) 757-2295 Located on May River Road, dining indoors with a great outdoor party spot complete with an outdoor bar. Voted 2009 Best Top Ten Beer Gardens.

POUR RICHARD'S (843) 757-1999 4376 Buckwalter Parkway. Richard and Ally create such great pairings each night. Check out their FB page and website www.pourrichardsbluffton.com for the menu. Open Monday-Saturday 5:30-10:00 pm.

MONTANA'S RESTAURANT & GRIZZLY BAR (843)-815-BEAR Great beautiful bar with multiple TV's. Great steaks, ribs and a killer Sunday Brunch. Give em a call they now have some of the best LIVE entertainment around on weekends.

CAPTAIN WOODY'S (843) 757-6222 Located in the promenade, Russell & Shannon Wright's second Capt. Woody's. Great bar inside and an upstairs with an outdoor deck. Live entertainment upstairs on the deck. Tim Malchak and our homie, Jim Davidson.

OLD TOWN DISPENSARY

(843) 837-1893 Cool watering hole at 15 Captain's Cove. Monday-Saturday Open at noon. Tapas at 5pm.

9 PROMENADE (843) 706-9994 Bluffton's Hottest Martini Lounge & Bar. Monday-Saturday 5:00 pm-12:00 am. Tell Freddie we said hello!

CORKS WINE CO. (843) 815-5168 Located in the Promenade. Monday-Saturday Open at 4pm. Good food, Great wine!

JOCK'S SPORTS BAR

& GRILLE (843) 815-7474 Located on Baylor Dr. in the Publix center behind the Island Packet, where DUDE is proudly printed by the way.

OKATIE

BRITISH OPEN PUB II (843) 705-4005 Our long time friend, Damian Hayes' second BOP. Located inside the gates of Sun City. A great DUDE watering hole along with wonderful prime rib and lobstahs! Sun City DUDES can go there in their golf carts. Live Entertainment on weekends.

OKATIE ALE HOUSE (843) 706-2537 Located outside the back gate to Sun City. Nice indoor and outdoor bars. Live entertainment on weekends on the back deck.

FULL MOON SALOON/SUNSET PIZZERIA (843) 987-1600 Located on Hwy 170. Great bar with great fresh made pies! Been know to have Karaoke on occasion.

TAILGATORS (843) 645-BEER Under NEW management located at the end of Argent Road behind Wal-Mart, in the old Diane's spot. A place where everyone knows your name. Friday Karaoke and All your favorite football games on flat screens.

BEAUFORT

Across the Broad River is HISTORIC BEAUFORT and a lot of the entertainment on this side comes in the form of festivals, concert series, etc. A schedule compliments of the great www.beaufortchamber.org is where you can see the local calendar of events.

DOWNTOWN BEAUFORT

LUTHER'S RARE & WELL DONE (843) 521-1888 Michael Stavac/Proprietor, 910 Bay Street, Overlooking Waterfront Park, great for burger and brews DUDE. LIVE MUSIC Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

NIPPY'S (843) 379-8555 310 West Street, LIVE MUSIC every Thursday and Friday night 6-8:30 pm

PLUMS (843) 525-1946, 904 Bay Street, Lance Price runs a great dining spot for lunch or dinner. Oyster Bar! Overlooking Waterfront Park, LIVE MUSIC some Thursdays, but every Friday and Saturday.

SALTUS (843) 379-3474, 802 Bay Street, another one of Lance's jewels. Very upscale with fresh sushi, Overlooking Wterfront Park, Friday Night LIVE beginning at 8:30pm.

PANINI'S (843) 379-0300, 926 Bay Street, LIVE MUSIC Saturdays.

WREN (843) 524-9463, 210 Carteret Street, occasional entertainment.

BREAKWATER RESTAURANT & BAR (843) 379-0052, 203 Carteret Street. Very fresh seafood delicacies.

HEMINGWAY'S (843) 521-4480, 920 Bay Street, Just simply one of the coolest DUDE watering holes around. DUDE, finding it is half the fun!

EMILY'S TAPAS BAR (843) 522-1866, 906 Port Republic St.

ROBERT SMALLS PARKWAY

SAND BAR & GRILL (843) 524-FOOD (3663) This is a COOL NEW SPOT DUDE, located next to the movie theatre in Beaufort Plaza. Great friendly staff. Great Village Inn style Pizzas, Burgers, Wings and Beer! Before or after the movie. \$1 OFF during HAPPY HOUR Monday-Friday 4-7pm

BOUNDARY STREET

ROSIE O'GRADY'S (843) 379-7676, 2127 Boundary Street/ Beaufort Town Center DUDE friends, Michael & Leslie Pressley have one of the coolest watering holes. KARAOKE Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays, if there is not a live band playing most Saturdays. The BEST burgers, buffalo shrimp and fried chicken lives this side of the Broad River.

HECKLER'S SPORTS BAR (843) 379-2090 Chef Brian may very well have some of the best brick oven pizza anywhere. Karaoke every Thursday and they will have all your favorite college and pro football games on this Fall.

RIBAUT ROAD TO PORT ROYAL

AMF RIBAUT LANES

(843) 524-3111, 1140 Ribaut Road, The DUDE has got to drink beer and bowl. Not sure if they have white russians or not DUDE.

THE BACK PORCH GRILL (843) 525-9824, Landing Drive, Port Royal Marina. Great Marina and local watering hole. The food ain't too bad either DUDE for lunch or dinner.

DOCKSIDE (843) 524-7443 Located at the end of 11th Street in the town of Port Royal. This active Seafood Market, with a fleet of local shrimp boats, is one of the little hidden gems in Beaufort County. GREAT FRESH LOCAL SEAFOOD DUDES, need we

say more. They have a great watering hole bar with a fantastic waterfront marsh view to boot!

CAROLINA WINGS & RIB HOUSE (843) 379-5959 Located in Port Royal Plaza at the light. Great sport bar environment. Many TV's, great saddle up bar and obviously AWESOME WINGS & RIBS DUDE!

LADY'S & ST. HELENA ISLANDS

THE FILLIN STATION (843) 522-0230, Sea Island Parkway, It is what it is, a DUDE watering hole.

SANCTUARY GOLF CLUB, CAT ISLAND GRILL & PUB

843-524-4653 See longtime friend Chef Tom for fantastic burgers, sandwiches and your favorite DUDE cocktails after golf or tennis, as you overlook the 18th hole! Sunday Brunch is a MUST! See ad this issue.

STEAMER OYSTER & STEAKHOUSE (843) 522-0210, Sea Island Parkway just through the first light on Lady's Island.

FOOLISH FROG, (843) 838-9300, 846 Sea Island Parkway, St Helena Island, Jam sessions on Tuesdays.

BOONDOCKS (843) 838-0821, Sea Island Parkway, St. Helena Island, occasional LIVE MUSIC on Fridays and Saturdays.

JOHNSON CREEK TAVERN (843) 838-4166, Located between St.Helena Island and Hunting Island State Park. Our long time friend and BIG GAMECOCK FAN, Jay Lloyd is the owner of this **GREAT BAR & EATERY**, on the left just before the bridge..

COOL sea island watering hole with GREAT OCEANFRONT VIEW and the freshest seafood around. Sign and put a dollar on the wall and make sure you say hello to our friend, Captain E. Normus Johnson! Don't forget to get one of his great T-shirts!

ROCK ON BEAUFORT COUNTY

If we've left some place out or have some wrong information please contact:

BRAD at brad@dudesc.com or call him (843) 298-3827.



Dear Harold,
Knowing your master like you do, I was wondering if you could tell me the difference between a Hillbilly and a Lowcountry Redneck? Since he's obviously both, I just wanted to know if there is a difference in these types of good ole country folks.
Signed,
McCoy Hatfield

Dear MH,
The only difference is ALTITUDE!
HAROLD

Dear Harold,
I absolutely loved the cover of your Summer issue of DUDE of the immature Bald Eagle grabbing a mullet. The story and photo by Ed Kelly were really amazing. You said he had other shots of the same event and I wondered if you could share a few of those with us.
Signed,
Berdie Luvers

Dear BL,
Yes, our friend Ed Kelly is quite the wildlife photographer. Of course it helps to be at the right place and the right time with the right camera. I mentioned your letter to Ed and he sent us two more shots that are awesome. Either one of those would have looked good on the cover also. Thanks for enjoying our publication, we are amazed at how many women/DUDETTEs readers we have.
HAROLD



Dear Harold,
I live in what I would call a semi-rural area. We recently had a new yankee neighbor call the local town administrative office and request the removal of the DEER CROSSING sign on our road. The reason they stated was that too many deer are being hit by cars out there! They didn't think this was a good place for them to be crossing anymore!
Signed,
Buck Masters

Dear BM,
Here's your sign!
HAROLD

Dear Harold,
My daughter went to a Mexican fast food restaurant recently and ordered a taco. She asked the person behind the counter for "minimal lettuce." The DUDE said he was sorry, they only had iceberg lettuce?!

Dear NC,
No one that stupid can fall in the DUDE category, none the less, Here's your sign you can give to your daughter.
HAROLD

Dear Harold,
I work with a blonde girl that me recently that she plugged her strip back into itself and still could not why system would not turn on. I started laughing so hard I couldn't answer her question.
Signed,
Anita Hare-Dye

Dear AHD,
I'd hate to be the DUDE talking that call at the local Geek Squad. In case you were wondering if some blondes are really out there in left field, deep and on the track...
Here's your sign!
HAROLD

Dear Harold,
Is it just me or do you feel like our 2nd Amendment rights are under fire from our government? I think if more people would become more educated about guns, there actually might be less crime. Shouldn't our government teach GUN WISDOM instead of calling for more gun controls.
Signed,
Wesson Smith

Dear WS,
Our 2nd amendment is very important to most of us DUDES out there. Not sure many are going to let their government take away their right to bear arms, much less take away their arms. GUN WISDOM should be taught more in schools. A few bits of GUN WISDOM that I've learned; the average response time to the average 911 call is around 23 minutes, the average response time to a .357 magnum is 1,400 feet per second, If someone is threatening you or your family's life, see if the attacker can advance through a wall of lead, you may get killed with your own gun, but they'll have to beat you to death with it cause it's empty and finally, you may not be able to save the planet like many anti-gun people are trying to do, but you may just be able to save yourself and your family.
HAROLD
P.S. Get your CWP, concealed weapons permit and pack some heat DUDE!

Dear Harold,
I have been absolutely loving every issue of DUDE that you have put out, especially the great golf tips from your very wise PGA professionals. I still remain a very frustrated golfer. I really enjoy getting outdoors and trying to perfect a game, that can not be perfected. Could you pass along a few questions to you pros that I have? How do I properly line up my four putt? How do I avoid the water when I lie 8 in the bunker? How do you find a ball that everyone saw go in the water? Is there a good way to relax when you've hit two balls OB off the tee and you're getting ready to hit your 5th shot? and finally, When is the right time to re-grip your ball retriever?
Signed,
Weird Al Shankavic

Dear WAS,
I wonder what it would be like to play golf. All I used to do, is run for cover every time I saw a bunch of hackers like you approaching the pond I used to live in. They never yelled FORE when their balls came flying in the pond at my friends and I. INCOMING! Maybe you should call one of our pros up and actually TAKE SOME LESSONS! Stick with it, don't give up and GO FISHING whatever you do!
HAROLD

Dear Harold,
There were two old drunks in a bar and one of them pointed across the bar and said look at those two DUDES, that's us in 10 years. His buddy said, "That's a mirror you DINGBALL!"
Signed,
Justin Case

Dear JC,
Don't make me laugh, I might drown.
HAROLD

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BY OLDFIELD NATURALIST, MARVIN BOUKNIGHT
On Monday, Dec. 5th, fellow photographer, Eric Horan and I decided to take our cameras to the Savannah National Wildlife. Down one of the rice dikes, we saw a deer looking back at us. As we peered at him, he looked at us, revealing a massive 8 point rack! We slowly stalked forward, inching closer to this huge buck, when out stepped a doe. The buck didn't know whether to be concerned about us or the doe, so he chose her, still keeping an eye on us. It was humorous to watch the young doe flirt and toy with the buck and watch the buck impatiently chase her into safe cover! It was if the mature buck was telling the immature, flirty doe to "Behave yourself and get back in the woods like a good girl!"

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DUDE, throw me another one of those boiled peanuts!



Dr. John Bodkin with 2 nice sheepshead



We caught this DUDE hanging out at the Concours D' Elegance.



Black Crowned Night-Heron, Wink Gaines



Now that's a mouthfull! Photo Ed Kelly



Crusin Brown Pelican, Great shot John Brackett



Young Ben Bessinger with his first 8 pointer!



Bassmater, Ken Oliver lands another HAWG at Hampton Lake's Tiger Bass Tournament benefiting Bluffton Self Help



I'd say the beach re-nourishment on North Forest Beach has been a huge success!



PAIR OF KINGS WINNERS; Tom Brown, Heath, Steve, Bob Wilson, Brad Young, Monty & Brad Schroeder



Automotive DUDE, Rob Logan and Buckwheat with a nice stringer. Follow dem DUDES, they are going to have a nice fish fry!



DUDES, hanging out at Rosie O'Grady's Oyster Roast. Is that Jerry Daniels from DJ's Grocery????



These anonymous Moose sent in a photo of their recent hunt. Are they drinking Mooshead beer? Y'all gonna mount the DUDE?

DUDES IN FOCUS

DUCKS UNLIMITED BANQUET

At Honey Horn Plantation, Home of Coastal Discovery Museum
Contributing Photographer Jeff Dennis



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