

General Meeting Sailing Singles March 19th, 2014

Board Members PresentPresent

Dan Bullard
Joy Hansen
Kathy White
Roger Wood
Bob Rollman

Directors

Joan Kachel Cruise
Phil McCorkle Program
Jocelyn Erickson Publicity

The meeting was called to order @ Bonita Bills

Guests present

Louie Bartos (guest speaker)
Mrs Bartos
Jordan Astley
Sandy Lares

Our Commodore Dan announced that the nominating committee has selected a slate of new officers to be voted on next month. Kathy Maciel volunteered to be our new Secretary . Kathy Maciel also suggested that we record the meetings. We will table this suggestion, as a tape recorder must be procured. Ann Lieberman volunteered to be our new Social Chairman. The new board will take over in May. In order to clarify the transition, the old board will consult with the new board until October when the sailing season technically begins. The OFFICIAL PASS OVER will take place in September 2014.

Jocelyn Erickson stated that she will continue as publicity chairman but she emphasized that new ideas & a new publicity chairman would benefit the club.

The treasurer's report revealed \$1,386.14 as our balance with some several outstanding bills.

Bob Rollman reported that we have about 58 paid members

The News Letter will be done by Dan & we will continue with Meet Up. We have

posted lots of pictures & Meet Up generated 13 new members through Meet Up

Jim Baker will host our TGIF next month. Members will bring appetizers and Jim will furnish beer & wine! Please RSVP to Jim @ jebccfl@gmail.com. More information will be on Heads Up, and please invite previous members .

Joan Kachel reported that the Half Fast Race is planed for this weekend.. The participating boats will gather @ Bunch Beach & practice anchoring & MOB. The Race will end near Clarence's Canal @ York Island where they will raft up & "dingy" to Clarence's house for a barbecue.

Our guest speaker was Louie Bartos, sailmaker & Sail Historian. Louie is Sonia Raymond's Brother & he has worked & consulted with sailing historians all over the world. He began his research when a friend (who was 102 y/o) related that sail making was well documented. Louie began his research & discovered that sail making was indeed NOT documented.

Some important facts about sails are

1. Ancient sails are frozen to preserve & study
2. Ancient sails (made in the 15'00's) were preserved in mud & wheat (by accident)
- 3, Grommets were made of cloth & were reinforced with wax & tar which preserved them.
4. In the fourteen hundreds , sail crews were getting harder to get because the sails were very heavy & difficult manage., As a result they starting cutting them in half (length wise) . These sails weighed up to a ton & the lines were reinforced with leather & wire.

Louie has traveled all over the world & has lectured to numerous Historical groups . His website is www.marinersails.com

The meeting was adjourned

Respectfully Submitted, Joy Hansen-Secretary

