



Cruising Club of America - San Francisco Station April 4, 2007 Meeting Minutes St. Francis Yacht Club

Members Present: Ahari, Bacigalupi, Bekins, Bernheim, Birdsey, Clendenin, Cooper, Forsythe, Foss, Fullagar, Hall, Hanelt, Harter, Hines, Hunt, Jessie, Klaus, Knecht, LeRoy, Parkman, Robinson J., Robinson R., Roe, Sanford, Van Blaricom, Vespa, Warren and Wood.

Call to Order: Comments or corrections to March minutes: Bill Foss advised that it was erroneously reported that the Bonnell Cove Foundation was involved in his national work. Stan Honey has been the navigation coach for the kids sailing to Hawaii on a TP52. Sally Honey will be skippering her all women crew of four on her Cal 40, "Illusion". Stan will be navigator for Roy Disney on "Pyewacket". The February minutes should have reflected that Jim Antrim had previously presented Jim Quanci, a new member, with a CCA tie and burgee. Thanks were extended to Terry Klaus for the arrangements he made for the nice lunch at St FYC. Regrettably, if you belong to St. Francis, your lunch cannot be billed to your account. They don't want the complication.

Introduction of Guests: Bill Birdsey introduced his two sons as his guests. Rick Wood introduced two guests, Alfie Sanford, his previous associate in Sanford Wood Boatworks and local boat builder and craftsman Jeff Rutherford. Dick Ennerson and Ken Neil-Boyd were also in attendance as guests.

R/C's Comments: A warm welcome was extended to Jerry Knecht, along with best wishes for his continuing recovery.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Steve Hunt reported that about 90% of the membership has now paid their local station dues. The club remains solvent with a little less than \$4,000 in the bank. Everyone was reminded that they were on the honor system to pay the \$25.00 for their lunch and \$5.00 for wine if they wanted it. Regarding a membership roster, it was suggested that anyone who wanted a printed copy of the current membership could go to the SF Station website, click on Roster and simply print the report from there. The roster needs updating for the last four new members and Bill Forsythe is working on that issue.

Membership Report: Robby Robinson reported that Dick Ennerson and Larry Pardey's applications are still pending. Robby and Bob Van Blaricom are going back to the National Spring Meeting in mid April. Robby is working on enhancing the club roster by inputting a photo of each member. This is a work in progress and John Sanford has been taking pictures of members as he can. They will eventually appear on the website.

Entertainment/Events: The next meeting will be at SFYC, Belvedere on May 2nd. RSVP to Bob Van Blaricom. The June meeting will be at Spaulding Wooden Boat Center with arrangements being made by Terry Klaus.

Cruise Report: Bill Edinger is on a family trek in Nepal until 1st of May. The Spring Cruise to Half Moon Bay will be on May 24 – 27. Catered dinner will be served at HMBYC on Friday, cocktails on a suitable boat on Saturday evening. A flyer will come out in a couple of weeks.

Environment: Bill Foss reported that he attended an East Coast meeting on the environment of the sea with Commodore Ned Rowland and Ed Brainard. There was a great deal of support for the cause. Bill handed out copies of his extensive report, “Environment of the Sea Notes for April 2007”. He also passed out a survey to determine people’s opinions regarding the disposal of various paper products, food waste, aluminum cans, bottles and plastic containers. The survey questioned whether you would discard any of these items if you were 10 miles offshore and 100 miles offshore.

Gam/Historian/Newsletter: John Sanford reported that the Spring Gam is now out and he was congratulated for doing an excellent job.

Cruising We Do: Dewey Hines told about some of his recent experiences in Mexico and shipping his boat from La Paz to the Pacific Northwest on Dockwise transport. There has been no word from Bill Chapman who is somewhere in Central America. Jim Jessie told about a somewhat unusual cruise he had recently on a Hylas 44 in The Bahamas. Jim Cornelius is in the Sea of Cortez with John Scarborough on “Sun Song”. Bill Foss is planning to take his boat across the Atlantic in June, making landfall in the Azores and continuing on to the Northwestern coast of Spain.

New Business: Nothing reported.

Presentation: Ken Neil-Boyd gave a fine talk about his “Call of the Sea” program and the 82’ steel schooner “Seaward”. They offer three basic programs. Bay Explorations, a three-hour program, gives students a rich, hands-on experience aboard a classic schooner, as they learn about coastal history and practice navigation and seamanship. Voyage Seaward is a 5-day/4-night sea-going adventure, under the guidance of a professional captain and crew. Students are challenged to become a team through learning to sail a classic schooner and take her on a voyage beyond the Golden Gate. The Bay and Beyond program augments their core educational programs, Call of the Sea offers special events, community sails, adult sail training and private charters. For further interest the website is www.callofthesea.org/.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hunt
Secretary-Treasurer

**THE NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2ND AT THE SFYC IN BELVEDERE
PLEASE RSVP TO BOB VAN BLARICOM BY APRIL 28TH**

