



Cruising Club of America - San Francisco Station September 5, 2007 Meeting Minutes San Francisco Yacht Club

Members Present: Bekins, Clendenin, Cooper, Cornelius, Easom, Forsythe, Gregory, Hall, Harter, Hunt, Hurst, Knecht, Noyes, Price, R. Robinson, Roe, Rolien, Sanford, Swain, Van Blaricom,

Call to Order and Introduction of Guests: R/C Van Blaricom called the meeting to order and asked for the introduction of guests. No guests were in attendance today.

R/C's Comments: He welcomed everyone back at the end of summer and gave a fairly extensive report on the progress of Cloud Nine on their Northwest Passage attempt.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: Steve Hunt reported that the club continues to be solvent with approximately \$3,000+ in the bank.

Membership Report: Robby Robinson asked that he be notified as soon as possible regarding any possible new member candidates that might be up for sponsorship. Doug Mc Veigh is a potential candidate for membership, but would probably be affiliated with the PNW Station. Robby and Bob will be attending the Annual Meeting at the New York Yacht Club on November 13th.

Entertainment/Events: The next regular meeting will be THURSDAY October 4th at the Encinal Yacht Club in Alameda. The meeting is being arranged by Terry Klaus and plenty of berthing will be available at the yacht club. Wine will be available at the bar and lunch will cost between \$20.00 and \$25.00 Please respond to Terry Klaus by October 1st at the latest.

Cruise Report: Bill Edinger is reportedly bringing his trimaran up the coast from Southern California. The Tomales Bay Cruise is on for September 14th to 16th. It was noted that there was a mistake in the flyer regarding high water at the Tomales entrance. High tide is actually 4.7 feet at 1400 hours, not 1100 hours. Scott Noble and Jack Heatherton from the SFYC will be joining the CCA group. The barbecue will be at 1500 hours on Saturday and remember to RSVP to Bill Edinger.

Environment: Bill Foss is believed to be somewhere on the coast of Spain and preparing his boat for winter lay-up, so there was no report today. It seems Bill has been having difficulties with his e-mail systems, so no one has heard very much from him lately.

Gam/Historian/Newsletter: John Sanford reported that he would be sending in his information this Friday and solicited last minute relevant cruising information that any members might be able to provide.

Cruising We Do: Most members have been following the adventures of Cloud Nine in their attempt at the Northwest Passage with Roger Swanson, Doug Finley and Chris Parkman on board. Jane Van

Blaricom has sent out almost daily progress reports to the membership. Thanks for all that, Jane. Bob VB received an Iridium phone call from Doug Finley and they were past Pt. Barrow and should be in Nome by September 7th. By now, it is all but a sure thing that it will be a successful attempt and voyage. The third time was a charm!

It is believed that Dewey Hines, Wyman Harris, David Fullagar and Fritz Warren are all attending the PNW Station cruise to Desolation Sound. Jim Cornelius is leaving this Saturday for Spain to help Jerry Eaton sail his boat across to the Caribbean on the ARC Race.

Old Business / New Business: R/C Van Blaricom initiated a discussion regarding a CCA contribution to the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center and asked for financial information from the Treasurer. Steve Hunt reported that it should be possible to make a fairly substantial contribution without jeopardizing the solvency of the club's treasury. Upcoming expenses include the costs of the Tomales Bay Cruise (the State of California has raised the cost to rent the Heart's Desire picnic area up to \$345.00 this year). We set the barbecue cost at a very modest cost of \$15.00, so the club will be subsidizing some of these expenses. Other major expenses will be for travel costs for delegates to the Annual Meeting and the Winter Meeting in January. The annual dues will start coming in again in January as well as the contribution from National in April or May, so it should all work out fine. A short discussion followed and the consensus was that we should go ahead and make a nice contribution. Accordingly, Jim Hurst made a motion to contribute \$1,000 from the Club treasury to the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center and Jerry Knecht seconded the motion. A vote was taken and the motion was unanimously approved.

It was also suggested that members make additional personal contributions to the Spaulding Wooden Boat Center. Jerry Knecht has already made a substantial personal contribution and it is tax deductible. Please see Bob Van Blaricom's letter asking for your individual support in this regard.

While it was not discussed at the meeting, it was noted that five members signed up to attend today's meeting, but did not show up. Perhaps this will need to be a topic for discussion at a future meeting. If the meeting had been held at St. Francis, we would have had to pay for the lunches. Mul and the SFYC have been particularly adaptable and easy to work with in this regard, but we can't always count on that kind of cooperation.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hunt
Secretary-Treasurer

Next Meeting Encinal Yacht Club October 4th.

