



Cruising Club of America - San Francisco Station April 2, 2008 Meeting Minutes San Francisco Yacht Club

Members Present: Ahari, Bacigalupi, Bekins, Clendenin, Cooper, Cornelius, Eaton, Edinger, Enersen, Finley, Foss, Fullagar, Hanelt, Harter, Hunt, Knecht, LeRoy, Noyes, Parkman, Robbie Robinson, Roe, Rolien, Sanford, Swain, Van Blaricom, Vespa and Warren.

Call to Order and Introduction of Guests: R/C Steve Hunt called the meeting to order and thanked Jim Cornelius for organizing the luncheon. He also thanked Robbie Robinson for compiling, printing and mailing the Membership Roster.

Bob Hanelt is compiling a roster of member's boats. Steve requested that color photos be sent to Bob. Bob would prefer emailed .JPG photographs (to bobhanelt@aol.com) but if send a hard-copy photograph, please enclose a stamped addressed return envelope so that he can return the photo to you. Mailing address is 190 Villanova Dr., Oakland, CA 94611.

Bob Hanelt introduced his guest Jürgen Hansen. Jürgen has completed an 8 year circumnavigation and is currently heading south to Mexico aboard his Hallberg Rassy, planning to cruise from there to Hawaii and then north to Alaska. Bill Foss welcomed back Nick Grace from the Boston Station. Bill Edinger introduced Henry Turkell, who sails his aluminum motorsailor in the Pacific Northwest.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: David Fullagar reported that the club has \$2328 in the bank. Thirteen members have yet to pay their annual dues. They have been mailed reminder letters with stamped, addressed return envelopes.

New Boats: Jim Cooper has purchased a 1972 Wasque 32 lobster boat that he is currently restoring in Sausalito. Bill LeRoy reported that the Santa Cruz 50 he sold a number of years ago has recently been purchased by Paul Cayard. Bill is currently restoring a Cal 40.

Membership Report: Bob Van Blaricom noted that four candidates are being submitted to the Spring Membership Meeting: Liz Baylis, Danielle Dignan, Bruce Munro and Mark Lindlow.

Entertainment/Events: The next meeting will be a visit to the Bay Model Visitor Center in Sausalito. Jim will organize a deli brown bag lunch at noon. The docent tour of the Bay Model will begin at 1.00pm and will be limited to 30 people, so please RSVP early to Jim to avoid disappointment (415-435-0918 or e-mail hjamescornelius@comcast.net). More details to follow.

Jim asked if, at future luncheon meetings, members wanted to have a wine-free table at reduced cost for those who don't drink alcohol with lunch. Consensus opinion was to leave things as they are.

Cruise Report: Bill Edinger said the Half Moon Bay cruise is set for May 16th to 18th. There will be an informal dinner at the Half Moon Bay Yacht Club on Friday, and Bill is working on dinner at Meza Luna on Saturday. Hoping for 30 to 40 attendees, including those arriving by land.

The Montezuma Slough cruise dates have changed. [Now scheduled for July 11 to 13.](#)

The Fall Tomales Bay cruise is still in a state of flux because of the threatened closure of the park.

Environment: Bill Foss handed out April 2008 Environment of the Sea notes. These are also available on the CCA National website. Bill also reminded us that vessels 40ft or longer must have a written Waste Management Plan. This plan needs to detail how garbage is handled on board the vessel, and must designate a responsible individual (the last time I was boarded by the Coast Guard, the first question they asked was "who is your garbage officer of the day?").

Gam/Historian/Newsletter: John Sanford requested photos and info for the GAM before Sept. 1st.

During the Antigua CCA cruise, R/C Steve Hunt was asked to let our members know that articles are being sought for the National GAM/ Cruising Club News.

Cruising We Do:

- Edinger discussed his plans to sail *Defiance* to Hawaii in July with 5-6 family members aboard. He described a new Facnor furler for his asymmetric spinnaker – see <http://www.facnor.com>
- Bill Foss has *Détente* in Majorca, and will cruise the Western Mediterranean, leaving the boat in Turkey for the winter.
- Bob Van Blaricom will head north on *Misty*, starting April 25 with Zia Ahari. They will sail up the west coast of Vancouver Island, leaving the boat in Port Hardy. A month later, Bob will depart Port Hardy for Prince William Sound with Robby Robinson aboard.
- Doug Finlay also plans to sail up the west coast of Vancouver Island, maybe going as far as Alaska.
- David Fullagar will take *Mystic* north from Sidney BC to explore the area around Princess Royal Island and maybe the Queen Charlottes.
- David also read an e-mail from Bill Chapman. Bill returns to *Bones VIII* in Panama next week, with plans to cruise to the French Riviera via Cayman Is., Florida, Azores, Portugal, Spain & France. Bill sent his best wishes to all members.
- Bill LeRoy will be cruising in Croatia in May, and is joining the July CCA cruise in Norway.
- Steve & Marilyn Hunt enjoyed the CCA Antigua cruise with Peter & Melinda Darbee aboard *Mystic Pearl*.

Other Business: Jerry Eaton described his involvement in two recent incidents as a volunteer aboard Coast Guard cutters from the Golden Gate Station. The first was the disappearance of *Daisy*, a Cheoy Lee 31, on March 15 with two crew members aboard. The second was the abandonment of *Pterodactyl*, an Olson 40, on March 31st, when two crew members were washed overboard. Luckily in this case both were rescued by a nearby vessel. These incidents have been written up in the Latitude 38 website (www.latitude38.com), so the details will not be repeated here.

Jerry noted that the Coast Guard often lacks first hand knowledge of how to deal with sailboats in these situations. Jerry solicited member's inputs for an inter-agency discussion being held Friday, April 4th.

Bob Van Blaricom read an amusing article provided by Gene Harter regarding the provisioning of “Old Ironsides.” It can be found here: <http://www.tucsonsailingclub.com/archive/cruising1.htm>

There was a brief discussion regarding whether the Station should attract potential new members by inviting blue water cruisers from other yacht clubs to join our activities. Although no firm conclusion was reached in this regard, it was pointed out that the CCA does not enjoy the same level of visibility in the sailing community on the West Coast as it does in the East. It was suggested that members should note their CCA affiliation when writing articles for magazines such as Latitude 38.

There being no further business, the formal part of the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

David Fullagar
Secretary-Treasurer