



Cruising Club of America - San Francisco Station June 4, 2008 Meeting Minutes Spaulding Wooden Boat Center, Sausalito

Members Present: Alderson, Allen, Bacigalupi, Bekins, Cooper, Cornelius, Edinger, Enersen, Finley, Forsythe, Foss, Fullagar, Hall, Hanelt, Hedin, Hines, Hunt, Hurst, Klaus, Knecht, Price, Quanci, Robbie Robinson, 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 Terry Klaus for organizing the lunch.

Steve reported the sad news that Wink Smith's wife Jean had passed away the previous afternoon. Jerry Knecht said a few words of remembrance and noted that she and Wink had been married for 63 years. A moment of silence was observed.

Terry Klaus introduced Mark Welther, Executive Director of the SWBC, who in turn thanked Andrea and others volunteers at the Center who had helped with the lunch.

Bob Vespa introduced his guests Tom & Jean Moulin. Pat Price introduced Rick Meyerhoff. Todd Hedin introduced his wife and soon-to-be-member Liz Baylis, Doug Finley introduced Tom Hutton.

R/C Steve Hunt thanked Bob Hanelt for the great job he's doing putting together a photo roster of member's boats. However, so far only about 25% of members have submitted photos. The secretary will send out another e-mail requesting photos in the next week.

Steve also said that Jim Quanci deserves special recognition for his part in the rescue operation of the crew of the Olson 40 *Pterodactyl*. Jim described how, as they were sailing the return leg of the double-handed Farallones race, the Olson was observed sailing west with no one aboard. Two crew were seen in the water a few hundred yards away. Jim stood by while a Crowther 36 catamaran performed a speedy recovery of the two using a Life Sling. They were lucky that there were 3 boats close at hand.

Mary Lovely said there are 63 boats signed up for the 2008 Pacific Cup. Mary has been involved with the Pac Cup since 1986 and is currently on the Board. Mary & Jim and their 15 & 17 yr olds will sail aboard their Cal 40 *Green Buffalo*, together with two friends.

Todd Hedin, also on the Board of the Pac Cup, described the work involved in bringing his Antrim 27 *ET* up to Category 1 status for the race. It will be Todd's 5th race to Hawaii.

Liz Baylis, Executive Director of the Women's Match Racing Association, attended the world championship in Auckland in April where her SF team won a silver medal. While Todd is doing the Pac Cup, Liz will be in Sweden for the Lysekil Woman's Match Race. Liz has been pushing to get Women's Match Racing more widely accepted, and was happy to report that it has been selected for the 2012 Olympics.

Jim Cornelius said how much he welcomed inputs (such as those noted above) from the younger CCA members.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: David Fullagar reported that the club has \$2665 in the bank. Known obligations amount to \$480 (for the Half Moon Bay cruise and a deposit for Vista point).

Spaulding Wooden Boat Center & Arques School of Traditional Boatbuilding: Mark Welther, Executive Director of the SWBC, discussed the origins and goals of the Center. To fulfill its mission, the SWBC must be self-supporting, and he urged CCA members to support the center by bringing their boats to the boatyard for work, volunteering, and making financial contributions. For those wishing to make a donation, the following link explains the options:

<http://www.spauldingcenter.org/support/memberships.php>

Bob Darr, Program Director and Head Instructor at the Arques School of Traditional Boatbuilding, explained the role of the school and gave an update on the restoration of Freda, the oldest (1885) private sailing yacht on the west coast. Ten more frames are still needed. Buy a frame or other part of Freda for \$1200 or more, and have your name included on a plaque that will permanently stay with the boat. See <http://www.arqueschl.org/>

Membership Report: Bob Van Blaricom said the four candidates submitted in April (Liz Baylis, Danielle Dignan, Bruce Munro and Mark Lindlow) will become CCA members tomorrow. Bob reminded us that there is currently only one new submission in the pipeline (Nick Orem, proposed by Jerry Eaton). He encouraged members to submit new candidates as soon as possible for posting end of September.

Entertainment/Events: The next meeting will be September 3rd at the St. Francis Yacht Club.

Cruise Report: Bill Edinger reported that 8 boats joined the Half Moon Bay cruise, with 27 attendees at the Mezza Luna dinner on Saturday.

The Vista Point location has been secured for the Tomales Bay cruise (Sept 12 – 14).

Steve noted that the Duck Club is lined up for the Montezuma Slough cruise (July 11 – 13)

Environment: Please note the following correction to last month's minutes: in Marin County, only those plastic bags labeled *1 or 2* may be recycled through the regular garbage service.

Gam/Historian/Newsletter: John Sanford again requested members send him photos and cruise reports for the next GAM.

Cruising We Do: Bob Van Blaricom described his tough sail (slog?) up the West Coast and around the outside of Vancouver Island with Zia Ahari and Pat Callahan. The 1050 mile trip took 22 days and included a harrowing outbound crossing of the Columbia River Bar, 4 dreary days holed up at Grays Harbor, high winds, rain & fog in Barkley Sound, and being hove to off Brooks Peninsula. *Misty* is currently resting in Port Hardy awaiting the return of her indefatigable skipper.

There being no further business, the formal part of the meeting was adjourned. Members then enjoyed a great lunch in a setting with unbeatable ambience.

Respectfully submitted,

David Fullagar
Secretary-Treasurer

