



Cruising Club of America - San Francisco Station May 5, 2011 Meeting Minutes Encinal Yacht Club

Members Present:

Ahari, Barker, Bekins, Clendenin, Cornelius, Darbee, Finley, Forsyth, Hanelt, Hedin, Jessie, Keegin Klaus, Knecht, Mason, Munro, Robby Robinson, Rolien, J. Sanford, Van Blaricom.

Eight members sailed the night before on 4 boats: Athesa (Zia Ahari- Jerry Knecht) Doleores E. (Robby Robinson- Bob Van Blaricom) Duet (Jim Cornelius- Don Bekins) and Princess (Bruce Munro-Bill Forsyth)

Call to Order and Introduction of Guests:

R/C Robby Robinson called the meeting to order and began by thanking Terry Klaus for arranging the luncheon. A guest, Jim Patricks was introduced. R/C informed the audience that Hank Easom and John Scarborough the new member who was to be introduced at the meeting had both been admitted to the hospital, the former for planned and the latter for emergency surgery. He had earlier circulated two "Get Well" cards that had been signed by the members before the meeting. He then asked for the introduction of New Member, Stafford Keegin. Todd Hedin, who sponsored Stafford's membership, introduced him to the members. Stafford is a longtime sailor and keeps his boat in the East Coast but lives in the Bay Area. The Secretary then presented Stafford with a folder containing pertinent information about the station, a Club burgee, stickers for his car or boat and a Club tie. This was following a suggestion by the Secretary and approval of the R/C, to the effect that each new member to be presented a folder containing the information about the station and the distinctive emblems of the Club.

Secretary/Treasurer's Report: The Secretary explained the procedure regarding presentation of the folder, containing membership information, Burgee and tie or a scarf depending on the gender. This is in order to make the initiation of the new member's uniform. Secretary/Treasurer then reported that the Club had the sum of \$3,698.94 in the bank.

Membership Report: Bob Van Blaricom reported presentation of a new prospective member, Mike Moradzadeh a well known and accomplished Bay Area sailor and hoped to introduce him at the next membership committee meeting to be held in Seattle.

Entertainment/Events: Next meeting will be held on June 1, on board the Jeremiah O'Brien and being arranged by Sally Honey.

Cruise Report: Doug Finley informed of the upcoming Half Moon Bay cruise. Jim Cornelius is preparing the Solano Yacht Club Cruise in Suisun City. Members may make an overnight stay in Montezuma Slough or Benicia. Todd Hedin has accepted the responsibility of the Beach Captain in clean up operations of the Heart's Desire Beach in Tomales Bay to be performed by the members participating in the Tomales Bay Cruise in September. It was suggested that Todd contact the Park authorities and facilitate the use of the park for the participating boat crews. Jim Jessie was encouraged to play the role of the host ship on the New Year's Eve Club cruise to the Clipper Cove.

Environment of the Sea: The Club has accepted to clean up the beaches of Heart's Desire Beach in Tomales Bay and Todd Hedin has accepted to lead the effort.

National Cruise: Wyman Harris the committee chairman is cruising and was not present. Jerry Knecht and John Sanford who have sailed Thailand and have experience will provide any information required regarding arrangements for sailing there. R/C reported of efforts to find sufficient numbers including extension of invitation to the Bay Area Yacht Club members to enable chartering of the mother-ship.

Gam/Historian/Newsletter: John Sanford said that the latest copy of the Gam should be out soon. John repeated his request that he would like to receive articles, cruising plans and other material as the cruise goes on. R/C stated that all articles written by the members during the cruises will be published at the station's website and their blogs linked there. Peter Darbee cautioned that these sites should be password protected as apparently the information published in the blogs has been used by the pirates to track and capture a few cruising boats. R/C promised to investigate the availability of our site and the manner it was being protected against abuse.

Cruising We Do: Bob Van Blaricom and Chris Parkmen's cruise to Tahiti on board POG is delayed due to illness of the skipper and Steve Mason has postponed the start of his trip north due to technical delays in preparing the boat. Peter Darbee reported of his planned cruise on board a newly acquired Oyster 60 to the Caribbean and probable continuation from east to west through the Panama Canal.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting will be held on June 1, on board the good ship Jeremiah O'Brien.

Respectfully submitted,

Zia Ahari
Secretary/Treasurer

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