

Minutes of MBHCA EBoard Meeting 3/28/16 at Debbie's House

Meeting called to order by President Ted at 7:40 pm. Also present were: VP Mark Hickey, Treasurer Susanne O'Neil, Fleet Captain Debbie Caldwell-Connell. Also attending were Rich McCabe and Dawn Bosworth.

Reports:

No formal reports. Susanne said that dues were starting to come in, and that, when deposited, there would be over \$1000 in the bank.

Old Business:

Regarding a proposed By-law change regarding membership: This proposal was put forward at previous meetings, but the Ass'n voted to send it back to the EBoard for more work. There was discussion over whether the collecting of dues was a priority with the Ass'n or whether the time spent discussing dues was disproportionate to the amount of money involved. Ted said that he would revisit the proposal, and then bring it up at a later meeting.

Regarding a "Kick-Off Regatta," coupled with a launch day and some kind of meal: It was decided that this would be an Ass'n event, possibly dovetailed with any social event that SYC might run. It would consist of a Friday late afternoon mass launch, followed by a race Sunday. Details of the racing would be worked out. The SYC RC would be contacted to find out if there would be a conflict

No information yet on the whereabouts of the Floyd and Lauritzen perpetual trophies. (Bonnie had said at the last meeting that she might have a line on one of them.)

Regarding the inclusion of new/younger members: It was suggested that a new standing Membership Committee of the Ass'n be established, and that a younger member chair it. Ted said that he would reach out to some likely candidates for that position. He said that he had emailed one, but had not yet heard from that person, and would follow up.

Regarding raising awareness of Ass'n activities and scheduling: Rich suggested that a folio mailing that his company uses would be easy to do and would be a good fit for the Ass'n. He said he would mail one out to Ted. It was noted that finding someone to gather and assemble info for the mailing would be great, if we could find that person. Susanne said that she has access to a mailing list of area yacht clubs that might be likely recipients of a mailing.

Regarding work parties, there was some discussion as to organizing "boat-rolling" parties when the weather warms. Bud needs to have #165 rolled, and there are probably many others who could take advantage of this.

Regarding boat pages: Ted said that Gus Perez had sent along a dozen or so excellent pictures of Hustlers. Ted said that he would place them, and others, in a Google Photo shared folder so Mark could drop them into boat pages that he was developing a template for. It was noted that #183 was still owned by a John Hanrahan, and it was located in Maine. No action regarding gathering info on the next 10 boats - #'s 178 to 169, was taken.

Proposed Schedule:

June 24/25/26	"Kick-off Regatta"	HT 3:48/4:38 PM
July 2/3/4	Open	HT 9:57/10:54 AM
July 9/10	Lipton Cup	HT 3:54/4:42 PM
July 16/17	(Carven Regatta)	HT 9:26/10:14 AM
July 23/24	QBRW OL	HT 2:37/3:24 PM
July 30/31	(Carven Regatta)	HT 8:44/9:45 AM
Aug 6/7	Nationals	HT 2:34/3:17 PM
Aug 13/14	(Carven Regatta)	HT 7:53/8:47 AM
Aug 20/21	Open	HT 1:25/2:11 PM

Regarding the 2016 Racing Schedule: The above dates for the Lipton Regatta and QBRW are already set. The Carven family had not yet expressed a preference for a date for their event. Since all other "high tide" weekends are booked, the Carven racing might have to be done with an earlier start. The August 20/21 date was seen as very late, with a drop-off in fleet size. Mark said that he would contact the Carven family. More discussion of the final schedule would be done at the General Meeting.

New Business:

There was discussion of the role of Fleet Captain in the Ass'n. Ted opined that it would be valuable to the Ass'n to have the Fleet Captain assist vessels in his/her respective fleet, in the interest of keeping the number of raceable boats high, by inspecting them at their moorings to make sure that they are secure, and not likely to be storm damaged, or to lose unreplaceable parts in event of a capsize.

There was discussion about measuring un-stamped sails. There are at least two sails that require it. A work party would have to be scheduled at a suitable location to get this done.

There was discussion about the use of Go-Pro cameras as not only a publicity tool, but also as an aide to the Race Committee, as far as starts, finishes, and roundings were concerned.

There was discussion about the season-long points award. This will have to be discussed when the final schedule is done.

A General Meeting will be held at the SYC on Monday April 25, at 7:30.

Respectfully submitted,
Ted Randall, President/Secretary

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