



BEVERLY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING

06 November 2008



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BRIDGE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commander Alex C. Arcisz, AP
Executive Officer Lt/C Ray Tilton, AP
Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP
Secretary Lt/C Karen Arcisz, AP
Education Officer Lt/C Ed Walsh, SN
Asst Education Officer Walter Riley, III JN

During the Supper and Social time, a slide show of events and information was running. The Commander was notified that the husband of **Virginia Cookson, SN**, had passed away. Contact information for condolences was added to the information on the slides.

Meeting in Main Hall of Jubilee Yacht Club **called to order** by Commander Arcisz at **2020**.

No Roll Call; attendance sheet was passed and recorded by Secretary Karen Arcisz; 38 members in attendance, plus 5 guests comprising family, and guests. Five Gloucester members present. *Quorum present.*

Commander announced Roster Status: 8 Life, 128 Paid, 3 New, 2 past due, 15 non-renewals, 18 past members. **He would like help in reaching out to the past and non-renewals for possible reinstatement. Please contact the Roster Updater, Karen Arcisz to assist.**

Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Lt/C Curtis Gollrad, S; of Gloucester.**

Moment of Silence observed.

Thanks: To the supper team: **Lt/C Ray Tilton, AP, Lt/C Robert Sant Fournier, P, and Harriett Sant Fournier, Lt/C Karen Arcisz, JN**, with setup and cleanup assistance from several others. **To assist with the January meal, please contact P/D/C Linda Seal, SN or Joan Bonner, AP.**

To **Norm LeBlanc and his assistants**, for their presentation on boat surveys. A Certificate of Appreciation was presented.

Minutes of the September General Meeting were waived, and a voice vote taken to accept as published online. Passed.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Executive Officer Lt/C Raymond W Tilton, AP:

P/D/C Jim Curran, AP, reported that **Cooperative Charting can always use more help.**

He and **1/Lt Walter Riley, JN** confirmed that we had 92 VSCs and more still to report. This has been an exceptional year. Walter is taking over as VSC Chair, and will be installed at the January meeting. Certificates of Appreciation were given to the VE staff: **Dick Salter, Jim Curran, Walter Riley and Karen Arcisz; Herb Ryan** had left before the award, so will be presented with his certificate at the next meeting. It was noted that **Robert Olenio, P, and Anne Olenio, P**, have CGAux certification and can pass in Vessel Exams through our squadron next year after fulfilling their CGA requirements. **We'd like to have more VEs for next year - study and take the exam online! Contact Walter Riley to express your interest.**

Ray noted that **P/C Linda Stone, N and Don Stone, N, of D12** will be in charge of the Boston Boat Show in January. **Volunteers are needed for two-hour slots of booth duty. Contact Jim Curran.**

Safety Officer Lt. Bill Ghen, AP, said there is nothing local to report, but the LNG port off Marblehead is completed. Please stay clear of them (by law and for your safety). **Robert Olenio P**, talked a little about the danger and damage from running over the floating line just below the surface (loss of rudder and extreme damage to boat as well as very expensive buoy and line). He will send info to the Secretary for posting in Hannah's Banner and on the web site.

Lt. Bill Ghen, AP, has agreed to continue as Safety Officer.

Education Officer Lt/C Ed Walsh, SN: **See the website for schedules and sign up online.**

Ed reported that the Public Boating class is very light—only 4 students at the Sr. Center in Beverly; he believes that part of the problem is lack of advertising/ public relations and loss of our Danversport class space.

The N course has also experienced problems. They are struggling with the Beta program, and incomplete material. The class started with 5 students, and is down to two. It may be rescheduled for such time as the new program actually is released, and this would give us more advertising time as well.

Mike Madison, P, offered to become a Liaison Officer. He and Commander will discuss it.

P/D/C Linda Seal, SN, will schedule an **Instructor Certification class in March if there is interest**. One student has already requested it.

Administrative Officer Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S was absent, no report.

If you know of **someone who would offer an interesting topic at a future meeting**, let Carol know.

Elliott Hewitt, AP, offered to chair Boating Activities. His name was given to the Commander for appointment.

Secretary Lt/C Karen Arcisz, JN:

Roster: All roster info is up to date. Status was announced by the Commander earlier. **Please check the roster on the web site or ask the Secretary for a hard copy of your information**, and note corrections if needed; those will be forwarded to the Secretary and then to HQ.

Publications: Next Hannah's Banner **newsletter deadline is December 15**. Any member can **send in an article**. There have been no **submissions for the Ensign Magazine**.

A short report on the Gloucester meeting was made. They had about 20 people at the meeting; 13 were voting members, and have agreed to transfer in to Beverly. **George Weston, AP**, was awarded 25 year pin, and recognition for **Lt/C Bob Duncan, SN**, as their final Full Certificate recipient. The transfer is expected to be complete around the start of the new year.

Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP:

Financial Report, \$1448.76 in checking. Fidelity down to about \$17,000..It was moved and second to approve the Treasurer's report as summarized. Passed unanimously by voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS/ GENERAL DISCUSSIONS

D/C Ron Mason, SN, spoke about the Gloucester process. Individual transfer forms will be mailed to members, then an audit will be administered. He is talking to the national officers at the Fall Conference and expects it will be done for the first of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

New Members were sworn in: **Jim MacNeill, Marc Silvagni and Dale Spencer**. They were each given their Certificate, pin and sticker. No Ensigns were available at this time, but will be presented at a later date.

Announcements:

Next E Board meeting is Thursday, December 4 2008 at 1900 in the Sandy Point Room, JYC. **Please join us!**

Next HB deadline is December 15. **Send in an article!**

Next General Meeting is Thursday, January 8, 2009 at 1830 at JYC. **Please be there!**

D18 Fall Conference will be the 4 District Fall Fling at Hampton Beach, NH. If you have not made reservations, you can still join us for any of the conference meetings FREE. . **This is a great event for all members.**

Next Silent Auction is in MAY 2009. We will promote it in a more active manner. **Please bring a new or gently used nautical item to be auctioned at the May meeting.**

Motion to adjourn seconded and passed voice vote. **Meeting adjourned at 2109.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt/C Karen Arcisz, JN

Secretary, Beverly Sail & Power Squadron

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