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MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING – January 6, 2011

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BRIDGE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commander:	Cmdr Raymond W. Tilton, AP
Executive Officer:	Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S
Administrative Officer:	Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier, P
Educational Officer:	Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN
Secretary:	Lt/C Edward S. Bell, S
Treasurer:	Lt/C John A. Hagar, AP
District 18 Officer	P/C Alex Arcisz, JN

Executive Officer: Cmdr Raymond W. Tilton

- **Captain Bill Lee,** of the vessel "Ocean Reporter," discussed underwater research and presented terrific photographs of underwater sites of interest in the Massachusetts Bay area. Extremely well done and entertaining for all of us!!
- No Roll Call; attendance sheet was passed and recorded by Secretary Lt/C Edward S. Bell; 45 members and one guest in attendance during the supper and presentation. With approximately 192 active members, this meets our required attendance for it to be declared as a quorum.
- Thank you Linda Seal and Robert Sant Fournier for preparing the meal.
- Meeting in Main Hall of Jubilee Yacht Club called to order by Cmdr Raymond W. Tilton at 20:40. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.
- A Moment of Silence was held for our men and women fighting for our freedom who may be in harms way throughout the world.
- A special presentation was made to Colleen Libby in appreciation for all she has done for us and in honor of her husband Ed Libby.
- Reading of the minutes of the January meeting was waived, and a voice vote passed to accept as published online.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Education Officer: Lt/C Edward Walsh, SN

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- The ABC Boating course started on October 18th and completed on December 13th. Congratulations goes out to the ten (10) graduates!!
- The Marine Communications course started in November and will finish on January 12^{th} .
- Piloting will begin on January 10th while Seamanship starts on January 19th and is targeted to complete on March 9th. Both courses are being held at Jubilee Yacht Club.
- **Jack Reed**, our resident web master, has completed two DreamWeaver courses to further perfect his expertise, as demonstrated with our website.

Executive Officer: Lt/C Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun, AP:

• No Vessel Safety Checks were completed over the holidays – bummer – but the team completed over 100 in 2010! Truly a terrific year by the VFC inspectors!

Administrative Officer: Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier, P

• March's General Meeting – will start at 18:30 on January 6th at the Jubilee Yacht Club.

Treasurer's Report: Lt/C John Hagar, AP:

• **Financial Report:** John Hager reported that the squadron has \$2,878 in the checking account and \$21,348 in our Fidelity account. Additionally, the investment vehicle within our Fidelity account was changed from the Contra to the Strategic Income fund. Donations of \$71 were received for tonight's supper.

OLD BUSINESS/ GENERAL DISCUSSIONS -- NONE

NEW BUSINESS

- District Administration Officer, P/C Alex Arcisz. The upcoming District 18 Spring 2011 Conference is scheduled for March 19th at the Hawthorne Hotel in Salem. For further details, please visit our website.
- The New England Boat Show is scheduled from February 26th through March 6th. The US Power Squadron will occupy a booth on the final day from 11:00 until 5:00.
- The new officers that we previously nominated were accepted. Congratulations to the following people:
 - Commander Lt/C Carol A. Quinn-LeBrun (with alternate as required by P/C Raymond W. Tilton, AP)

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- Executive Officer Lt/C Robert Sant Fournier, P
- o Educational Officer Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN
- o Secretary Mike Madison
- o Treasurer P/C John A. Hagar, AP
- Executive Committee P/C Raymond W. Tilton, AP; P/Lt/C Dick Salter, SN; P/D/C Jim Curran, AP; Lt/C John F. Reed, Jr
- Nominating Committee P/D/C Linda Seal, 3 Years Continuing; P/C Alex Arcisz, 2 Years; P/D/C Ron Mason, SN – 1 Year Chair
- Rules Committee John Graves; Alan Therrien; P/C Dexter Wheeler, SN, 1 Year Chair
- Auditing Committee Charlie Sousa, SN, 3 Years; Lt Theophilos Kuliopolus, SN, 2 Years; P/Lt/C Richard H. Salter, 1 year Chair
- Marvin Barley, a former member, has elected to rejoin the squadron.
 Congratulations Marvin! Carl Kooyoomjian has transferred into our squadron a very smart idea by Carl! Welcome aboard Carl! Finally, there has been about a dozen online applications whereby we'll compete with the other nearby squadrons for their memberships.
- A discussion surrounding the potential of having monthly general meetings, instead of every other month, was addressed and spurred some good conversation and interesting ideas. The Executive Board will evaluate the feedback and, at the earliest, trial this approach in the fall, 2011.
- Our next Executive Board meeting will be held on February 3rd at the Jubilee Yacht Club. The next General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 10, 2011 at 18:30, also at the Jubilee Yacht Club. Featured speakers will be Cal and Dave Johnson who sail on their Moody 44 "Shearwater." In 2007, Dave and a group of friends sailed the boat across the Atlantic. Then for the past four summers, Cal and Dave have been sailing and exploring the Mediterranean from Portugal to Turkey. Their talk will describe some of their adventures and favorite places.

Motion to adjourn seconded and passed voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 21:09.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt/C Edward S. Bell Secretary, Beverly Sail & Power Squadron General Meeting January 6, 2011