

SEASWORTHY

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*A Newsletter for the Bergen Chapter of
The Society for the Education of American Sailors*

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP, FORM ATTACHED

Membership Application is also available at:

http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/PDF_Docs/seas%20member%20form1.pdf

Calendar of Events:

National Annual meeting will be held on February 23 at 2 p.m.

General Meeting: next meeting will be held on February 27, at 7:30, Red Cross Building, Ridgewood. The speaker will be Matt Anzardo who is a specialist from International Paints. He will discuss the types of Marine paints currently in use, both bottom and topside, preparation, application, and tradeoffs

CPR Class, March 30, read on for details

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – no minutes from January, 2008 meeting
2007

CPR and First Aid Training

CPR w/AED (automated external defibrillator) will be available on March 30, 2008, at the Ridgewood Red Cross Building. CPR/AED will start at 10:00 a.m. The cost of the course is \$20.00. The cost of manuals and/or skill sheets, if needed, is not included.

This training is mandatory for Basic Sailing instructors and recommended for Zephyr skippers. It is also open to any interested Seas Bergen members.

Please let me know as soon as possible if you plan to attend, since course manuals and materials have to be ordered.

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EXCERPTS FROM "HARBOR LOG"

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GOOD NEWS !

We are happy to announce that the contract for the new restaurant has been awarded! The restaurant is expected to open before Memorial Day. We look forward to having drinks on the new deck!

WARNING: Bottom Paint Contains Pesticides!

What is a pesticide?

It is any substance or mixture of substances intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any insects, rodents, fungi, weeds, or other forms of plant or animal life. Here are only a few examples of pesticides: Antifouling paints, herbicides, insecticides, fungicides, dormant oils and "weed and feed" products. Pesticides ARE used on boats. The application of antifouling paints to boats is a regulated activity in New York State.

Private Boat Owners:

Must discuss applying antifouling paints to their boat, on marina property, with the marina management before they begin painting.

The boat owner must lease a specific area from the marina that is designated for applying antifouling paint, to prevent contamination to the surrounding aquatic environment.

Private boat owners who are not certified as a Commercial Pesticide Applicator in the Category 5D, may only paint their boat using antifouling paints if ALL THREE of the following conditions are met:

1. The applicator/boat owner used antifouling paints that are general use pesticides.
2. The applicator/boat owner personally owns or leases the boat being painted.
3. The boat is drydocked on property personally owned or leased by the applicator/boat owner.

Please note: The NYSDEC will be actively checking marinas and boat yards for inappropriate pesticidal paint application.

There are two classifications of pesticides:

General Use: Which are those pesticides that can be used by the general public on their own property simply by following label instructions.

Restricted Use: Which are those pesticides that are highly toxic, persistent, have potential to accumulate in the environment, or are applied to surface waters in NYS.

Restricted pesticides may ONLY be used by or under the supervision of a certified applicator. They can also ONLY be sold or distributed to fully certified applicators by holders of Commercial Sales Permits.

Please read all pesticide product labels! The directions stated on the label are the LAW!

It is a violation:

- a) To use a pesticide inconsistent with the label directions.
- b) To use a pesticide without complete label directions.
- c) To re-use a pesticide container for any purpose.
- d) To place pesticides in any container other than its original container.
- e) To improperly dispose of empty pesticide containers.

*Information provided by:
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Friendly Reminders!

1. Please bring your garbage to the dumpster! Do not leave garbage bags on the docks.
2. There is a strict No Wake Zone in the marina. As soon as you hit the breakwater, your boat should not exceed 5 knots.
3. The designated Dog Walk is located back by the trailer storage lot. Please do not walk your dog behind the ship store or down by the peninsula.

Please submit articles for the next issue to obiesail@optonline.net by March 5, 2008. Thanks.

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