

# ***SEASWORTHY***

*March 9, 2010*

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

## **REMEMBER, IT'S TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP**

Membership Application is attached to this issue, see pages 4 & 5

### **Calendar of Events:**

**General Meeting:** next meeting will be held on March 24, at 7:30, Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Ave., Ridgewood

Dear Member:

Seas Bergen is making plans for a busy, interesting and successful 2010 season. Meetings will have educational presentations as well as interesting speakers.

Our Vice Commodore is scheduling Basic Sailing classes, and with an aggressive publicity program, we hope to fill our classes.

Zephyr will be sailing as early in the spring as possible and classes will be available.

Now is the time to renew your membership and send in your 2010 dues. A membership form is attached. Send it in now so that we can include your name in the membership roster.

Happy sailing,

Louise Hauser  
Membership Committee

The minutes of the General meetings for January and February are included in this issue:

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### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – January 27, 2010**

*Submitted by Maxine House*

The monthly meeting at the Ridgewood Red Cross Building was called to order at 7:40 PM by Commodore John Mazza.

Secretary, Maxine House, read the minutes of the last executive meeting. She didn't have the November minutes and will read them at the next general meeting in February.

Ed Marcus, "Comptroller," reported a loss of [REDACTED] since last January's report. He attributed it to no Meet Up class, the purchase of new instructors' shirts, and CPR training. He projects a profit this year. The keelboat also had a slight loss, but repairs had to be made to the boat.

Ed supplied copies of the budget. (See sheets in the budget section of the Secretary's notebook.) With little discussion, the budget was unanimously approved.

Bruce Terrin, Treasurer, stated that the audit of the books has been completed & all is OK through 11/30/09, check #1707.

#### **EDUCATION – Jessa Kilgore Warshowsky, Vice Commodore**

- New course venues are needed. Glen Rock is good, so she checked Wayne adult school – It will be on the class list for 2011.
- This year we will offer courses at Glen Rock Community School, Meet Up, & Ridgewood Red Cross.
- David Warshowsky will try to get us "more hits" on the website.
- The publicity committee asked Dave Stern to manage flyers, as he did last year– it worked well then.
- Our certification is through Fairfield Red Cross. Perhaps SEAS National can make an agreement so that all-4 chapters can work through Fairfield. Bob Sandberg is researching it.
- Matt asked about using US Sailing. Jessa says that we could try them if Red Cross doesn't work out.
- Instructors present at the meeting felt they needed an instructors' meeting to better understand the paperwork involved.

#### **KEELBOAT COMMITTEE – Pat Sisti, Committee Chair**

- Pat had nothing to report, other than what was said at the Executive Meeting – an ice pocket filled the cover of the Zephyr.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – Louise Hauser, Committee Chair**

- Matt has agreed to send out membership forms.

#### **NATIONAL – Jeff Levy, National Commodore**

- The National meeting will be held on February 14 at the Fairfield Red Cross building. Pat Sisti & Louise Hauser are taking care of the food. Bruce has a speaker, Brian O'Broin, Professor at William Paterson University & former basic sailing student. He will speak about the sailing terms in the English language.
- All is well with National.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- We are set up at Monksville Reservoir for the basic sailing water sessions.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- West Marine reduced their prices!
- Jeff Levy asked the Board to discuss blacking out certain items on the website.
- Bruce found the original bylaws among his Treasurer's trove!

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 PM.

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### **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – February 24, 2010**

*Submitted by Maxine House*

The monthly meeting at the Ridgewood Red Cross Building was called to order at 7:45 PM by Commodore John Mazza.

Secretary, Maxine House, read the minutes of the last meeting & the executive board meeting. After a few corrections, they were approved.

Treasurer, Bruce Terrin, reported a balance of \$6,245. See sheet labeled 2/14/10.

#### **EDUCATION – Jessa Kilgore, Vice Commodore**

- Bob Sandberg & Jessa met with Red Cross staff. Bergen chapter is all set up. Other chapters are close. Jessa had a special thanks to Mike Mauer for his help with the paper work.
- Jessa is stilling trying to get the Red Cross in Manhattan to allow us to use their facilities for the Meet Up classes. Other venues are also being looked into.
- All class marketing will be done in March.

#### **KEELBOAT COMMITTEE – Pat Sisti, Committee Chair, absent**

- Zephyr will go in the water early, same slip.

#### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE – Louise Hauser, Committee Chair, absent**

- Applications are on the table – dues will increase after March 1.

**NATIONAL – Jeff Levy, past National Commodore, absent; Stan Alterman, the new National Commodore, was our guest & spoke to the group.**

- SEAS members & basic sailing students can get special Boat US membership deals.
- Stan wants to increase membership of SEAS.
- Stan & Dave Stern discussed insurance. Maybe the chapters can work together. We should not “charter” our boats because of insurance problems.
- National will try to save money on meeting sites for the annual meeting & for the 5 board meetings by finding a new venue.
- Stan cautioned about boating safety courses. Arrests have been made on people who just signed the certificate, but didn’t teach boating safety.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Voted not to read the November minutes that had never been read.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Speakers for future meetings. Bruce said the Greek officer wants to come back with his commanding officer. Bruce will try to get him for our March meeting. Uri Goldinger might be a possibility as a speaker on barge cruises or Bert & Lorraine Bramble on their world travels.
- National reps for Bergen are Jessa Kilgore, Jeff Levy, Jim Malone, Matt Jacobs. Dave Stern had been named, but will step down for Jeff.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 to hear Dave Stern & Maxine House talk about their recent cruise in the Leeward Islands with Uri Goldinger.

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NEW MEMBER: What are your skills and training?

BASIC \_\_\_\_\_ ADVANCED \_\_\_\_\_ NAVIGATION \_\_\_\_\_ OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about SEAS? \_\_\_\_\_

What are your expectations as a club member? \_\_\_\_\_

**SEAS** is a 100%, nonprofit organization with the mission of bringing low cost, high quality, safe sailing to the public. Each new and renewing member is required to contribute time in the organization by serving in one or more

areas. Please check the area(s) in which you are planning to serve.

\_\_\_\_\_ GENERAL EDUCATION \_\_\_\_\_ MAINTENANCE \_\_\_\_\_ MEMBERSHIP \_\_\_\_\_ PUBLICITY  
\_\_\_\_\_ ADMINISTRATIVE \_\_\_\_\_ SOCIAL \_\_\_\_\_ INSTRUCTOR

**RELEASE:** I, being over 18 years old and voluntarily participating in sailing activities and/or courses, realize and accept that this sport has some inherent potential dangers and do hereby release and hold harmless the Society for

the Education of American Sailors, Inc., its parent, sister corporations, and subsidiaries and each of its members, instructors, aides or any individual, corporation, or government agency whose facilities or equipment are used in the conduct of SEAS activities, from liability to me, my heirs, and assigns, or any injury or damage caused by any action or omission including negligence on the part of the aforementioned.

Be it resolved that SEAS BERGEN Chapter is an equal opportunity organization with regard to students and members. It does not discriminate against applicants and students on the basis of race, color or national origin.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Bergen SEAS Annual Dues  
Membership Level Dues Voting Rights Notes

Basic Member\* \$50.00 YES Includes Bergen & National membership privileges

Keelboat 5 Member\*\*\* \$275.00 YES

Supporting Member PLUS Includes **Weekday** Zephyr privileges, not including holidays. New (KB5) members are entitled to three onboard classes on skippering & maintaining a 27' keelboat, or a "checkout" to determine if the 3-day class can be waived.

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Keelboat 7 Member\*\*\* \$425.00 YES

Supporting Member PLUS Includes **Weekday & Weekend & Holiday** Zephyr privileges. New (KB7) members are entitled to three onboard classes on skippering & maintaining a 27' keelboat, or a "checkout" to determine if the 3-day class can be waived.

\*Renewals received prior to March 1st will be eligible for a \$5 Early Bird discount, and guaranteed a listing in the Annual Chapter Roster

\*\*Keelboat 5 & 7 Members are required to volunteer a minimum of hours of either Zephyr or small boat maintenance or as a Water Assistant

THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE Bergen Chapter of SEAS is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Ridgewood Red Cross, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood NJ and is followed by an educational program

Please submit articles for the next issue to [obiesail@gmail.com](mailto:obiesail@gmail.com) April 9, 2010. Thanks.

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – John Mazza

Vice Commodore – Jessa Kilgore

Secretary – Maxine House

Treasurer – Bruce Terrin

Past Commodore – Peter Kestenbaum

Trustees: Matt Jacobs, Louise Hauser, and Peter Kestenbaum

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