

SEASWORTHY

April 9, 2009

*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 available at:

http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/PDF_Docs/Membership_Form%202009.pdf

Please send in your Seas membership for 2009, if you haven't already done so. It is time to publish the 2009 Membership Roster and we don't want to leave anyone out, thank you.

Calendar of Events:

General Meeting: next meeting will be held on April 22, 2009, at 7:30, Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Ave., Ridgewood

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – March 25, 2009

Submitted by Yolanda Reynolds

Present: 22 Members

Meeting called to order @ 7: 45 p.m. by Commodore John Mazza. The Executive Board Meeting Minutes of 3/18/09 were read and revised; (corrected: 1) Matt and Jeff do not need John Mazza to accompany them on the Keelboat when teaching and 2) Mark Sisti will make cosmetic repairs to the Keelboat. The General Board Meeting Minutes of 2/25/09 were read and approved.

Membership: Louise Hauser

- Reported membership of 32+.

Education: No report: Jessa Kilgore was not in attendance.

Keelboat: Pat Sisti

- Reported the boat in Haverstraw to be uncovered by Helmut on the weekend. Noted: while Helmut does not need assistance at this time; he will need help later. Pat requests anyone interested in assisting Helmut with the boat at a later date, to please let her know.

National: Jeff Levy

- Jeff read the minutes of the National Board Meeting, held in Parsippany, NJ on Saturday, Feb. 28th at the Parsippany Troy Public Library, which was attended by 12 Bergen Seas Members. Jeff reported the following:
 - There have been no changes in the last 15 years. The American Red Cross was discussed; mentioned we are looking for other options other than the ARC;
 - 3 cruises are planned between Columbus Day and Jan. 2010;
 - Bergen membership numbers were reported;
 - Newsletters – Chapters do their own;
 - Website discussed; Matt spoke re Unix servers;
 - Jessa spoke about Facebook;
 - Chapter reports discussed;
 - SEAS ship store is on-line and lastly, Matt received an Award.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – March 25, 2009 (continued):

Treasurer: Ed Marcus

- Reported that there are 2 cruising funds in the amount of \$ [REDACTED] and \$ [REDACTED]
- General Funds = \$ [REDACTED].
- Keelboat Funds = \$ [REDACTED] for a total of \$ [REDACTED].
- Registration for the boats upcoming, at approx. \$ [REDACTED].
- Ed spoke with the City Island Treasurer, who pays 2/3 of what Bergen pays for SEAS insurance. Ed will look into this Insurance Company.

Old Business: Louise Hauser

- CPR course was conducted at the ARC for 6 students. No future courses scheduled. The course is offered annually.

New Business: Bruce Terrin

- Reported he tried to reach Vince Rogers; no answer. Will try reaching someone else to do a presentation for the next General Board Meeting in April.
- The night's speakers were announced: Christa Ocker and Pat Sisti re their Thailand trip.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:10 p.m.

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Hudson River Day

- June 5th – Battery Park will host the pre-celebration launch party and festivities. Including a 3pm parade around Liberty Island and a 5pm blessing of the Fleet.
- June 6th – First official day kicks off the celebration at the Manhattan Yacht Club.
- June 7th -- Flotilla will arrive at Haverstraw Marina by 11am for a midday celebration, leaving for Beacon/Newburgh by 2pm, where they will stay for the next couple days running educational programs.
- June 10th to 13th – Flotilla will move upriver to participate in more education programs and celebrations.

Hiring young adults age 14 and up as dock hands and lifeguards. Contact Robyn or Sherrie at 845-429-2001.

Hudson Water Club Restaurant

- Opening for season Saturday, April 4th.
- Marina member discounts – 10% discount on food during April and May.

Evening Seminars

- Free of charge at the Haverstraw Marina Conference Center 7:30 to 9:30pm April 1st and April 15th. Seating is limited and pre-registration is required by logging onto www.hudsoncove.com
 - "ABCs of Sail Racing" – Designed for people that have never raced before. Topics covered will include:
 - How races are set up, where to be and how start a race, basics of racing rules, understanding how to read racing course instructions, what you need to do to register your boat to race, assistance on completing the racing registration forms and PHRF certificate.

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- “Racing Rules Changes 2009-2012” – Designed for past racers that must now learn the racing rule changes that go into effect this season. You cannot race this season without knowledge of these changes. Topics covered will include:
 - Highlights of the rule changes and how they apply to you and your crew, reference materials – best sources and sample materials detailing the new rules, discussion, questions, and interaction with your fellow skippers.

Samalot Marine has a new online store. www.samalotmarine.com. Look on right-hand side for link to store.

Please submit articles for the next issue to obiesail@optonline.net by May 9, 2009. Thanks.

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – John Mazza
Vice Commodore – Jessa Kilgore
Secretary – Yolanda Reynolds
Treasurer – Ed Marcus
Past Commodore – Peter Kestenbaum
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