

# SEASWORTHY

May 10, 2005

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

(Membership Application blanks available [http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join\\_us.htm](http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join_us.htm))

**Remember, to renew your membership if you haven't already!**

## Calendar of Events:

**General Meeting:** May 25, 2005, American Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood, NJ 07450, 7:30 pm.

**Keelboat Committee Meeting:** May 23, 2005 at Elsie's Marangi's house at 6:30 pm.  
Keelboat Skipper Checkouts: Afternoons of May 21 & May 22, 2005

**Basic Sailing Fleet Maintenance Day:** May 14<sup>th</sup> at Jessa Kilgore's home, mark your calendars.

**Spring Splash Picnic:** June 26<sup>th</sup> at Haverstraw Marina, more calendar marking! See flyer on Page 5 for details.

## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – April 27, 2005

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*Submitted by Pat Sisti, Secretary.*

Meeting called to order by Commodore Dave Stern at 19:35. 27 members present.

Minutes of previous meeting accepted as read.

**TREASURER REPORT:** \$21,071.08 total in bank. 62 paid members.

### **EDUCATION:** Bob English & Matt Jacobs

- Basic Refresher classes on the small boats will be held in June, July & August at Monksville. \$10 per person.
- Basic Instructors course. Possible two registrants.
  - Must teach one course every two years to remain certified.
  - Must be CPR certified.
  - Fee is reimbursed after teaching one class.
- Towers & water assistants needed at Monksville for Basic water classes:
  - June 11 & 18, July 16 & 23, & August 13 & 20.
- Keelboat classes at Haverstraw scheduled for:
  - June 11 – 18 – 25 & July 9 – 16 – 23 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – April 27, 2005 (continued):**

**PUBLICITY:**

- Barbara Ackerman has distributed flyers to numerous locations.
- An article appeared in local newspaper following inquiry by Dave Stern.
- Thank you letters sent to Barbara Ackerman and Christa Ocker for their work.
- Jessa Kilgore reported on the Student Ambassador Program for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> graders. On June 12<sup>th</sup> there will be a sailing “open house” at Monksville to encourage interest. Volunteers needed.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Louise Hauser

- New rosters distributed.
- During coming year, any additions/changes will be published in Seasworthy.

**MAINTENANCE:** Matt Jacobs

- Maintenance day for small boats is May 14<sup>th</sup> at Jessa Kilgore’s house, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, lunch provided.

**KEELBOAT:** John O’Blenis

- Both weekday and weekend passes still available.
- Repairs are behind schedule due to bad weather.
- Skipper checkouts will be held May 21<sup>st</sup> after noon and May 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- Spring Splash picnic will be held June 26<sup>th</sup> at Haverstraw Marina.
- Next meeting of Keelboat Committee scheduled for May 23<sup>rd</sup> at Elsie Marangi’s home.

**NATIONAL:**

- Jeff Levy reviewed highlights of previous National meeting, including available cruises.
- Larry Wasserman is willing to give a talk on celestial navigation on request.
- Subject of donating money or material to National lending library put forth but not acted on.

Meeting adjourned at 20:25. Next meeting **MAY 25, 2005 at 7:30 pm**

An informative display of GPS equipment was presented by a representative of West Marine following the regular meeting.

**Keelboat Education**

*Submitted by Louise Hauser*

Sign up now. We plan to have two classes for Keelboat education this season, one in June on the 11th, 18th and 25th, and one in July on the 9th, 16th, and 23rd. There is a lot of interest in these classes. Several members have already signed up. We limit each class to four candidates. Successful completion of this course may entitle you to a Class C skipper rating.

An application form for this class is included on page 4. Reserve your place while there is still room.

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**KEELBOAT COMMITTEE:**

**Get your Keelboat passes**, they're going like hotcakes! Keep those checks coming. Forms and prices are available on the SEAS website. There is a limited number of full season passes available.

**Got Web Site Stuff?**

*By Matt Jacobs*

Please send it to [Matt Jacobs](mailto:Matt.Jacobs), for compilation and don't forget to check out the website <http://www.sailseas.com/bergen>.

**Daffy Definition for the month**

Submitted by Betty

Anchoring: A process during which the anchor is lowered and rancor is heightened!

*Note from the Editor:*

*Thanks again to all who submitted articles. The submission deadline for our next issue will be **Monday, June 6**. Anyone may submit articles by e-mail to [obiesail@optonline.net](mailto:obiesail@optonline.net).*

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – Dave Stern

Vice Commodore – Bob English and Matt Jacobs

Secretary - Pat Sisti

Treasurer - Maxine House

Trustee to 2005 - Bob Schneider

Trustee to 2006 - Jeff Levy

Trustee to 2007 – Louise Hauser

Past Commodore – Walt Tuers

National Representatives - Jo Ann Byrnes, Joan McParland, Jeff Levy, Maggie Peterffy, and Louise Hauser

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**Ranger Keelboat Student Application**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Street \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Work

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Prerequisite – Red Cross or USSA Basic Sailing certificate. A candidate that has had training elsewhere must first take a written and sailing test based on the “Start Sailing Right” manual.

There will be a \$50.00 charge for this checkout

**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.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Passing the class entitles you to become a Class C skipper

Please send your check to SEAS Bergen  
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## SPRING SPLASH 2005

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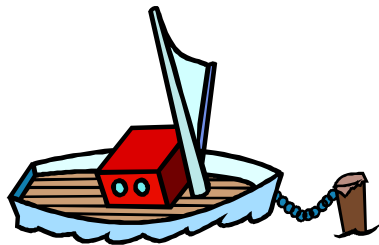
THIS YEAR IT WILL BE ON  
SUNDAY, JUNE 26<sup>TH</sup>  
from 11:00 am until we're tired

Join us at the Haverstraw Marina  
for good conversation, good food and  
a sail on Hi Seas.

Cost is only \$15 per person

Kids 12 yrs. & under = \$5.

We'll provide all the food, including desserts.  
*(If you want to bring something special, let us know.)*  
Just let us know soon that you are coming  
so we can plan.



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