

SEASWORTHY

May 5, 2004

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

PLEASE REMEMBER TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP NOW

(Membership Application blanks available http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/join_us.htm)

Calendar of Events:

General Meeting: May 26, at the American Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood, 7:30 p.m.

*****Note, this is a new location for our monthly general meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month through November 2004. ****

Keelboat Committee meeting, May 25, at 19:00. email Pat Sisti for directions: psisti@msn.com.

Spring Splash coming --- June 13th (with rain date June 27th) - \$15 dollars per person in advance, \$18 dollars at the door. Read on for more details.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, April 28, 2004 SEAS BERGEN

Submitted by Pat Sisti, Secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Walt Tuers, Commodore, at 19:35. Members present: 26. Minutes of the last General Meeting were read and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Maxine House gave report, total in treasury \$23,894.

MEMBERSHIP: Louise Hauser introduced several prospective members. The 2004 rosters are available.

PUBLICITY: Barbara Anderson submitted SEAS information to local Suburban Newspapers and the Bergen Record. She also distributed flyers, which she had made, to many local libraries. In addition, there is a poster at West Marine.

KEELBOAT: John O'Blenis reported 8 out of the 12 full passes and 7 of the 15 weekday passes are reserved. He then gave a short description of Hi Seas for the new people attending the meeting. Bill DuPree stated the work on the mast and other minor work will be done on Hi Seas Saturday, May 1st, and Sunday, May 2nd, with launch set for the following week. He also gave an estimate to install jib roller furling on Hi Seas as \$1700 including modification of the 150 sail. This will be discussed at the keelboat meeting.

CRUISING: The Monmouth Chapter is sponsoring 3 upcoming cruises: Key West 4/30 – 5/5/04; Naraganset 9/3 – 9/10/04; and the Chesapeake Bay on Columbus Day weekend.

NATIONAL: JoAnn Byrnes gave a report on the April 14th National Board meeting. \$7188 in treasury, 400 members. An on-line store featuring SEAS clothing/equipment will be available on the website shortly. The Westchester Chapter will be sponsoring a cruising course Memorial Day weekend. Contact Tom Abinanti at 914-949-1700 for more information. The National membership fee is under discussion.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES, April 28, 2004
SEAS BERGEN (continued):

NATIONAL continued: A constitutional amendment is being considered to change chapter representation. Now it is based on size and number of classes; the proposal would be a set number from each chapter. A motion to refund 50% of chapter dues is pending. National is looking for an editor for SEASONS publication.

EDUCATION: Bob English reported that all SEAS classes are listed on the website. Chris Ocker worked up two colorful flyers with great eye appeal. The following help is needed on days of water class: general assistants and towers who have a hitch on their vehicle.

Dave Stern is looking for more students for the Basic Sailing Instructors' course being held May 15th & 22nd. Delivery date of the new American 14.6 is not yet definite. Betty Keller offered to receive delivery to her home in Little Falls. The old Coronado is not sold yet. This raises problem of storage at McCann's, as we will have one too many boats. Maintenance day for the teaching boats is Sunday, May 16th. Members should show up at Matt Jacobs' home with buckets, etc. 7 Clifton Place, Glen Rock. Directions on website or call 201-445-9669.

OLD BUSINESS: Spring Splash picnic will be held June 13th with rain date to be June 27th. \$13 in advance, \$18 day of picnic, \$5 kids under 12.

Matt Jacobs reported that the Basic Sailing Course and moonlight sail brought in \$475 at the auction to benefit Central School, Glen Rock.

Diane Kolins is looking for volunteers to man National's booth at the Clearwater Festival to be held at Croton-on-Hudson June 19th & 20th. Entrance fee \$10. While Hi Seas will not be available for sails, Jeff Levy's boat will be.

The meeting adjourned at 20:35. A video on sail trim followed refreshment break.

THANKS FROM THE KEELBOAT COMMITTEE

Submitted by John O'Blenis

Here's a note of thanks to all who helped get the HiSeas ready this year, we appreciate your hard work and weekend sacrifices. Thanks to all of you, the HiSeas will be ready for another season of activities.

Keelboat Education

The first keelboat education course for the 2004 season will be held on June 12th, June 26th and July 10th. There is one opening available in this class because of a cancellation. The class is limited to four candidates. This is a great introduction to cruising boat sailing. Successful completion of basic sailing class or demonstrating sailing competence is necessary. The cost is \$150.

If you wish to join the class or want more information, call or email Louise Hauser - 201-791-0589 or wa2juo@aol.com



SPRING SPLASH

SEAS BERGEN ANNUAL PICNIC

THIS YEAR IT WILL BE ON
SUNDAY, JUNE 13TH
from 10:00 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 \$13 per person
when paid in advance.
(\$18 at dock)
Kids under 12 yrs. = \$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.



RSVP to:
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DIRECTIONS ON www.sailseas.com/bergen

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*Note from the Editor: Thanks again to all who submitted articles. The submission deadline for our next issue will be **Monday, June 7**, mark your calendars! Anyone may submit articles by e-mail to obiesail@optonline.net.*

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – Walter Tuers

Vice Commodore – Bob English and David Stern

Secretary - Pat Sisti

Treasurer - Maxine House

Trustee to 2004 – Maggie Peterffy

Trustee to 2005 - Bob Schneider

Trustee to 2006 - Jeff Levy

Past Commodore – Maxine House

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