

GLAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, May 13, 2017

Location: Bobby C's Restaurant, Port Darlington

Present:

Margaret Mair

Richard Mair

Marc Decorte

Cathie Coultis

Rob Feeney

Regrets: Phil Birkenheier, Don Campbell

The meeting was called to order at 11:15, with welcoming comments by Commodore Cathie Coultis.

The minutes of the last meeting had been sent by email on Sunday, and some hard copies brought to the meeting by Cathie. Marc moved that those minutes be accepted; Rob seconded the motion. It was carried.

Commodore's Report (Cathie) (attached):

Membership: Since the February renewal deadline for Roster and Early Bird Rate there have been:

- 5 membership renewals
- 2 new membership applications
- 2 former members rejoining

Current membership is 45.

3 owners-in-negotiation have contacted Cathie about applying for membership this year. All three Albergs will be moving from Ontario to home waters in other parts of Canada.

2017 Membership Rosters will be sent out by regular mail in the coming week; new members joining after the cutoff date will be listed on a separate page.

Alberg 37 50th Anniversary: Cathie has asked Canadian Yachting for permission to post one of their articles from the 1970s on the Alberg 37 and for access to other material they may have. She will pass all material she has collected to Rob for posting on GLAA website's special Alberg 37 page.

Syronelle 50th Anniversary: GAM on Yachting has offered to help the GLAA celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Syronelle in 2018.

Alberg 37 International Association: Tom and Kaye Assenmacher are now looking for someone to take over the website; if no-one takes over within the next year the site and Association will be shut down.

Partners Programme: GAM, GOB magazine and Ontario Sailor will continue to support the Association through the next year. The Rigging Shoppe is reviewing its link. The only business that has paid the annual advertising fee this year so far is UK Sailmakers Toronto; Phil will send a reminder to those who have not yet paid.

Inventory: Cathie has completed an inventory of regalia and membership material on hand and Marc has completed an inventory of racing flags.

Events:

- Plans to hold an Open House in conjunction with the Syronelle in June are being reassessed; Phil and Cathie are looking at alternative dates and locations.
- The Toronto area Rendezvous at TH&SC conflicts with an event already scheduled there; Phil and Cathie are also checking for other dates and locations for this.
- Cathie will be sending an eblast to determine interest in a Rendezvous at the eastern end of the lake, to be held at TrentPort Marina in Trenton.
- On the Hard Seminar Series: the first seminar was held at Brian Chapman's UK Sailmaker's loft, April 8th; 9 GLAA members were in attendance. Wiggers in Port Darlington would prefer to do a fibreglass seminar on a Friday; Marc will approach Mark Watson, who has expressed an interest in teaching a class on the same subject, possibly at a time more likely to encourage attendance.
- Cathie and John Coultis are organizing a fun car rally for Fall.

Trophies: Cruising Log Trophy guidelines will be emailed to all members by end of May. The Bent Fork Trophy will be rebuilt in time for the next AGM dinner.

Event notices: The process to be followed to inform GLAA members about events was outlined.

Financials: (from Phil, attached)

Regalia: Note: Loss per unit on hats due to artwork cost, since recouped.

Bank balance: Dec 31st 2016	2622.10
Total income, YTD	2009
Total exp. YTD	500.10
Bank Balance: YTD	4131

Holding Account:	200
Available General Revenue Funds:	3931

Actual Balance:	4091
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Inventory: To be adjusted: Flag inventory: Gold	26
Red	24

Blue 24
50th Anniversary DVD: 2

Executive members should let Phil know about any budget changes needed.

Other: Members who have not yet responded will be asked again whether they want email communication.

Members should let Cathie know about boats that are being or have been sold, so that the information can be entered in the history log kept by the Chesapeake Association.

Secretary's Report (Margaret): All basic information has been entered in the spreadsheet of clubs and marinas to be contacted in our search for Alberg sailors. There are between 130 and 135 organizations that may have Albergs in them and that can be contacted based on information gathered; most of the initial contact can be by email. Margaret and Cathie will continue to work on dividing the areas the clubs are in into suitable regions that can be used to tailor the Association's approach to them.

Racing Report (Marc): The Syronelle Regatta has been confirmed for National Yacht Club. There will be two loaner boats for the American racers to use, Marc's and Rob's, more would be welcome. Six visitors (5 racers) are confirmed, accommodations are being arranged. It was suggested the Pot Luck dinner the night before be at the Canadian Legion on Lakeshore Boulevard close to NYC and Marc contacted John Kitchener about the possibility of arranging this. Details of the Syronelle will be sent to Rob by May 24th for publication on the website. The Rendezvous Triangle Race and the Great Lakes Championship (at NYC, August 26, 2017) are being planned.

The Rankin Regatta has been confirmed for September 23-24, 2017.

Website (Rob): Current events are now on the front page, including updates on the event calendar, a reminder of the Alberg 37 anniversary and a countdown to the Syronelle. Forum archives will be used to beef up the maintenance section and executive members will encourage people to send in maintenance articles. The newsletter subscription link on the front page now goes to Contact Us.

Website/Newsletter: Articles are needed, new, old and revisited. Seasonal articles and checklists, including spring launch preparation, after haulout/winter preparation and checklists of preparations for going out sailing and leaving the boat after return could be highlighted each year.

Newsletter: Rob is waiting for the newsletter template from Jeff. Cathie reminded the board that each newsletter includes brief contributions from each Executive member, and that these could be a report on something recent.

Bylaws state there will be 4 issues a year. This year, since the newsletter has been added to Rob's responsibilities as webmaster, there will be three: July (submission deadline June 10), September (submission deadline Aug 31), December (submission deadline Nov 7). Race results can be submitted later, 1 to 3 days after races. Photos to be used should look good on a

computer screen and can be sent actual size, or medium if several are sent at once. Cathie will send an eblast asking for pictures and articles.

Crew bank: this will be developed on the website (categories: looking for crew, looking to crew) and will include crew for rendezvous, cruises and deliveries.

Motion to accept the reports as presented was made by Rob, seconded by Richard. Motion carried.

New Business

The unusually high water levels on the lake were discussed, and the effects on clubs and marinas around the lake. Concern was expressed about how this would affect upcoming events to be held in early to mid-summer..

Possible fibreglass seminar: Marc will contact Mark Watson about a fibreglass seminar and put him in touch with Cathie. The seminar could be part of a rendezvous.

Volunteers: Members will be encouraged to volunteer to do small tasks. Efforts to encourage families to get involved were discussed, including promoting a fun race, possibly a short point to point with a potluck, as family race. Details of the fun race will be discussed further.

Motion to adjourn put forward by Marc, seconded by Richard.

Meeting adjourned 14:28.