

**Safety Harbor Boat Club Meeting Minutes
February 2, 2011**

**Officers Present: Von Taylor, Commodore; Ron Poirson, Vice Commodore; Marty Horowitz, Treasurer; and
Cindy Anderson, Secretary**

Von Taylor called the meeting to order at 18:35. Approximately 18 people were in attendance.

Commodore's Report:

Von welcomed everyone.

The Bahama Breeze lunch event was held on 1/22. It was extremely cold and the weather didn't cooperate to sail/boat there however about 12 people showed up and a good time, and lunch, was had by all.

The memberships dues for the 2011 year continue to come in, however quite a few are still outstanding. The club is issuing membership cards as dues are paid. A membership list was distributed and continues to be updated.

Brenda Poirson, Holiday Party chair, gave an initial review of possible locations for the holiday party and will continue her research on options to be presented next month. Right now the "pickings" are good and since we got an early start on it choice of dates and locations are pretty wide open.

Five (5) boats from the SHBC were in the Good Old Boat Regatta in St. Petersburg. There was a lot of wind, 20-25 knots with gusts to 30. Larry and Candy Pritchett's boat S/V Mystic, a 1964 Rhodes, won the Oldest Boat award. All 5 boats did well in the race and had solid placing in the middle of the rankings – good showing everyone!

Vice Commodore Report:

Ron reported there were 2 scheduled races in January: the 1/15 race canceled due to inclement weather and the 1/22 race had 6 boats in it.

We have lost/damaged racing buoys and/or anchors so we need to address this.

There is an upcoming trip to the Museum of Science and Industry (MOSI) on Saturday 2/5 which also includes a movie and a planetarium. Cost is \$21 adult, \$19 seniors, and \$17 kids. It was mentioned that there are possibly discount discounts available at Publix supermarkets. Anyone wanting to carpool should meet at the marina at 10am.

On Saturday February 19 a trip is planned to the Tampa Bay Downs for their races. Entry is \$2 for the grandstand or \$3 for the clubhouse. Anyone wanting to carpool should meet at the marina at 11:30am.

Races for February are scheduled for 2/12 and 2/26, both at 2:30pm.

We're "hoping" for a spring training baseball game with Philadelphia Phillies and the Tampa Bay Rays at the Brighthouse Field in Clearwater for March 5, 1:05pm, but it was mentioned that it was believed to be sold out already so that will be investigated and possible alternatives, such as the Toronto Blue Jays in Dunedin, researched. There are about 5 major league spring training camps within about an hour's drive so there are possibly other options.

There is a St. Patty's Day race scheduled for March 19, start time to be verified by tide scheduled, but believed to be about 2pm for the start of the race. The shelter at the Veteran's Memorial Park (the park between the marina and the pier in Safety Harbor) has been reserved from 9am – 9pm. Mel Nichols has graciously accepted the Head Chef role for corned beef and cabbage dinner and will need volunteers for the setup, cooking, and cleanup. Please let Ron know how you can help with this time intensive effort.

The Tampa Bay boat show is scheduled for March 11-13 and we'll be offering carpooling.

March 13 is the start of Daylight Savings time so we will resume the Wednesday night races starting March 16.

For April, we will do a chili cook-off and more about this will be discussed at the March meeting.

Secretary Report:

Cindy's January minutes were distributed via email prior to the meeting and printed copies were available at the meeting. There were accepted and seconded.

Treasurer's Report:

Marty reported in January there was \$300 income from dues received, \$23 income from last month's 50/50, \$120 in expenses, \$0 A/R and A/P outstanding, and the current balance was \$1979 plus \$18 in petty cash.

Discussion:

There was a photo presentation by Candy and Larry Pritchett of the trip to St. Petersburg the day before the Old Boat Race. They left at 8am in cold, rain and fog only to be followed by cold, more rain and windy conditions. It did clear, fortunately, for the race the next day although it continued to be below average temperatures and very windy.

John Viverito and Patrick Whelan completed the financial audit of the SHBC's accounting books and found them to be in good order. A report was turned in. It included some suggestions such as a physical inventory of assets should be performed (that's scheduled for Sat 2/5) and to follow "best practices" that 2 signatures be required on all checks. SHBC's current charter has an article that states that a 2nd board member must initial all checks in excess of \$100 so discussion followed, a vote was taken, and was agreed by 16 of 18 people in attendance (John and Patrick abstained from voting since they did the audit and made the recommendation) that no change would be made to the club's charter. It was motioned by John Viverito that we authorize petty cash increased to \$100 and was seconded by Brian Garry.

A friend of Ellen Henderson, Jody Larson, who is a sailor from the San Francisco (CA) Bay area and now resides locally, was introduced and she discussed some of the exciting sailing she'd done there previously. The SF Bay offers a unique combination of wind, water, waves and extreme currents as well as some very interesting views with the hills and skyline of San Francisco, the Golden Gate Bridge to the north, the Bay Bridge to the south and Alcatraz and Angel Island in the middle.

Phyllis Garry was recognized for her contributions and volunteer activities as a Life Member of the Girl Scouts. She can also accept orders for girl scout cookies.

Drawings were done: Patrick Whelan won the door prize, a clip on light; and, the 50/50 was won by ? and paid \$13.

The next meeting is set for March 2nd at 6:30p at the Safety Harbor Library.

With all business complete, Von requested a motion to adjourn. Marty moved to adjourn. Cindy seconded the motion. All agreed. The meeting adjourned at 20:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Anderson,
Secretary/Scribe