Safety Harbor Boat Club Meeting Minutes May 4, 2011

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

Von Taylor called the meeting to order at 18:34 by ringing a ship's bell.

Ellen Henderson introduced the night's guest speakers, Bill Moretti and Gary Stubbs, from the Power Squadron. They gave a presentation on the highlights of FL boating laws and discussed the training schedule they offer. They had a large selection set of brochures on their offerings such as vessel and safety courses, including a Boating Safety and Seamanship course.

Commodore's Report:

Von welcomed everyone and apologized for a miscommunication on the boat inspections. They will be rescheduled for sometime in June.

Von and Betty met up with Dick and Sharon Greenhalph of *Island girl* and Patrick Whelan of *Sun Catcher* last month for a sail from Gulfport to the Seafood Shack in Bradenton. Brian and Phyllis Garry of *Wild Irish Rose* and Bob and Shirley Sullivan of *Fool Consumption* joined them for cocktails and a great meal. They enjoyed a sail/motor sail as there was initially very little wind however it picked up after crossing under the Skyway Bridge. Later they learned that someone had jumped from the Skyway Bridge that day.

The deposit for the Holiday Party has been made at the Rusty Pelican in Tampa which will be Sunday, December 11th 6-10pm. They have started a signup sheet to try to get a basic head count and food selection can be made also. The cost will be subsidized by the club and the cost to members will be \$20.

Club apparel and burgees that has been requested from members has been ordered and are due in about May 15th. There are some extra hats and visors as well as some long sleeve t-shirts.

Please let Ron Poirson know of any ideas or speakers for future club meetings or any activities you would like to the club to offer/organize.

Vice Commodore Report:

Ron also apologized for the miscommunication on the boat inspections and will be contacting those that requested them and rescheduling them for June.

Upcoming events for the club include:

- Racing every Wednesday, except the 1st Wednesday of the month when we have these meetings, starts at 6:30.
- 5/14 will be a Saturday race at 10:30am.
- 5/21 will be a raft up at 6pm.
- 5/28 will be a Saturday race at 10:30am.
- 6/4 will be a Saturday race at 2:30pm.
- 6/11 will be a luncheon at Bahama Breeze at 11:30am. If wanting to sail over/boat over, be at the marina by 9:30 for a 10am departure.
- 6/18 will be a Saturday race at 2:30pm.
- 7/2 will be a Saturday race at 2:30pm. This is the 4th of July holiday weekend and we will try to get a permit for the shelter for a picnic following else we will use the dock.

No update on the Powder Puff race as Candy was not available for the update. Since June is very busy already it will probably be held in July.

Secretary Report:

Cindy's April 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:

In Marty's absence, Von shared the financials of the club. Income from the 50/50 in April was \$17. Expenses for the month were \$734.14 due to the apparel order. The bank balance, including petty cash, is \$1112.69. Chris Garill moved to accept and it was seconded by Ellen Henderson.

Discussion:

Dale gave an update on the new lights for the marina. They are making a mount for markers 2 & 6 for the channel entrance and no completion date has been announced.

The 2 permanent markers are doing well that were recently launched/set. Steve has a 3rd marker, which is under repair as they have chain and anchor but the marker itself needs some work.

Ellen suggested the "Save the Manatee" group as a possible meeting idea subject.

The alligator has been removed from the marina and the boat bottom cleaner was quite happy about that.

Mike Hembry won \$15 from the 50/50 drawing.

Chris Garill won the door prize, a box of chocolates.

The next meeting of the SHBC will be Wednesday June 1 at 6:30 at the Safety Harbor Library.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:43pm and we chatted with Power Squadron representatives and gathered up some of their literature and brochures.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Anderson, Secretary/Scribe