

**Safety Harbor Boat Club Meeting Minutes
October 5, 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 18:31 with 20 members, plus officers, present.

Ellen Henderson introduced our speaker C. J. Stites, retired Marine Patrol Officer (35 years) from Bridgeport CT who now runs the Dolphin Adventure and Sightseeing Tours in Clearwater Beach. He talked about some of the work he did, some of the bigger investigations he participated in, had statistics on the types of services the organization provided, and about some of the lifesaving rescues (or recovery efforts) at the City of Bridgeport's surrounding waters.

Commodore Report:

Von opened the floor for nominations of the 2012 SHBC officers. Dale Cuddeback nominated Von Taylor to return as Commodore, which he accepted. Ron Poirson voiced he would not accept Vice Commodore position and Sean Dorosinki was nominated. Marty Horowitz also said he would not accept the Treasurer spot and asked Frank Fitzhenry to accept a nomination, which he did. Chris Garrill asked me (Cindy) to continue for another year as Secretary, which I accepted.

Von reminded everyone that the website is updated regularly and to use it for the most up-to-date information on activities and it provides a wealth of useful information available on it.

Von asked the members to email me (Cindy) to nominate a club member for extra contribution/effort to the club and/or Safety Harbor community. The recognition award will be given at the Annual Holiday party in December which will be at the Rusty Pelican. Also, it's time to start making food selections and paying. The cost is \$20 per member if paid by December 1, else increases to \$25.00 per member after December 1st. Non-members/guests will be \$45.00 each, of which \$25.00 will go for their membership. We need to confirm the count by December 1st with The Rusty Pelican and once again the club will subsidize the cost of the meals.

Von also reminded members that 2012 club dues are coming due. Initiation and annual dues will be the amount of \$25.00 per family/boat and this is a good time to get that done as well.

Von reported that he and Chris Garrill cleaned/de-barnacled the club's buoys.

Von's daughter made name tags (which most were wearing!). Return them to the box at end of meeting and he will bring to future events and meetings.

Vice Commodore Report:

Upcoming events for the club include:

- Racing every Wednesday, except the 1st Wednesday of the month when we have these meetings, starts at 6pm (due to sun setting earlier now). This is the last month of Wednesday racing as 11/6 is the start of Daylight Savings.
- 10/8 will be a Saturday race at 2:30pm. Please note that due to Safety Harbour's Harbor Sound event you'll need to park elsewhere.
- 10/8 is also the Red Bull Flutog, an amateur built rolling, flying, floating vehicles, held off the docks and into the water behind the Tampa Convention Center.
- 10/22 will be the Commodore's Cup race at 1pm, with the Skipper's meeting at 11:45, and an Oktoberfest party/picnic starting about 5pm. Bratwurst, sauerkraut and buns will be provided, bring a side or desert to share, and Dunedin Brewery has donated a keg of beer for the event. The Oktoberfest party is free for members and \$5 per non-members/guests for the party --- everyone is welcome to attend even if not racing in the Commodore's Cup.
- 11/6 is start of Daylight Savings time.
- 11/12 was the tentative date for the Dunedin Brewery tour until Cindy brought up that is also Dunedin's Wines the Blues festival weekend (both Fri 11/11 and the main event on Sat 11/12) with an estimated 20,000 people coming to town we will need to reschedule.

Secretary Report:

Cindy thanked June Horowitz for filling in for her as Secretary/Scribe at the September meeting. June's September meeting minutes were distributed via email prior to and hard copies were available at the meeting. These were accepted and seconded.

Treasurer's Report:

Marty reported on the financials of the club for September and the 3rd quarter. Income from September was \$93 and expenses were \$155.44. The bank balance for month and quarter, including petty cash of \$91.66, is \$1386.32. These were accepted and seconded.

Discussion:

Frank Fitzhenry discussed the 2011 Toys for Tots Program and that we're accepting donations of new, unwrapped toys now thru early December.

Dick had a boat trip scheduled to Boca Grande for 10/8 and it has been delayed to depart on 10/15 with estimated return of 10/22 if anyone wants to join.

Von is working with the city on new signage on the markers and that the manatee sign needs to be lowered or moved as it blocks the entrance markers.

Safety Harbor's Holiday Parade will be coming up in early December. We have a small boat on a trailer that we've used before that we'll decorate and pull in the parade. It will have our Safety Harbor Boat Club banner on the boom to advertise our group.

Club apparel, hats and burgees are available for purchase.

Patrick Whelan showed pictures of how high pilings should be in our marina for proper water surge in the event of a hurricane.

Ellen had pictures from the Labor Day party, Patrick Whelan's hurricane presentation, and from previous SHBC events.

Dale Cuddeback won the 50/50 drawing and Jack Myers won the door prize.

The next meeting of the SHBC will be Wednesday November 2 at 6:30 at the Safety Harbor Library.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Anderson,
Secretary/Scribe