



THE SLOOP SCOOP

The Official Newsletter of the Fort Myers Sailing Club
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Commodore: Joe Martinez
Vice Commodore: Rick Lancaster
Treasurer: Jeri Schvenski
Secretary: Gail Wabeke
Cruise Director: Bruce Schvenski

Board of Directors for 2009

Walter
Arnie
Paul
Morgan

MEETING MINUTES

Vice Commodore's Report

So far we have had two race dates with lousy wind. Two races dates will require (3) races for make-ups. Numbers are tight. Joe and Rick are going over handicaps before the next meeting. We want to try and keep the boats in a fleet that has more competitiveness so the same boat isn't winning all the time. There's a lot to take into account and a lot of variables. Do we require minimum boats in a class? This is a question that came up talking about Mike racing the Sonair. Everyone agreed to let Mike come up with a proposal. A possible solution would be a new class for the next series.

Essence left the day after the meeting for Sarasota for the Sarasota Charity Yacht Regatta at the Sarasota Yacht Club for (1) big race on November 7th. A large air conditioning company sponsored Essence with all expenses paid. Come to the next meeting to HEAR ALL the details! FYI...just got word Essence took 2nd in their division.

Old Business

The club has talked of a Long term planning committee to decide how to spend some of our club savings. Walt was talking to Ross Webb at the Edison Races. What used to be owned by Schuckers is now owned by Lee County. Ross's comment was it might be available to

do a minimal lease with Parks and Recs like they do at the sailing center. We could rent out the slips and the

County would earn part of the profit. There is a lot more involved and other locations that the county owns. Board members: Walt, Paul, Morgan, and Arnie are the exploratory committee to spearhead up the project with Ross as the spokesperson. The Board will report at the December meeting.

The Calendar was removed from the Website because as the Commodore put it, we don't plan well enough to have a calendar. Teresa suggested is to have an "Upcoming Events" section instead. Brian also found a site where we can put our club pictures. Randy suggested forming a committee for the website. Joe suggested having a section in the newsletter called "Up Coming Events" (Thanks Joe, I've been trying to get people to participate ☺). So if we put it into the newsletter it will be on the website.

Halloween Party at Tweenwaters was hot and the costumes were not as good as they have been in the past.

New Business

Bobby was not at the meeting to discuss dockage at Paradise Marine.

Christmas Party planning is deferred to the next meeting. Morgan moved that we change the party name from Christmas to Winter Party. The Christmas Party has been turned over to the Cruising Director

We had (4) visitors at the last meeting Louis DeFrancesco, Anne Heim, Dennis and Mary Ann Breski, Dennis and Mary Anne are from Michigan and have sailed and raced up in the Great Lakes. Louis and Anne are now members. Anyone needing crew please give them a call. See attached roster.



NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2009 @ 7:30



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Cruise Directors Report/Up Coming Events

The Pegasus will be pulling out of the water on the 17th for a couple weeks or more. Thanks Giving weekend Arnie (and family) is going from Fort Myers on the inside of Key Wadin at Gordon Pass to Goodland.

They will be leaving the 25th and returning on the 29th. Contact Arnie.

Nominations for Change of Watch

Board Members:

Walter, Arnie, Paul, Morgan, Randy, Joe

Secretary:

Joanne

Treasure:

Jeri, Gail

Vice Commodore of Racing:

Paul, Rick, Mike

Commodore:

Paul, Walter, Harvey

Elections will be held at the December meeting.

Nominations will be accepted before voting. Make sure you have paid your 2010 membership dues.



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