



DYC Nautical News

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The meeting was called to order.

2018 Board Members

Flag Officers

Donna Bjurlin-*Commodore*
Doug Reid-*Past Commodore*
Bob Price-*Vice Commodore*
Carl Lis-*Rear Commodore*
Carl Waclawski-*Treasurer*
Carl Hamann -*Secretary*

Commitee Chairs

Alan Freville-*Facilities*
Jim Christy-*Social*
Rich Cowan-*Membership*
Scott Foley-*Education*
Tom Safford-*Race/Recreation*
John Tallett-*House*

Appointed

Carl Bjurlin-*Dock Master*
Larry Van Deusen-*Web Master*
Paul Nichter-*Newsletter*



Secretary:

The minutes from last years final meeting were approved. We have received feed back from our numerous guests this year, praising or facilities and hospitality. The local charities we donate to over the year, are very appreciative.

Treasurer:

The treasurer report was approved. We are going to try electronic notification for dues and slip fees. If you are interested, contact Carl and make sure he has the Email address you want him to send it to. The reason behind this is, he found the US Postal service was less than reliable.

Membership:

We had 9 people added as Probationary members: 4 prospective members were added to the waiting list and 6 asked to be removed. 2 people were moved to the bottom. There are currently 25 people on the waiting list. 5 members resigned

2 members moved to Inactive status:

7 members were promoted to Senior status:

Total membership is 143 and the breakdown is as follows:

- 39 Life members – 17 of whom have boats
- 80 Senior members - 70 of whom have boats
- 10 Probationary members – all of whom have boats
- 14 Inactive members

Education:

The sailing program will continue next year. It was suggested that the requirement be changed to 10 years of age instead of 12 to increase attendance. This a great program for introducing anyone into the joys of sailing. If you know of anyone interested in the program let them know. Special thanks to Judy Olson and Lou Deering for their participation in this program.

Web Master: 2018 Annual Report

THIS YEAR

- ! Updated Newsletter entries, calendar events and entries in member section.
 - ! Converted web site to Wordpress, a widely used platform to make succession simpler.
 - ! Incorporated the DYC events into the web site eliminating the need to use Google Calendar.
 - ! also allows event to be imported into user's calendar, and puts coming events onto most pages.
 - ! Set up emailing for members to send notifications and newsletters.
 - ! Set up email list for board members.
 - ! Created Nautical News Archive of newsletters going back to 2009
- COMING (if wanted)
- ! Set up board member only section similar to member section.
 - ! Set up Gallery section for member submitted pictures.
 - ! File upload in member section to upload pictures to be incorporated in Gallery.

The Commodore's Corner

What a year, what a commodore. THANK YOU Donna

Race/Recreation:

Special thanks to new member John Ludwig for crewing the race committee boat

Social:

This seasons social events were a great success.

Facilities:

The Bubbler is in place. The company installing the equipment has been very diligent in making sure we understand the equipment and that it is installed correctly. Storing of the equipment for the Summer months was discussed. The timing for installing and removing the system each season and the protocol to do it safely is yet to be determined. The units used for keeping the ice from under the Club House will be reinstalled this year. This equipment is costly, and only people with the proper training should operate it.

House:

Special thanks to Ken Kuwik, Dan Cassidy and Larry DeJonghe for taking the time to insure that the Ice Machine was functioning for the whole season

Dock Master:

86% of the member slips were occupied this year. We had an increase in guests this year to 58. They were very complimentary of our hospitality. We have had a lot of problems with the outboards on the work boats this year. Due to the infrequent use, the carburetors gummed up causing starting problems. There will be a procedure with written instructions put in place next season.

Did You Know...?

Congratulations to Marv Bjurlin who was promoted to Life membership. Congratulations Marv!

Be advised that there are currently no ladders in the water. If you venture onto the docks during the off season and you have a mishap it could have serious consequences. If you feel you have to walk the docks, DO NOT do so alone. There is a portable extension ladder inside the Club House that extends to 14 feet in case of an emergency.

One factor that came to light during the meeting, is that the finger piers are getting a lot of traffic during the install and uninstall of the bubbler. Typically when we close, the finger piers do not get used until Spring when we put our boats back in for the season. This brings up the question, how do we want to store our uprights and our ladders? On our finger pier we screwed the uprights to the pier, is this causing obstacles to the bubbler crews? Just asking.

What's Happening

The annual Empty Bowls charity event "Helping Feed the Hungry" by the Chautauqua area Potters is being held at the Clarion, in Dunkirk on December 1st at 11am until 2pm. You pick a hand made bowl, from a vast array of choices. Donations can range in price. The bowl is washed, filled with soup. When you are done eating, the bowl is washed and returned to you to take home. The warm feeling you get when you leave will be partially from the soup, but mostly from knowing your donation has helped someone in need.

Newsletter:

I want to extend a special thanks to the people who have helped in the publishing of the Nautical News. I have had compliments on the Newsletter, but without the support of these people it would not have been publication it is. Sylvia and Pat Bailey for all the local news. Nancy Steffan for making sure the printed copies were mailed out. Carl Bjurlin and Rich Cowan for their technical support. Joan Will for her donation of a laptop to the DYC for publishing the Newsletter. And a special thanks to my personal PITA who kept the content socially acceptable.

Next Board Meeting

Tuesday January 8th, 7pm

@ the Knights of Columbus Dunkirk, NY

Members welcome to attend