

Nautical News



The Newsletter of the Dunkirk Yacht Club

2016 Board Members

Flag Officers

Commodore:	Robyn Beardsley
Vice Commodore:	Doug Reid
Rear Commodore:	Nancy Steffan
Secretary:	Carlton Hamann
Treasurer:	Carl Waclawski
Past Commodore:	Ev Phillips

Committee Chairs

Membership:	Bill Wright
Education:	Donna Bjurlin
Facilities:	Brett Christy
House:	Carl Lis
Recreation & Race:	Kathy Fox
Social:	John Tallet
Dockmaster:	Carl Bjurlin
Newsletter:	Jen Christy
Webmaster:	Larry VanDeusen

The September DYC board meeting was held on September 13th with Commodore Robyn Beardsley presiding. In addition to the Board, many members were in attendance at the meeting.

Member in attendance, Dan Cassidy questioned how rules of the club are established and disseminated. Also questioned what decisions need to be voted on by the Board. Commodore Beardsley spoke in regards to guidelines being passed by a Board vote while By-laws voted on by membership.

The minutes of the August board meeting were reviewed and Brett Christy asked for clarification on an amended portion of the minutes. Following discussion, the amended minutes were accepted.

In membership news, an application for membership from Phillip Leone was received. He is sponsored by Bob Price and Paul Briggs and was accepted to be placed on the waiting list.

In facilities news, Brett reported that the fire extinguishers at the club have been serviced and inspected. The piling replacement continues and is going well. He commented that they continue to learn and make adjustments as they go. Jim Christy stated that increased stabilization is necessary on east and west walkways and would be addressed. Anyone interested in helping with the piling project and needing training please contact Brett or Jim Christy. The date for the club closing will be October 29th. See enclosed information for closing work party and for opportunities to help out and get work hours on additional weekends in October. Brett stated that ladders would need to be removed to avoid ice damage. Dan Cassidy suggested that the ladders



**Next DYC Board Meeting
Tuesday October 11th 2016 @ 7:00 p.m.
DYC Clubhouse**

could also be detached from the dock and loosely held in place with a line as an alternative to having the ladders totally removed and lying on the docks.

In Race and Recreation news, Kathy Fox was welcomed back after her absence due to illness. She was appreciative that the races continued and to those who helped out in her absence.

In Education news, Donna reported that the boat donated by the Berner's has been for sale on Craigs list and there was an offer for \$300.00. A motion was made to accept the offer and was approved.

In House news, Carl made a reminder to members that when using the facility to make sure that they clean up after themselves. There has been an occasion when he found the clubhouse left in quite a mess. Please be sure to be respectful of the facilities and clean up when needed.

Dockmaster Carl reported that members have started removing boats for the end of the season. The DEC expressed concern with having access to their boat in slip after club closing, combination lock will be in place longer to accommodate access. Working on getting conduit across park and walkway for upgrade of telephone and internet service. He discussed that Homeland security is seeking input regarding navigational feedback. He is requesting that they reestablish the buoy marking the entrance to the harbor. Any concerns regarding navigation should be directed to Carl.

Webmaster Larry VanDeusen commented that he will start posting finalized copies of Board meeting minutes on the club website.

Rear Commodore Nancy Steffan made a suggestion to require new members to spend some work hours on house and social to help familiarize them with the club. She also encouraged sponsors to be more involved in familiarizing new members with the club workings and work hours.

Vice Commodore Doug Reid presented nominees for officers – see included. He also made a reminder to members to make sure they have logged in the hours they have worked. There are currently several members with 0 hours logged.

Commodore Beardsley called for the Board to go into executive session to discuss a member issue, a motion to do so was made and approved. Members in attendance and those not on the Board were asked to leave the clubhouse to allow the Board to have a discussion.

When the meeting commenced following executive session it proceeded with old business. There was discussion regarding proposed bike rack. There will be one next year however continued discussion will occur at the October meeting regarding design and placement. A motion was made by Bill Wright to continue membership in Yachting Club of America and was approved.

In new business, Pat Bailey spoke on behalf of the Long Range Planning Committee requesting the Board to consider a demonstration project of "Bubblers" for ice damage mitigation. The proposal is to outfit a small portion around the clubhouse and entry dock for this winter to see how it works before investing to outfit for entire facility. Jack Gaasch explained how the "bubblers" work to provide movement in the water that allows lower, warmer water to move to the surface and help prevent icing. The Board approved up to \$2000 to cover the equipment costs to trial this demonstration project for this winter. Please visit the DYC member page on the website for more information regarding this.

From Facilities:

The end of the year is fast approaching.

First I would like to thank all of you for the hard work that you have put into the Club facilities this past year. Without you what we all have couldn't be possible.

With that said we still have a lot of additional work that needs to happen this year to help mitigate potential damage over the winter months. So, if you have some extra time or still need some additional hours we are planning three work closing dates to close up the club properly. Oct. 15th, 22nd., with the final Club Closing on Oct. 29th from 0800 – 1200.

Reminder, if possible remove your ladders from your finger pier and tie them off to the top of your dock to minimize ice damage.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Brett at 716-200-2685.

SLATE OF OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS - 2017	
Candidate	Term (Years)
Nancy Steffan	1
Carl Waclawski	1
Robyn Beardsley	1
Bill Wright	1
Brett Christy	1
Kathy Fox	1
Carl Hamann	2
John Tallett	2
Donna Bjurlin	2
Carl Lis	2
Doug Reid	2
Scott Foley	2

"As Boats are being readied for storage and the cool breezes blow... time to start thinking about Skiing!! All skiers at Holiday Valley are invited to contact me for information about ski pass options. We have a small organization called D&F Skiers that consists primarily of NYC members. Passes can be purchased directly through me for a \$10 discount prior to November 1st. Call me for more info: Carl Bjurlin [\(716\) 397-7530](tel:7163977530)."



The Labor Day Race had 5 boats

- 1st Doug Reid (with Christopher as crew)
 - 2nd Carl Bjurlin (Donna and Tina)
 - 3rd Mark Stoddard (with his daughters)
- Carl Waclawski and Hank & Julie Danielson also raced.



Annual Fall Banquet
Saturday, November 5, 2016
Shorewood Country Club
Hors d'oeuvres 6PM
Dinner/Awards 7PM

Music by DJ Hector Alverio during cocktail hour
And later for dancing

Entrees

Roast Prime Rib of Beef with Au Jus

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Grilled Salmon with Piccata Sauce and Capers

Entrees will be served with

Caesar Salad

Fresh Baked Rolls and Butter

Garlic Red Mashed Potatoes

Seasonal Vegetable

Apple Crisp with Fresh Whipped Cream

Coffee and Tea

(A wine selection will be available for purchase if you desire)

Dinner Cost \$35.00/per person

RSVP by October 30 with entrée choice(s) to Carol and Wally Gotowka
gotowka@roadrunner.com or 716-680-3668

