

Chebeague Island Yacht Club

Minutes - Closing Meeting, August 20th 2016

18 people in attendance:

Aaron Julien
Alexandra Swafford
Jay Corson & Karen Weiss Corson
Bob Halpin & Lisa Halpin
Michael & Barbara Porter
Liz Hubbell Riggs & Geoff Riggs
Rich Hubbell
Phil Tonks
Manny Morgan & Chris
Joan French
Lucas Phipps
Ted Curtis & Laurie Curtis

*there have been some 'discovered' CIYC items that were ordered years ago by Jane Frizzell. Feel free to contact Aaron Julien to see what there currently is (were totes, sweatshirts, ?).

Race Committee Chair: (Jay Corson)

A huge TY for all the work and thought put into making the races interesting and better attended, especially the Round Island Race. Jay was the Committee Boat and decked out with a large proud R/C Flag and a gorgeous cannon made the race festive and fun.

- Two races were held, the Round Island Race and the Ocean Race (7 miles around Hope) because of the low turnout for last year's Saturday races.
- Not enough reason to return currently to the previous every Saturday Race schedule.

- Jay invited the Etchells Fleet from Portland YC and surrounding areas to join our races, followed by a BBQ afterwards. Wonderful idea.

Race Results

Round Island Race:

- 1st: Rich Hubbell in *Fuzzy Logic*
- 2nd: Joe Seremouth in *Butter*
- 3d: Tim Caven/Phil Tonks in *Tuesday's Witch*
- 4th: Drew Schaefer in *Puck*
- 5th: Lunt/Cox-Chapman in *Biscuit*
- 6th: John Wilson in *Periplus*
- 7th: John Ash in *Sea Smoke*
- there were no small boats (Div.1)
- course was 10.5 miles, wind were generally 5-10 knots

Ocean Race:

- 1st:
- 2nd
- 3d :

Treasurer's Report (Bob Halpin)

Sailing School:

- please see attachment of print out for details
- ?seems like there is ~\$2K deficit in SS expenses this year?
- Cost to create an online SS registration-one time expense
- SS dropped Long Island program, which decreased revenue but also decreased payroll
- ?SS did NOT cover expenses, especially with \$10K donation?
- All SS instructors were US Sailing certified

Membership:

- 2016 numbers are down – unclear exactly why
- suggestions:
 - somehow increase the YC group dynamics...which is increasingly difficult given the Island wide increase in fundraisers and events.
 - Have a small boat only race to encourage the younger sailors as well as SS students and instructors.

Suggestions for SS:

- Increase in SS course fee to cover SS expenses
- Incentive to have them become members for SS enrollment, even if the membership fee is offset by the discount
- Getting students from Long Island or Cliff to take courses
- ? were we lacking students per instructor or sail boat?
- A small float for the boats to come up on regardless of tide (would be easier on the boats)
- Consider development of an 'Opti Fleet'.
 - Can be used with younger children (7-13 year olds)
 - Big championships use the Opti's
 - Can buy used ones
 - Opti's are sturdier and take more punishment than 420's

***Discussion of pros and cons of Opti's vs 420's....

General Affairs:

1. Aaron Julien is stepping out of the Commodore position, having completed the 2 year term, and requested nominations. Thank you for all you (and your entire family) have done for the Yacht Club.
2. Michael Porter was nominated and accepted the Commodore position, receiving a rousing and grateful round of applause.
3. Adrian, who was managing the SS has left for Europe for the year, and there is a scramble to see who can replace him, or split his responsibilities.
4. We still need some more members to help with running the club, Vice Commodore, Power Fleet, "Group Dynamics" position....

5. Could use ideas on getting members together and encouraging the boating community. Power events have been suggested by Cap. Leonard. Perhaps someone can help execute and communicate some of his wonderful and fun ideas?