

Gulfstream Sailing Club

General Meeting

April 13, 2004

Meeting called to order at 2025 hours by Commodore Junkin.

Past Commodores Present:

Dave Wallace, Barbara Reed, Bernie Gartner

Visitors:

Anita Garvey, Past Commodore of Hillsboro Inlet Sailing Club (HISC) and Hal Steward, Rear Commodore and Ocean Race Chair of HISC

Board Members Present:

Commodore Frank Junkin
Vice Commodore Bob Anglin
Treasurer Beth Jenkins
Secretary Beth Pollock

Board Member Tom Dwyer
Past Commodore Steve Dillon
Past Commodore/Board Member Dave Wallace

Motion to waive the reading of the March general meeting minutes. Motion seconded. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The club has approximately \$23,000 in the checking account and approximately \$57,000 in the Vanguard account. The Vanguard balance is variable and depends upon the market value of the club's investments. The Gulfstream Regatta did well this year and finished with a surplus. The club's first quarter financial statements are finished and are available from the treasurer.

Ship's Store: Bidding in progress for a silent auction. The items available include the three signed and numbered prints donated by PC Gastesi, a haulout at Summerfield boatyard, donated by PC Barbara Reed, and a free rigging inspection. Proceeds from the auction will be used to support the Youth Learn to Sail programs at Sailors' Point.

Guests: Vice Commodore Bob Anglin introduced our guests.

New Member Introductions: Membership co-chairs Sue Thompson and Nancy Marsh announced that the club membership now numbers 180. Club rosters have been mailed to the membership. Members are urged to notify the membership committee of errors. Several errors have been noted already and an addendum to the roster is available.

The membership committee also introduced several new members to the club: Tom & Ellen Stafford, France Miville, Jay Lasseter, Linda Rhyne, Mike Stocker, and Danielle Perry.

Hospice Regatta: PC Dave Wallace and PC Barbara Reed spoke on behalf of the Hospice Regatta. The final GSC/Hospice fundraiser of the year is scheduled for 1900 hours April 28 at Bahia Cabana. The Hospice Regatta is scheduled on May 22. Cruisers are encouraged to enter and are assured of a staggered start, guaranteeing that no blood will be drawn. The course is usually about 14 miles. With the entry fee, captains will receive one free ticket to the dinner. Additional tickets for crew are available for \$25 each. All proceeds go to Hospice. The Wes Holmes trophy is sponsored by GSC.

Hillsboro Regatta: Anita Garvey and Hal Steward of HISC invited Gulfstream members to enter the Buck Carlisle Memorial Regatta June 5 & 6. The event is a coastal race from Hillsboro to Fort Lauderdale with ARC and Cruising classes. Ratings are run on base PHRF. Since it is a pursuit race, the slower boats start first. The awards dinner—a casual barbecue and cash bar—will be held after the event at Pier 66. Tickets are \$25 per person. Entry forms will be included in Tiller Tales, at the May general meeting, and on the Hillsboro Web site. You can also call for information.

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Reggae Regatta: A race clinic—the Reggae Regatta—is scheduled for May 15 & 16. Day one will feature a race clinic with seminars/presentations on starts, flag sequence, rules, crew positions, responsibilities, trim, and tactics. The day will wrap up with a barbecue. Brochures and maps will be available in Tiller Tales and at the next general meeting. Day two will be a fun, simple regatta where racers can practice starts. A raft-up at Lake Sylvia will follow. For more information, contact Alan Hale, Lucy Huff, Steve Dublin, Sue Thompson, or Margie Bornstein.

Ocean Race Committee: Nine boats started the second coastal race; six boats finished. Everyone is encouraged to enter the Hospice Regatta, the Reggae Regatta, and the next ocean race on April 24.

Cruising Committee: Thanks to everyone who came to the Saint Patrick's Day raft-up. The next event will be May 29, 30, and 31—Memorial Day weekend—at Palm Harbor Marina in West Palm Beach. Notify Lee Skinner, the Cruising Committee Chair, if you plan to attend.

Club History: A new book, featuring the club's history from 1957 – 1966, is available for viewing at general meetings. Future issues of Tiller Tales will include club history highlights.

Gulfstream Regatta: Regatta co-chair Becky Castellano announced that the regatta went very well, despite some rough weather on day one. The party went very well and the event turned out very nicely, yielding a \$4000 profit as well. Volunteers are needed for next year's regatta. Please contact Ms. Castellano for more information if you would like to help.

Fort Lauderdale Sailing Foundation: Larry Littell, from the Fort Lauderdale Sailing Foundation, talked about the foundation's sponsorship of the plywood regatta. MIA SF is sponsoring this year's event, to be held on May 15 and 16. For those unfamiliar with the event, the plywood regatta is a competition with school-sponsored teams that design and build boats. Adults teach the kids to use tools and build boats. The foundation is sponsoring two teams this year and they need volunteers to spend the weekend coaching the students. Contact Larry Littell if you would like to help.

The Fort Lauderdale Sailing Foundation is a sponsor of the Lake's Youth Learn to Sail program. They will provide funds for sponsorship and will hold a fundraiser later this year. Contact Larry Littell if you are interested in helping with the fundraising.

Meeting adjourned at 2120 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elizabeth L. Pollock, Secretary