

GSC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2021

The April 2021 general meeting of Gulfstream Sailing Club was held online via Zoom on April 20, 2021.

Present: BOARD: Eric Kobrin, *Commodore*; Linda Gossett, *Vice Commodore*; Phil Decker, *Past Commodore*; Ben Bowen, *Treasurer*; Kay Harrison, *Secretary*; Paul Hinden, Mary Brown and Bob Schudy, *Directors*; and Luis Oliveira, *Lake Operations Director*.

PAST COMMODORES: Phil Decker, Ben Bowen, Gregg Henry, Jay Wood, Luis Oliveira.

ALSO PRESENT: Sam Walker, John and Carol Lucas, Daniel Shpigel, Doug Brown, Aaron Leatherwood, and Mari Guarda.

Commodore's Comments

- Called to order at 7:05pm by striking the "gavel" against the "sound block."
- Eric expressed his pleasure at seeing people in person at the last happy hour, and looks forward to upcoming in-person events, including sailing. It's time to start getting together again, not behind our cameras. Now that over 50% of adults have been vaccinated, we can feel safe at events.

Science Committee – Bob Schudy

- Wear a mask when you can; over the ear masks are convenient - you can pop an ear off to drink a beer (sounds painful). Bob says vaccinated people are less likely to transmit the disease to unvaccinated people, and that vaccinations prevent serious disease, even given that variants are common. He says [fully vaccinated people should feel free to mingle, and have fun, while still taking appropriate precautions.](#)

Guests – New members Daniel Shpigel and Aaron Leatherwood were present.

Secretary's Report – Kay Harrison

- Minutes of the March member meeting and the April board meeting are posted on the website. Reading of the minutes was waived; motion by Bob and seconded by Phil.

Treasurer's Report – Ben Bowen

General Account	\$ 7,420.63
Sailor's Point Lake Account	\$ 14,756.14

- The club's income taxes for the year 2020 are in progress.
- 2018 IRS audit is still in limbo.
- The Bank of America error in the Lake account is still showing \$18,000 more than we actually have.

Membership Report – Ben Bowen

- 47 active member families
- 30 members have not renewed from 2020.

Social Event: Return of the Dinghy Run! Phil Decker went over details. On Saturday, May 8, meet at Riverland Woods Park Boat ramp and dinghy to My Big Fat Greek Restaurant for lunch. Non-boaters can meet at the restaurant at 1 pm. Contact Phil for reservations and boat assignments: 603-534-3428.

Ocean Races: Dave Notman needs information on what boats are ready to race.

Key Lime Sailing Club: An outing is planned for late July to rent cottages and sailboats at this resort in Key Largo. The cost is \$175-\$200 per night per cottage, including a small sailboat. Eric shared a chart from the free software, opencpn.org. Discussion followed about avoiding shallow areas if members decide to come in their own boats. The boats provided by the resort are similar to Catalina 22s.

Social – Mary Brown

- Happy hour was in-person on Apr. 13, attended by seven people. It will be there again on the 27th. A small flag or burgee was suggested for marking the table so people can find us.
- This weekend is the Beach Bash, 11-4 Saturday at Mizell-Eula Johnson State Park. Mary thanked Brenda for her artwork on the poster. The weather is looking good, and Mary encouraged everyone to pass the word that this is going on.

Lake Report: Luis Oliveira

- Sunfish Spring Series I (small boat race) was held on April 3. Results: 3rd place was Bob Weinstein with 10 pts.; 2nd place was Alex Sellar with 10 pts.; and 1st place was Luis Oliveira with 4 pts. Spring Series II will be April 24.
- March 20-21, five boats traveled to Miami to take part in Miami Sailing Week. GSC Group did quite well. Results:
 - 8th place with 41 pts. was Enrique Soto
 - 6th place with 34 pts. was Jack Loving
 - 3rd place with 21 pts. was Bob Weinstein
 - 2nd place with 19 pts. was Rui Claudio
 - 1st place with 13 pts. was Luis Oliveira
- Kids Learn to Sail Sunday series ends on June 6, and has ten kids in the class.
- Adult Learn to Sail: 5 people completed the course on Apr. 17-18. Another class is planned for May 22-23, but no registrations have been received yet.
- 420 fleet will probably be sold, since they are not being used and many need repair.

Unfinished business: None

New Business:

- A bulk digital subscription is being offered to *Practical Sailor* for \$15 per member to be paid by the club. It could be an option on memberships. More details will be forthcoming from Eric, including minimum numbers.

Bob motioned to adjourn, and Luis seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Kay D. Harrison, GSC Secretary