

Gulfstream Sailing Club December General Membership Meeting

The December 2011 General Membership Meeting of Gulfstream Sailing Club was held on December 13th at the Downtowner. Board members present: John Gehrig, Commodore; Lee Williams, Vice Commodore; Janis Walkow, Secretary; Helen Swinghammer, Treasurer. Larry Littell and JoAnne Salvador, Board Members. Committee Chairs in attendance: Betty Lou Webb, Membership ; Gregg Henry, Cruising; Luis Oliveira , Small Boat Committee. Absent were: Adeel Arshed, Rear-Commodore; Doris White, Board member. Past Commodores Astrid Hunton, Ross Hunton, Chris Woolsey, Jay Wood, Dave Wallace, Bernie Gartner, and Bob Anglin.

John Gehrig called the meeting to order at 8PM.

MSV to waive reading the minutes from the last meeting.

Guests: Wolfgang and Annerose Pozsicsanyi, new to Fort Lauderdale. Came from Brazil, they are German. They have purchased a 49' Hunter, recently had a lightning strike.

Treasurer's Report: Helen reported for the period November 1 through December 13, 2011. There is \$12,404.57 in the Sailor's Point checking account. There is \$8,666.02 in the checking account. There is \$83,729.06 in Vanguard account.

Membership: Betty Lou had new member packages for: David & Peggy Notmaxi, David & Theresa Kresge and Alexander & Kristi-Leigh Brown. None were present.

John reported we had a good event at the West Marine opening. We had a fantastic location, inside right on the way to the presentations. John thanked everyone who helped man the booth.

Lake Report

Sunfish: Had 2 races since last meeting. November 12th 7 boats (4) A, (3) B, (0) C. Dec 3rd 7 boats (2) A, (5) B. Next race is Jan 7.

Kids LTS: Session 6 Level I Started Sunday 11/6, end Dec 11 with 4 Kids, and 2 helpers. Next session (Winter 1-Level 1) Jan 15, registration Jan 7.

Adult LTS: Last 2 adult learn to sail have been cancelled due to lack of participation. Next class is Jan 14, 15th. Registration Jan 7.

Optimist racing: They had 2 races both cancelled due to rough weather. Kids still went out on Sunfishes w/adults.

November 19th Big Boat Little Boat at the Lake. Fun sailing, not good for racing, and great cook-out.

Next summer planning 420 beer cans on Wed. with Bar B Q after.

John pointed out that we have put 130 kids and 35 adults through learn to sail this year. Opti races, Sunfish races all managed by Luis.

Social: John reported:

Halloween Party October 29th at Linda and Al's was great. John again thanked Linda and Al for their hospitality.

Tues Night meet and greet resumes at the Rendezvous. 1/2 price drinks until 7PM.

Change of Command - January 21st. Hold the date. Planning to have a Commodores' procession. Invitations, and e-mails coming along. The venue is Coral Ridge Yacht Club.

Ocean Race:

Lee presented the Boatathalon award to Gregg Henry and Sam Walker.

GSC Regatta was a success 13 registrants, 11 participated. Results: PHRF 3rd Wind Pirate, 2nd Bandana, 1st Third Try; ARC 3rd Magic, 2nd Grand Cru, 1st Commotion; Gunk hole 3rd In Sync; 2nd Siempre Amante; 1st Unicorn .

Commodore's Cup - December 17th at 11Am Ross requested an 11:30 start due to tides. After race party at Gehrig's at 5PM. Janis announced a signup sheet for the party, to get a handle on attendees and bring a dish. Lee also led a cheer for Barbara Gehrig's recovery, and sent a video home with John.

Cruising: Gregg reported:

Dinghy run January 14th, need volunteers to help organize.

Lake Sylvia Raft up - January 29th. Skippers to get non boat owners out for fun, possibly a leisurely sail prior to raft up. Again volunteers needed to help organize.

Unfinished Business: June 29th to July 7th regatta time in Abacos, John has brochures. John also announced we have a new club brochure, and thanked Janis & Franz for a professional looking brochure.

2012 GSC Calendar will be posted prior to year end. Adele used input from the Survey plus input from the Flag and Lake to prepare next year's calendar. Please look at the events and provide feedback to any member of the flag or Board.

New Business:

Ships Store: New shirts are available, t-shirts, drink holders, lunch boxes, burgees, and next month license frames.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm. Cookies and camaraderie were enjoyed by all.

Respectfully submitted, Janis Walkow, Secretary