

The January 2010 General Meeting of Gulfstream Sailing Club was held on January 12th at the Downtowner. Board members present: Astrid Hunton, commodore, David Vannais, rear commodore, Linda Gossett, treasurer, Bernie Gartner, Bill Bradley and Doris White. Janis Walkow secretary elect was sitting in for Sue Rineer Secretary.

Past commodores in attendance: Ross Hunton, Roman Gastesi, Frank Junkin

MSV to waive reading the minutes from the last meeting.

Treasurer's Report: \$ 4555.00 in the checking account. \$75,352.00 in the Vanguard account. The outstanding bills are the Monthly charges for the storage unit. The Insurance is due. All tax issues have been cleared up and last years taxes were filed.

Guests:

Chris Bare chris@bareflix.com 954-763-6232

Chris just completed the BCC sailing course and is looking to get more experience.

Stephen Hill sea_chaser2005@yahoo.com 617-620-9496

Stephen has a 44 sailboat, HOPE, and is interested in kicking butt on the race course.

Chris Ericksen cericksen7@gmail.com 407-535-9848

Just moved back. 10 years ago sailed with Ross.

Mike Mullen dr-mike@comcast.net 954-525-3256

Neighbor of a member. Looking to join up. He has a boat in back yard. Catalina 309.

Hugues and Dany Lenssen hugues1011@hotmail.com 954-540-8014

From Belgium. Want to meet sailors. Purchased a boat 3 months ago, an Endeavor 40.

Raleigh Susstain Raleigh@emed.srcsources.com 954-462-5846

Join this evening. Has been to another meeting in November.

Ian and Sharon Joyce are just visiting. Traveling the waterways headed for Bahamas. "Celtic Cross" a Catalina 320.

Couple of visitors from Germany, Michael and Ushi who do not speak English. Were hoping to sail with their hosts but the weather did not cooperate.

Lake Report:

Sunfish

Commodore's cup was held Dec 12. There were 7 boats. Results:

A fleet – 3rd Nuno Pinho, 2nd Tony Elliot, 1st Luis Oliveira

C fleet – 2nd Gardner Sanborn, 1st Matthew Sears

Attempted to race Saturday Jan 9, too cold.

Next race is Jan 30th

Kids learn to sail

One class finishes up Jan 18th

Next class starts Jan 24th

Classes are scheduled for Sundays, as there are fewer conflicts with school activities.

Adult learn to sail

Working on schedule

Lake Programs for 2010

Perfect conditions to teach sailing

Lake can be a source of new members

Would like to improve Kid LTS

Start after school program

Eventually start a 420 fleet

Luis really needs volunteers. Volunteers will be given a specific task. The lake has funds and sources for funds.

Social:

Friday January 22, 2010 will be the 53rd annual Change of Command at Lighthouse Point Yacht Club. RSVPs are due on January 18th.

Robin is stepping down as Head of Social; she intends to remain active and is looking for a replacement.

February 13th raft up after the couple's race. Probably at Lake Sylvia.

Membership:

New members Dennis Zimmerman and Simone Spence were welcomed.

Dennis is from Wisconsin and Simone is from Jamaica. They sailed with Montego bay Yacht Club for 20 years.

Additional new members were not present.

Ocean Race:

Successful Commodore's Cup, Dec 19th. 7 boats, 1 crash jibe by Commodore. No accidents, a perfect day.

Results:

Race 1 – Commotion, Empty Nest, Polaris, Wind Pirate, Puff, Cabo Frio, In Sync

Race 2 – Commotion, Polaris, Wind Pirate, Empty Nest, Puff, Cabo Frio, In Sync

Overall – Commotion, Polaris, Empty Nest, Wind Pirate, Puff, Cabo Frio, In Sync

Great Party at Dan and Tracy Whelan's.

Couples race on Feb 13th. Come out and race your boat as a couple. Others may tag along, but only two may actually race the boat.

Planning a 5 race series over the year. Race dates are on the calendar. There will be a fee for the series to pay for mark boat fuel and trophies. We will get detail out in the next month. The first of these races is scheduled for April 11th.

Fort Lauderdale to Key West race is Jan 13th. Quite a few club members are participating. Four club boats are racing: Bandana, Full Deck, Wind Pirate, and Jasmine. Blogs are set up on Keywestrace.com.

Cruising:

No events scheduled. The cruising chair position is open. Astrid is looking for individuals who would like to chair the position or to take on an event or 2.

We are going to have open sail events in an effort to get new members and non boat owner members out sailing. John Shaffer and Nancy Marsh are chairing this project and will be presenting more info next month.

New Business:

Astrid thanked Dave Vannais, rear commodore for his assistance and support during the past year.

Astrid also thanked Bill Bradley, retiring board member, for his support over the past year. Bill has also stepped up to the position of Sergeant of Arms for 2010.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45

Respectfully submitted, Janis Walkow for Sue Rineer Secretary