

**Safety Harbor Boat Club Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2011**

Officers Present: Von Taylor, Commodore; Ron Poirson, Vice Commodore; Marty Horowitz, Treasurer; and, Cindy Anderson, Secretary

Von Taylor called the meeting to order at 18:34 with 15 members, plus officers, present.

Hank Epstein did a photo presentation on the Phillipines.

Commodore Report:

Von reminded us to use our new badges at events such as our monthly meeting, and then return them to the case when we leave for future use.

Von reminded everyone that the website is updated regularly and to use it for the most up-to-date information on activities and it provides a wealth of useful information available on it. Also Mike has been posting the pictures from various events and can be seen there.

Von thanked everyone that sailed in the Commodore's Cup as well as assisted with the Octoberfest picnic that followed (setup, decorating, food and beer coordinating, etc). Special thanks was made to Mike Mentz for doing the cooking. Race results were: 1st place Jack Myers on Jewel, 2nd place Steve Doherty on Amelia and 3rd place Mike Denny on Puff.

Final reminder to the members to email me (Cindy) to nominate a club member for extra contribution/effort to the club and/or Safety Harbor community. The recognition award will be given at the Annual Holiday party on December 11th at the Rusty Pelican.

It's time to make food selections and pay for attending the Holiday party. The cost is \$20 per member if paid by December 1, else increases to \$25.00 per member after December 1st. Non-members/guests will be \$45.00 each, of which \$25.00 will go for their membership. We need to confirm the count by December 1st with The Rusty Pelican and once again the club will subsidize the cost of the meals. Frank Fitzhenry is the coordinator again this year for the Toys for Tots program so please, if you're going to contribute, please bring them no later than the Holiday party so that they can be delivered so they can be distributed to needy families.

Von also reminded members that 2012 club dues are coming due. Initiation and annual dues will be the amount of \$25.00 per family/boat and this is a good time to get that done as well.

There are a bunch of books and VHS tapes that we need to get rid of. They are available here for a suggested \$1 donation per item and the money collected will go to Toys for Tots.

Vice Commodore Report:

Ron thanked everyone for their participation in the Commodore's Cup and after party/Octoberfest which also drew additional club members. A fun time was had by all, the food excellent, and the Dunedin Brewery so generously donated 2 delicious kegs for our enjoyment.

Upcoming events for the club include:

- With Sunday 11/6 at 2am being the start of Daylight Savings, the Wednesday night races are now over.
- 11/5 will be a Saturday race at 2:30pm. Please note the Safety Harbor Wine Fest is also occurring so parking/traffic may be a little tougher than usual.
- With the Thanksgiving and Christmas/New Years holidays upcoming, and thus lots of events for everyone, we will not be doing Saturday races till January.
- 11/18-20 is Regatta Point Fall Boat Show in Palmetto.
- 12/1-4 is the St Petersburg Boat Show.
- 12/3 is the rescheduled Dunedin Brewery tour date, 4pm, with a cost of \$5 which includes a mug and beer tasting. Dunedin's Boat Parade is also that night so we could easily go watch it after the tour.
- 12/7 is our next SHBC meeting
- 12/11 is our SHBC Annual Holiday Party
- 12/17 is the Safety Harbor Boat Parade.
- After the new Year, on 1/21 is the Good Olde Boat Regatta, which Bob and Jackie Meyer will talk about at our December meeting.

Secretary Report:

Cindy distributed via email prior to and hard copies were available at the meeting for October's minutes. These were accepted and seconded.

Treasurer's Report:

Marty reported on the financials of the club for October. Income was \$304 (from dues, 50/50 and Holiday Party attendees) and expenses were \$99.38. The bank balance is \$1642.94. These were accepted and seconded.

Discussion:

Frank Fitzhenry discussed the 2011 Toys for Tots Program and that we're accepting donations of new, unwrapped toys now thru early December with last opportunity to contribute being the upcoming Holiday Party on 12/11.

The nominations for the 2012 SHBC officers are: Von for Commodore, Jack Myer for Vice Commodore, Frank Fitzhenry or Treasurer, and Cindy for Secretary. The nominations of the officers was approved and seconded.

The upcoming Safety Harbor Holiday Parade we usually decorate a boat on a trailer, hang our burgee as well as our SHBC banner, and then throw candy and/or beads from the boat. It was agreed that we'd do that as it provides some advertising for our club.

Pictures from the Oktoberfest and Commodore's Cup are up on the website.

Club apparel, hats and burgees are available for purchase.

Patrick Whelan suggested \$50 be given to Von for gas and the use of his pontoon boat, which has been used several times now. It was agreed.

After the 1st of the year we will probably do some pontoon boat training for possible backup/assists should it be needed. It was noted that pontoon boats "pop" up and down in the water and maneuver differently so it would be a good idea for us to be prepared.

Von showed a slide presentation of the pictures from the Oktoberfest, which was accompanied by music --- nice job!

The 50/50 drawing was won by Cindy (\$13) and Sandy Barry won the door prize (a waterproof, floating flashlight).

The next meeting of the SHBC will be Wednesday December 7 at 6:30 at the Safety Harbor Library.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Anderson,
Secretary/Scribe