

**MINUTES
BERGEN SEAS
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
MARCH 30, 2011**

Meeting called to order by Commodore Ed Marcus at 7:30pm. Members present: 17.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

Treasurer, Bruce Terrin:

- \$[REDACTED] in checking account. Expenses over past month include \$328 for National dues, \$510 for Greenwood Lake site, and \$250 for the NYC MeetUp room.

Education: Onno Stofberg

- MeetUp classes added to schedule for May 4, 11, 13 & 18. Instructors lined up are Jeff Levy, Bill Traina, and Mike Maurer. Will share water sessions with other classes.
- Instructors are scheduled for all except JCC.
- Presently there are 17 SEAS instructors.
- Daily water assistants will be needed for the two weeks at Harriman State Park in August. All permits have been secured. Boats will be left for two weeks at the camp. There will be an open house for parents May 15 – 22. Ed Marcus will look into some type of ID for SEAS members; name tags, shirts, etc.
- John Burkart has all registrations for boats/trailers. Copies will be on board with originals in first aid box. Maintenance day for small boats is May 7.

Membership: It was suggested that the email address list be checked for omissions. Mark Tyler, for one, is not receiving email blasts.

General Publicity:

- Ed Marcus did a press release and has website info. Doug Ehrlich will follow thru.

Keelboat, John Burkart:

- Zephyr is in good condition after the rough winter. Minor maintenance will be done one or two days in April before launch around April 29.
- Date of spring picnic to be decided.

Old Business:

- Matt Jacobs has updated the website and is working on photos. Jessa Kilgore will set up Acteva to handle payments for classes, etc. Jessa also suggested we get a barcode to imprint on our publicity handouts so that people with smartphones can scan to access our website.
- First Aid course cancelled because Ridgewood ARC being used for flood relief by Fairfield. Reschedule for a week night??

New Business:

- Diane Kolins asked for volunteers for Clearwater this year on June 18 – 19.
- Mark Tyler offered to donate a Zodiac 15.5' Mark III with 25hp motor for possible use as a chase boat. Needs work.
- Some members of Lori Baumann's kayak club may be interested in SEAS. A discount rate will be offered and it could be a separate class if a sufficient number enroll. Also Doug Ehrlich made an offer of a sail on Zephyr.
- Two visitors were introduced: Rich Tylenda (friend of John O'Blenis) and Mark Belanich (friend of Mark Tyler).

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Later each member present spoke for a few minutes about their first boating experience. Some were funny, some nostalgic.

Respectfully submitted by Pat Sisti for Maxine House, Secretary