

SEASWORTHY

February 9, 2006

*A Newsletter for the Bergen Chapter of
The Society for the Education of American Sailors*

(Membership Application is available at
http://www.sailseas.com/bergen/PDF_Docs/seas%20member%20form1.pdf

Calendar of Events:

General Meeting: February 22, 2006, American Red Cross Building, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood, NJ 07450, 7:30 pm.

Annual Meeting: February 19, 2006, Fairfield Red Cross, 10 a.m.

Keelboat Meeting: Next meeting March 14, 2006, Pat Sisti's, 7 pm

FRIENDLY REMINDER – Time to think about renewing your 2006 SEAS/Bergen dues. Extra donations to the Ranger Fund are always welcome.

A membership form is available via the web site per the above-noted link; it's also included on the last page of this issue.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – January 25, 2006

Submitted by Joanna Roth

Meeting called to Order by Commodore Dave Stern at 7:40 p.m. 21 Members present. There were no Minutes for month of December 2005.

TREASURER REPORT: Elsie Marangi - There is \$ in Treasury: \$ in CD, Cruising Fund \$, Keel Boat \$ with \$ earmarked for new boat. Total Fund \$ There are 7 paid members (with membership dues due by the end of the month).

EDUCATION: Matt Jacobs -

Asked if anyone is interested in instructors' training.

Instructors' meeting - 3-1-06 at Matt Jacobs' house at 7-7:30 p.m.

CPR classes on 3-26-06

Dinghy Maintenance Day 5-20-06

Basic Sailing Classes at Glen Rock HS

June 6, 8, 13, 15 - water days June 10, 17

July 11, 13, 18, 20 - water days July 15 and July 22

August classes start second week of August.

There is one student signed up for the June 2006 class

Tentative dates for keelboat classes set for June 10, 17, 24 and July 8, 15, 22.

MEMBERSHIP: Louise Hauser - No new members. Jane Clarke has re-joined SEAS.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING, SEAS Bergen – January 25, 2006 (continued):

MAINTENANCE: No report.

KEELBOAT: No meeting in December 2005. Next meeting is March 14, 2006.

NATIONAL:

Betty Keller is Bergen's cruising director. She is getting information about Meerwald Cruise which will be run by Bergen & Monmouth. Carl, from Monmouth, is National Cruising Chairperson. Carl suggested that each chapter should have at least one cruise each year. He gave a talk on how to organize a cruise. Joan Neville Venezia is his assistant and she spoke about Bergen's cruising policy, as well as the next four cruises, i.e. Lake Ontario July 20-24, 2006; Labor Day Cruise run by Yuri; Columbus Day Cruising Course and New Zealand Cruise in January 2007.

Larry Wasserman is looking for a location for GPS/Celestial course for GPS users. He will get in touch with Maxine House and John Mazza for locations.

National is helping the Morris chapter.

Bergen is sponsoring Annual Meeting for February 19, 2006 at Fairfield Red Cross, 10AM. Check list was discussed and people volunteered to assigned tasks

BUDGET:

Approved by Executive Board 1-8-06 and passed at General Meeting of 1-25-06.

PUBLICITY:

Jane Clarke is new publicity person.

NEW BUSINESS:

Matt Jacobs announced that the Website was revamped with changes of 23 pages.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05p.m. . Next Meeting February 22, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.

Daffy Definition for the month

Submitted by Betty

Yacht: Any recreational craft whose owner or user is not responsible for her upkeep, or whose owner recognizes sufficient tax benefits from his ownership to defray all operating expenses. Also used to describe any boat prior to its purchase, and many boat owners to describe their vessel to persons who have never seen it and are never likely to do so.

Note from the Editor:

The submission deadline for our next issue will be Monday, March 6. Anyone may submit articles by e-mail to obiesail@optonline.net.

Bergen Officers and National Representatives:

Commodore – Dave Stern
Vice Commodore – Matt Jacobs
Secretary – Joanna Roth
Treasurer – Elsie Marangi
Past Commodore – Walt Tuers
Trustees: Louise Hauser, Jeff Levy, and Maxine House
National Representatives - Betty Keller, Pat Sisti, Maxine House, and Helen Tuers

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NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME TEL _____ WORK TEL _____ EMAIL _____

NEW MEMBER: What are your skills and training?

BASIC _____ ADVANCED _____ NAVIGATION _____ OTHER _____

How did you hear about SEAS? _____

What are your expectations as a club member? _____

SEAS is a 100%, nonprofit organization with the mission of bringing low cost, high quality, safe sailing to the public. Each new and renewing member is required to contribute time in the organization by serving in one or more areas. Please check the area(s) in which you are planning to serve.

_____ GENERAL EDUCATION _____ MAINTENANCE _____ MEMBERSHIP _____ PUBLICITY
_____ PHONE SQUAD _____ ADMINISTRATIVE _____ SOCIAL _____ OTHER _____

RELEASE: I, being over 18 years old and voluntarily participating in sailing activities and/or courses, realize and accept that this sport has some inherent potential dangers and do hereby release and hold harmless the Society for the Education of American Sailors, Inc., its parent, sister corporations, and subsidiaries and each of its members, instructors, aides or any individual, corporation, or government agency whose facilities or equipment are used in the conduct of SEAS activities, from liability to me, my heirs, and assigns, or any injury or damage caused by any action or omission including negligence on the part of the aforementioned.

Signature Date

Be it resolved that SEAS BERGEN Chapter is an equal opportunity organization with regard to students and members. It does not discriminate against applicants and students on the basis of race, color or national origin.

DUES:

Regular Membership* \$35. _____ *Members who join after Sept. 1 do not pay again in January

Optional HI SEAS donation \$15. _____ **Renewals received after March 1 will be returned unless they include a late fee.

Late fee** \$10. _____ include a \$10. Late fee (\$45 total). There are no exceptions to this rule.

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____

MEETINGS: THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE Bergen Chapter of SEAS is held on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Ridgewood Red Cross, 74 Godwin Avenue, Ridgewood NJ.

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