

Fairhope Yacht Club
General Membership Meeting
January 9, 2019

Officers present: Commodore Chris Dabney, Vice Commodore Scott Hartwell, Rear Commodore Philip Durant, Fleet Captain Mark McCullins, Fleet Surgeon Dr. Robbie Rux, Secretary Joe McIntosh.

Absent:

Others: Treasurer Carolyn Roberson.

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Chris Dabney at 7:30 pm. A quorum was present.

Memorials: A moment of silence was observed for the passing of William Joseph Godard and Daniel Alexander Benton.

Minutes: Minutes from the previous meeting were unavailable as the club website page containing such was undergoing maintenance.

Guests/New Associates:

Commodore's Report: Chris Dabney

The following reports were heard:

- Board of Governors: Randy Fitz-Wainwright reported that Kevin Northrop has been elected as chair, that a bid had been accepted to repair the hoist on the large boat crane, and that a plan for a maintenance dredging of the fly creek channel was under consideration should the dredging project with the city of Fairhope delay too long.
- Fleet Surgeon - Robbie Rux - spoke about the risk of entering Mobile bay when the published bacterial count was excessive. Robbie also cautioned that everyone who works near or enters the Bay should keep their tetanus shot current.
- Treasure's report: Carolyn Roberson
Carolyn gave the financial report for the month ending November 2018. Carolyn noted that club was in relative good shape, although with less operating cash on hand than at this time last year. Some additional funds were added to the Capital Reserve account.
Sales in the restaurant were above budget but costs continue to be higher than budgeted. Sales in the lounge were flat, although meeting budget.
- Restaurant Manager: Jacob Merritt
The club restaurant and lounge saw good attendance by the members during the holidays. The GYA winter meeting would be held at the club on the weekend of the January 12th and 13th.
A large crowd is expected and there will be limited seating in the dining room during the dinner hour. Also, during the past holiday downtime, a good bit of cleaning had taken place in the kitchen with some tile repair work as well.

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Vice Commodore Scott Hartwell

-Insurance and Safety - Dave Barr

The insurance committee is working with the clubs insurance carriers and underwriters to produce an updated policy for 2019. Dave also asked the members to be safety aware and let his committee know of any unsafe conditions around the club.

-Harbor Committee - Scott Laughlin-

Scott gave the following report:

- The new harbor committee had a meeting in December and assigned the following duties to the members:
 - i. Committee Chairman and Marina Maintenance —John Adams
 - ii. Wet Slip Managers — Scott Laughlin and Don Faircloth
 - iii. Dry Slip Management —John Buziak
 - iv. Channel Dredging — Ellis Ollinger
- Channel Dredging Update — the plan is to perform a maintenance dredging project that will be 20' wide and 8' deep with an emphasis on removing the high spots.
- The Large Lift is out of service — a new trolley has been ordered and we plan to have the lift back in-service the first of February.
- Pier wood replacement — this work is on-going. Upcoming work includes rebuilding A & B piers, and repairing the wave brakes on B & C piers.
- Slip Assignment update:
 - i. The dry slips are 100% occupied with a waiting list.
 - ii. The wet slips have about a dozen openings for small boats (20-25')
 - iii. There is a waiting list for large boats with 14' beams (too large to fit in slips)

-Juniors Report - Holly Murray -

Dates have been set for the 2019 sailing camp, they are:

Session 1 - June 3-14

Session 2 - June 17-June 28

Session 3 - July 8 -July 19

Session 4 - July 22-August 2

Please see the Mainsheet for more information.

-Associates - Barbara Brown -no report.

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-Entertainment - Angel Overton -

A number of activities are up-coming, including a movie night, the Junior Commodore's ball, Bingo night, porch socials (weather permitting), and the chili cook-off.

Please see the calendar of events in the Mainsheet.

-Mainsheet- Nancy Fitzpatrick - mainsheets are completed and available. Additional pictures of events at the club are available in the electronic version of the mainsheet on the club website. Contributors were asked to get their submissions in early.

-Auxiliary - CY Fitzpatrick -

Mark your calendars for the Chili Bowl Regatta. Racing on Sunday January 13, 30, and 27 with the Chili Cook Off featuring the best FYC cooks on January 27.

- Building and Grounds - Chad Smith.

Chad reported that there was plenty to do around the club and work should start as soon as the weather improves.

- Membership Committee - no report. Please see the Mainsheet.

Rear Commodore Philip Durant

- Race and Regatta Report: No major report, getting ready for the coming season.

- Sunday Fun races: John Helmstadter, looking to set the coming schedule after the GYA winter meeting.

Fleet Captain Mark McCullins

Mark reported that the 2019 Cap De'Ville races would be starting soon and the club was looking for a few good sailors to participate. There would be a January 15th kick off meeting to help organize the season. The club will be looking for sailors and boats.

Old Business:

A motion was made to accept the changes to the club by-laws, posted last month, regarding the privileges of club members' children who have not yet reached the age of 24.

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This change was sponsored by the BOG and is addresses ARTICLE VI:

ARTICLE VI - VISITORS

Section 1. Members shall, at all times, be held strictly accountable for the conduct or actions of their guests.

Section 2. A member may introduce a non-resident and extend the courtesies of the Club for a period of thirty days upon registering the guest's name, with the endorsement of the Club Member, on the guest card.

Section 3. Visitors shall be extended the courtesies of the Club when accompanied by a Club Member in good standing.

Section 4. Courtesies of the Club shall be extended to the members of the family and household of a Club Member, except to adults, other than spouses, who are of an age for membership in the Club.

Proposed Change as follows:

Section 4. Courtesies of the Club shall be extended to the Club member's spouse and to his/her children who are under the age of 21. Courtesies will extend to children 21 and older who is a full time student, until their 24th birthday.

The motion was passed to make these changes.

New Business: None.

Good of Club

Past Commodore Randy Fitz-Wainwright was presented with a thank gift for her service to the club. The gift consisted of a frame mounted FYC club burgee with a plaque of appreciation.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe McIntosh, Secretary