



# Massachusetts Boating & Yacht Clubs Association, Inc.

## MBYCA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023

The June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 general meeting of the Massachusetts Boating and Yacht Clubs Association, Inc. was held at Port Norfolk Yacht Club, 179 Walnut Street, Dorchester, MA 02125.

Commodore Neal Caten, P.C. called the meeting to order at 8:15 pm. He introduced Past Commodore Jennifer McCarthy, who welcomed us all and wished us a good meeting and invited all to the Tiki Bar for a beverage.

**PREVIOUS MINUTES:** A motion was made to accept the minutes of The May 19<sup>th</sup> general meeting, as distributed. It was seconded and passed.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** P.C. Cheryl Chisholm listed the following information included in each delegate packet:

- Minutes of the May 19<sup>th</sup> general meeting.
- Seaplane Awareness Flier
- DCR Charles River Advisory for June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 – Chemical Treatment
- HB 763 – Relative to the lease of property use by non-profit yacht clubs and other organizations operating. – reflecting waterway access.
- Charles River Activity for the week of June 23<sup>rd</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023
- 2023 Summer Rendezvous Sign-Up sheet (*Also on our website*)

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** P.C. Ted Chisholm reported a balance of \$14,488.75.

**A MOTION WAS MADE TO SUSPEND OUR GENERAL MEETING FOR:**

**GUEST SPEAKER: State Representative Tackey Chan  
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**SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:**

**Thomas Balducci from Watertown Yacht Club**

**an**

**Philip Murray from Plymouth Yacht Club**

**It was seconded and passed.**

"BOATERS ARE VOTERS"

"THE VOICE OF OVER FIFTY THOUSAND BOATING FAMILIES"

**STATE REPRESENTATIVE TACKEY CHAN**



**MBYCA 2014 Legislator of the Year**

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**2<sup>nd</sup> Norfolk District**

***He has and continues to fight for the rights of the recreational boater.***

**2023 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**



***Thomas Balducci, with his parents  
and  
R.C. Phil Greenstein and Commodore Neal Caten, P.C.***



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## COMMITTEE REPORTS

**PORT OPERATOR'S GROUP:** P.C. Peter Gilson spoke on the following:

### **USCG:**

- LCDR Ben Lyons (Waterways) leaves on Friday for a new assignment.
- The Hall-Whittaker bridge will likely be replaced with a temporary structure.
- Sector Boston has a new emergency phone number: **833-449-0539**.
- Hurricane season is underway with low pressure areas already forming SE of Puerto Rico.....**BE PREPARED !!!!**
- The Sumner Tunnel will be closed between July 5<sup>th</sup> and August 31<sup>st</sup>. Significant traffic issues are likely.
- The **Sea Installer** vessel is now scheduled to visit Salem in late July.
- Acquapoluzza is scheduled for July 15<sup>th</sup> between Noon and 8:00 pm.
- Vessels visiting the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks on the Charles River should be aware that the **Creige bridge between will not be opened 11:00 pm and 1:00 am**.
- The annual Frogman Swim went well with no issues.
- The CG issued its ruling on the Boston Long Island Replacement Bridge proposal on the 15<sup>th</sup> of June. The proposed bridge with a 51-foot height and 150-foot width: **WILL NOT REASONABLY EFFECT NAVIGATION: A 30 DAY COMMENT PERIOD WILL BE ANNOUNCED** after which a final ruling will be announced.
- A total of 16 Port Security Grant proposals were received. Award announcements will be made in late August.

### **MASSPORT:**

- 22 of a projected 154 cruise ships have arrived at Cruiseport Boston to date.
- They will be hosting two Mass Maritime Cadet interns this summer.

### **MBHSC:**

- The Coastal Resiliency Cruise has been scheduled for a later date.
- The committee will consider submitting comments on the USCG Long Island Bridge replacement decision.

## **GENERAL:**

- The next POG meeting will be held on July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023.
- There will be no August meeting.
- **Editor's note:** *The city of Boston is NOT issuing excise tax bills for boats this year.* Visit the website and follow the instructions for submitting your request to Police Department Headquarters.

## **RENDEZVOUS:** Fleet Captain, P.C. Russell Hoy listed the following:

- The 2023 Summer Rendezvous will be held on August 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at Wessagussett Yacht Club.
- Boats wanting to come in on Friday will need to let Russell know in order to prepare for early arrivals.
- Sign-Up sheets are due by August 6<sup>th</sup> and forms may be downloaded on our website under Social Activities. Make checks payable to MBYCA and mail to Russell: Fleet Captain Russell Hoy, P.O. Box 414, Hull, MA 02045-0414.
- The theme for this event is Hawaiian Tiki Party. There will be 3 prizes for the best dress.
- The cost is \$60.00 per person.
- The meal will be chicken, steak or lobster. Please check your preference for ordering.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS:** R.C. Phil Greenstein presented our two scholarship recipients with their \$500.00 scholarships. Pictures were taken of both families.

- Phil also stated that we are selling raffle tickets to support our Scholarship Fund. Tickets are \$10.00 a piece and you have a chance to win a 10 ½ inflatable. The drawing will be held on August 20<sup>th</sup> at the rendezvous, and you do not need to be present to win.
- Please purchase a ticket or tickets for a worthwhile cause!!! The more we receive, the more we could give out!

## **YEARBOOK:** P.C. Cheryl Chisholm announced that the yearbooks are here!!!'=

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- 100% Booster raffle winners are as follows:  
Winter Hill Yacht Club  
Savin Hill Yacht Club  
Salem Willows Yacht Club  
Saugus River Yacht Club  
Milton Yacht Club  
Wessagussett Yacht Club  
Jubilee Yacht Club  
Neponset Valley Yacht Club

Each winner received a \$50.00 gift card to Boats and Motors, 299 North Avenue, Wakefield, MA 01880. A catalog was also given to each winner. Boats and Motors phone number: 781-245-3080.

- A big thank you to all clubs who picked up their books.

**ATTENDANCE OF CLUBS:** Social Chair, Carol Gilson stated 23 clubs, 29 delegates and 3 alternates were in attendance.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- *We are looking for some interested members who would like to join our board? Worthwhile work, great people to work with and get to visit and know other clubs and their members.*
- *Please email: Commodore Neal Caten: [kten1010@gmail.com](mailto:kten1010@gmail.com)  
or Secretary Cheryl Chisholm: [mbyca.cpc46@gmail.com](mailto:mbyca.cpc46@gmail.com).*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **NEXT GENERAL MEETING:**  
*September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2023 – Newton Yacht Club  
12 Nonantum Road  
Newton, MA 02495*

- \*2024 Slate of Officers to be announced*
- \*100% Booster Plaques will be ready for pick up*

*50/50: Was won by P.C. Peter Gilson.*

*MOTION TO ADJOURN: Was made at 9:35 pm. It was seconded and passed.*

*Respectfully submitted by,*



**P.C. Cheryl Chisholm  
Secretary, MBYCA**