



100th Anniversary

Massachusetts Boating & Yacht Clubs Association, Inc.

MBYCA GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

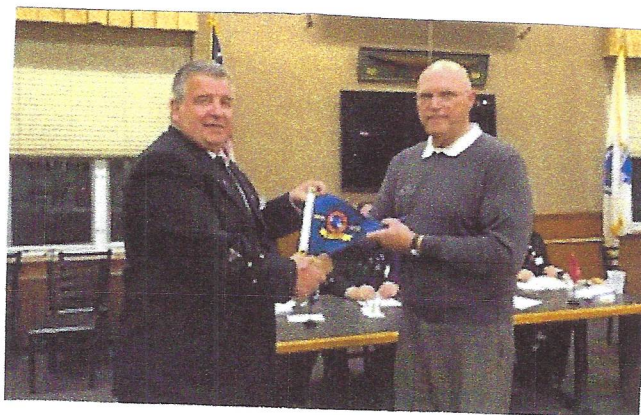
March 22nd, 2019

(Jubilee Yacht Club)

The March 22nd, 2019 general meeting of the Massachusetts Boating & Yacht Clubs Association, Inc. was held at Jubilee Yacht Club, 127 Water Street, Beverly, MA 01915.

Commodore Paul Dubiel called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Our host, Commodore Alex Arcisz, welcomed us and invited us to enjoy the refreshments provided. Commodore Dubiel presented Commodore Arcisz with our 100th Anniversary flag along with our 100th Anniversary pin.



ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND BOARD MEMBERS: All Officers and Board members were present with the exception of P.C. Bill Scanlon and P.C. Russell Hoy, who were excused.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: P.C. Cheryl Chisholm reported on the contents of each delegate packet as follows:

- Minutes of the February 22nd, 2019 general meeting that was held on March 1st at Braintree Yacht Club. ([Website](#) – MBYCA – [Meeting Minutes](#))
- Mass Bay Harbor Safety Committee Annual Meeting, Thursday, April 4th, 2019 ([Website](#) – MBYCA - [Links of Interest](#))
- Notice to Mariners who use GPS Equipment ([Website](#) – MBYCA – [Links of Interest](#))
- For Sale: 21' – 1994 Alcar – Environmental Pump Out Boat – T-Top – 2015 Honda 150 engine with 820 hours
- BoatUS Spring Commissioning Checklist ([Website](#) – MBYCA – [Boat Safety](#))

A motion was made to accept the Secretary's report. It was seconded and passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: P. C. Ted Chisholm reported a balance of \$13,951.01. The Financial Report has been sent to the Audit Committee for review. A copy of this report will be available to any Commodore of a MBYCA member yacht club in good standing once the Audit Committee produces their final report.

"BOATERS ARE VOTERS"

"THE VOICE OF OVER FIFTY THOUSAND BOATING FAMILIES"

A MOTION WAS MADE TO SUSPEND THE MEETING FOR OUR GUEST SPEAKERS:

Keegan Whitehair – Sail Salem

Sail Salem is an educational youth summer program promoting positive life skills and values through the sport of sailing

email: keegan@sailsalem.org

978-219-9475

(Website – MBYCA – Social)

and

Barbara Miele, Manager – West Marine

299 Mishawum Road

Woburn, MA 01801

781-933-0000

*West Marine graciously donated items for door prizes for our 100th Anniversary
The winners of the drawings for this meeting were as follows:*

- \$25.00 Gift Card to West Marine – Carol Caten – Winter Hill Yacht Club*
- \$25.00 Gift Card to West Marine – Mike Mazrimas – Wollaston Yacht Club*
- Inflatable PFD – Paul Astrella – Squantum Yacht Club*



COMMITTEE REPORTS

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

- **USCG:** The Coast Guard will be actively patrolling (enhanced security) the water on Marathon Day. Expect to be boarded for safety inspection, etc.
- The annual CG OUTREACH DAY was held on March 21st, 2019 at Black Falcon Terminal. Subjects included licensing updates, waterway management updates, autonomous vessel update, man overboard procedures and issues impacting the Passenger Vessel Industry.
- The sailing vessel Juan Sebastian de Elcano (371' with four masts) will visit Boston on April 25th until the 1st of May. Berthing options are under evaluation.
- The Propeller Club will hold its annual meeting at Sector Boston on April 11th, 2019, > All are welcome! (Website – Social)

- **GENERAL:**

- * A briefing on successful FEMA Port Security Grant preparations will be held in late April. (details to follow)

- *Boston has experienced several "rail Jumpers" (jumping off of passenger vessels) in the recent past. This practice is illegal and carries a civil penalty of \$25,000, which may be increased.

FROM THE USCG OUTREACH MEETING:

- **AUTONOMOUS VESSEL OPERATIONS:**

- The next generation AMS Inc. vessel is about 16 feet long and 16 feet high, carrying a masthead camera to visually confirm AIS information and tricolor running lights. It will be outfitted with a LIDAR system which will allow measurement of wind velocity up to 800 feet above the ocean surface. Wind farm developers require this information since turbine blades can operate up to that height. The company will inform the CG of all scheduled vessel operation.

- The vessel has numerous contact information signage in addition to AIS.

- **MAN OVERBOARD PROCEDURES (MOB):**

- All vessels, commercial and recreational, should practice MOB drills. 1. Assign someone to watch the person overboard, approach from upwind. 2. Designate someone to say Man Overboard. 3. Have something to get the person on board (boarding ladder – not rope ladders)

- The hardest part is to bring a 185-pound person back on board the vessel. Boarding ladders on vessels, including launches, are extremely helpful.

- **ISSUES IMPACTING THE PASSENGER VESSEL INDUSTRY:** The CG has an illegal charter APP available on line. Everyone is encouraged to use it to report any suspected illegal charters (more than 6 passengers for an uninspected vessel, etc)

- **WATERWAYS MANAGEMENT:**

- * Work on the T bridge in Salem will have minimal impact on recreational boating. A few one-half day closures may occur.

- *Dredging of the Annisquam River has been approved but not yet funded (2020?)

- *The Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) has received \$35 million additional funding to continue the Boston project. The last year of the project will involve removal of 1 million yards of rock (phase two). Additionally, the old electrical cables in South Boston and between Boston and Deer Island treatment plant will be removed.

- *The North Washington Street Bridge has not been permitted as yet.

- *In addition to Cape Air, who has the FAA approval, Tailwinds has applied for FAA approval to operate seaplane service in Boson. Landing will be adjacent to Logan Airport, just outside of the anchorage 2 area.

- *Plymouth 400 has plans to transit the Mayflower II between Provincetown and Plymouth and possibly Boston next year.

- *The GPS digital timing will be reset on April 6th, 2019. The CG is forwarding a detailed Notice on this subject. Some signal interruption is possible. ([Website – Links of Interest](#))

COAST GUARD: Delegate Brian McMahon reported the Coast Guard will have: OPERATION: SAFE + BOAT day on May 18th, 2019 with a rain date of May 25th at USCG Station Gloucester.
([MBYCA Website](#)—[Social](#))

ATTENDANCE: V.C. Carolyn Bargoot reported 19 clubs, 29 delegates and 8 alternates were in attendance.

YEARBOOK: P.C. Cheryl Chisholm reminded the delegates that the deadline for all material to be submitted for the yearbook is May 15th. She hopes that all clubs submit material for MBYCA's 100th anniversary year! She thanked all who have already submitted their material.

SCHOLARSHIPS: V. C. Jack Swanson reminded all delegates that the deadline for applications is April 8th. The recipients for 2019 will be announced at our general meeting held at Old Colony Yacht Club on April 26th.

He also restated the Scholarship Raffle will be held at our Summer Rendezvous on August 11th, 2019. You do not need to be present to win.

The prizes for the winners will be either a 9.5-foot coastal inflatable or a pair of kayaks.

The cost is \$10.00 per ticket with a total of only 250 being sold. Delegates were urged to take packets of ten to try and sell back at their clubs.

SAFE BOATING: P.C. Peter Caten presented material from the Department of Fisheries for all to bring back to their clubs. More material will be ready for distribution in the near future.

P.C. Peder Acres reminded delegates to check pins and shackles on their club docks. There has been a lot of damage at many yacht clubs, due to severe weather.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Lipton Cup Regatta** – Coordinator for the Lipton Cup – Bob Thomas reminded all the delegates that the 2019 Lipton Cup will be held on July 27th and 28th this year. A reminder that this event is 2 weeks later this year and all are welcome to attend.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING: April 26th, 2019 at Old Colony Yacht Club

235 Victory Road

Dorchester, MA

Guest Speaker: Jim McGilvery – TIOLO DOCK BOAT FENDER BUCKET

* Scholarship recipients will be announced.

* 3 West Marine Door prizes to be drawn

50/50: \$70.00 was won by John Thibodeau from Crescent Yacht Club

MOTION TO ADJOURN: was made at 9:10 p.m. It was seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted by:

P.C. Cheryl Pote Chisholm

Secretary/MBYCA

