



Bluewater Bay Sailing Club

NEWSLETTER

January/February 2021

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

Awards & Meeting

JANUARY 23, 2021

The annual awards meeting was held on January 23, 2021 via zoom meeting. All bridge officers were present. There were a total of 31 participants that joined. The meeting was called to order at 6:06 by Michael Morris. There was a motion made by Patty Deming to accept minutes from the last spring meeting, Jeff Amos second. Treasurer Leslie Cooper reported the checking balance of \$5,5608.00 and BBSC membership at 74 members. Commodore Michael Morris commented that we as a club did really well with adapting to the changes the pandemic brought during the 2020 sailing season. Michael thanked the bridge members for stepping up and their hard work. Even with the pandemic there were more people on the water, more boats and our membership continues to grow.

Vice Commodore Jeff Amos said the challenge of last year was getting awards out. Rear Commodores Aleksa and Zack Kastl said the Chili Dog Contest turnout was great and about the only scheduled social event that happened in 2020 but are looking to somewhat of a normal season for 2021. PHRF Fleet Captain Tom McNally said it was a challenging year but the sailors got out and sailed. He thanked everyone for their participation and patience and is looking forward to getting back to normal somehow. Tom has a full schedule for sailing races on the BBSC website calendar and has added an interesting fun race series. Tom still needs people to sign up for race committee for the upcoming season. Tom has also added zoom seminars, previous Sailor of the Year winners Mark Hunter and Mickey Duvall have shared their racing knowledge. Tom would like to modify racing times. The spring and fall races will begin at the same time but summer races will begin in the late afternoon or early evening. Tom asked if anyone is interested in racing to please contact him to get on Group Me. It's been the most effective way the club communicates for meetings or changes in scheduled calendar events. The BBSC calendar has been updated with all racing information, skipper meetings, race results, etc.

Small Boat Fleet Captain Ramsty Siberski said 2020 was fantastic and the pandemic didn't affect small boat racing. He had 35 sailors sail in two divisions in 9 different events. Ramsty needs people to sign up to be race committee for 2021 and has 10 races planned. He would like to hold a weekend regatta, a Saturday and Sunday race and a novelty race where boats start from the beach. Newsletter Editor Patty Deming said she will be mailing out membership cards this week as well as those that continue to renew. Michael Morris thanked Patty for the extra ways she helped the club, setting up PayPal for sailors to pay for racing events and BBSC shirts and updating the BBSC website and calendar.

Quartermaster Brenda Crabbe said she has ordered shirts that were back ordered. Brenda will take shirts to the shipstore for pick up and will email or call people to let them know they are there. Michael Morris thanked Brenda for the work she did on selecting different options on shirts last year and said he appreciated everything she did.

2020 Annual Awards

*Jane Colee Small Boat Sailor of the Year
presented by Ramsty Siberski*

Tom McNally

*Jane Colee Small Boat Sailor of the Year, Junior Division
David Dye*

*Walt Ruckel Sailor of the Year
presented by Jeff Amos*

5th Place: Grover Niles
4th Place: Aleksa Kastl
3rd Place: Melanie McNally
2nd Place: Zack Kastl
1st Place: Tom McNally

*2020 Commodore's Cup
presented by Tom McNally*

Spinnaker Division: Mark Hunter
Non-Spinnaker Division: Mickey Duvall
Double Handed Division: Grover Niles
Cruiser Division: Bill and Gisela Redinger

*USSA/BBSC Sportsmanship Award
presented by 2019 winner Tom McNally
and 2018 winner Ramsty Siberski*

Scott Bedenbaugh

*Emma Goggin Award for the Promotion of Sailing
presented by 2019 winner Ramsty Siberski
and 2018 winner Michael Morris*

Bill and Gisela Redinger

*Wet Wednesday Night Races
presented by Brett Hinely*

1st: Mark Hunter on Epiphany
with 26 total points
Tied for 2nd: Avocet
Mudbug
Stickman

Brett announced Wet Wednesday Night Races will continue in 2021 unofficially starting March 17, officially starting April 7, 2021.

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Fair-weather Fun Race Series

Four 'Fair-weather Fun Races' were held between Dec 5 and Feb 7, as a way to get out and enjoy some time on the water during the 'off season'. Something different was the use of back-calculated ratings rather than the assigned PHRF ratings. The adjusted ratings were intended to account for differences in sailing experience, racing proficiency, and boat preparation, to bring the race results closer together. Like a golf handicap, the goal was to give all sailors / boats a chance at success. These casual races were a perfect time to finagle the calculations, and the results did see some new faces on the podium. To these sailors, I say, "Well done!" Maybe we will pull the adjusted ratings out again sometime this year.

Dec 5 th	1 st Epiphany	2 nd SnapDragon	3 rd Parley
Jan 3 rd	1 st Lovely Crews	2 nd SnapDragon	3 rd Hula Girl
Jan 16 th	1 st Epiphany	2 nd Amazing Grace	3 rd Rock n Roll
Feb 7 th	1 st Pier Pressure	2 nd Epiphany	3 rd SnapDragon

The Sailing Season starts now!

A whole slate of your favorite races is scheduled for the coming sailing season, along with some new twists. Round-the-Bay, Commodore's Cup, Sailfest Weekend, Singlehanded, Summer Race Series (new) with racing late in the day on Saturdays.

A big thanks goes out to all who graciously volunteered for race committee last year. We are counting on your support to cover race committee responsibilities for each of these events in 2021. We all enjoy the fruits of others volunteer efforts. Please think about how you can contribute in 2021, whether as RC Chairman or as a volunteer helping on the committee boat. We need you!



Be sure to check the calendar on BBSC.com.

Upcoming events:

Feb 20 - The ever-popular Chili Dog Race and Chili Cookoff are to be postponed to a date in May. In place of the Chili Dog Race on Feb 20th, we will hold the **PHOTO FINISH** - race and photo contest. Crews will race and take photos from the boat that day, and submit their best photos in different categories. Look for NOR coming soon.

Mar 14 - Small Boat Race Day

Mar 17 - Wednesday Night Sailing - Unofficial opening day

Mar 20 - Start-a-Palooza

Apr 10 - Pick Your Poison (Need RC)

PHRF Fleet Captain - Tom McNally

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Blooper Award Story Time

- 1) Mudbug for flying their spinnaker sideways.
- 2) Diamond for running aground on red right return
- 3) Dinger for falling off the dock again

Winner

Brett Hinely on Diamond

Brett credited Mike Vaccoro as captain of Diamond during the incident.

Outstanding Bridge Member

presented by Commodore Michael Morris

Leslie Cooper

Michael expressed his appreciation for all bridge members but Leslie went the extra mile working on taxes and insurance coverage for the club.

Shirt drawing winners

Fred Langford, Ned Griffith, Roy Byrd, Tom and Melanie McNally, Zack and Marian Voast, Cal and Jenny Heusdens, Obie Olds and Cathy Adamson, Ed and Kim Dunbar, Craig and Karen Nann, Phil and Eveline Rosegrant, Debra Harto and Bill Gardner, Craig and Lynne Deyerle, Scott and JoAnn Bedenburgh, John and Susan Hiemstra, Gene and Jan Bolin, Jan Newman, Kathy and Pete Hodges, Mindy Barrett, Amelie Lanoue, Zack Kastl

2021 Bridge Officers Standing for Elections

Commodore: Michael Morris

Vice Commodore: Jeff Amos

Treasurer: Leslie Cooper

Secretary: Mindy Barrett

Rear Commodores: Aleksa and Zack Kastl

PHRF Fleet Captain: Tom McNally

Small Boat Fleet Captain: Ramsty Siberski

A motion was made for all Bridge members to remain for 2021.

A motion was made to adjourn by Patty Deming, second by Tom McNally

Meeting adjourned at 6:57pm Respectively submitted by Secretary Mindy Barrett

Welcome Aboard

Rodney Dutton - Windswept

Cal & Jenny Heusdens - Ellie Mae

W.Craig & Karen Nann

COMMODORE'S

CORNER

Ahoy Sailors,

We have started the year strong this year, with schedules published, some Fair Weather races going on and our virtual Awards Banquet and Elections. Thanks to all who have participated as well as your hardworking bridge members and volunteers for putting everything together!

If you didn't get to participate yet this year, take a look throughout this newsletter for the recaps, and mark your schedule for the upcoming events.

Of course this will be another adapt and overcome year, so look for communication to come in timely fashion in the GroupMe chats. If you aren't getting those messages, contact one of us on the bridge to get connected.

The Spring Meeting is scheduled for March 12th at 6pm. At this time we will hold it virtually via our friend Zoom. We also will provide a recording afterward if you aren't able to join live.

*See you underway,
Michael Morris*

2021 BLUEWATER BAY SAILING CLUB BRIDGE

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Treasurer: Leslie Cooper
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Secretary: Mindy Barrett
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Rear Commodore: Zack Kastl & Aleska Kastl
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2021 BBSC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Promoting Sailing, Boating, & Related Activities!

Member 1

Member 2

Name*: _____

Name*: _____

email*: _____

email*: _____

cell #: _____

cell #: _____

home #: _____

home #: _____

work #: _____

work #: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

(if different)

Boat Type: _____

Addl Name: _____

Boat Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Checks payable to BBSC by January 13:

1 Membership Renewal x \$50 + _____

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Total = _____

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