



**February 10, 2009
Meeting Minutes**

**2009 Club
Officers**

Commodore
Wayne Johnson

**Vice
Commodore**
Paul Tabor

**Rear
Commodore**
Dan Zowada

Treasurer
Kirk Stefanski

Secretary
Sandy Hardy

**Fleet
Captain**
Lisa Colombo

Delegate
Dale Hardy

**Sergeant
at Arms**
Kim Colombo

Meeting called to order by Commodore Wayne Johnson at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call of officers present : Commodore - Wayne Johnson, Vice Commodore - Paul Tabor, Rear Commodore - Dan Zowada, Treasurer - Kirk Stefanski, Temporary Secretary and Clothing Chairperson -Sandy Hardy, Delegate – P/C Dale Hardy ,

Excused: Fleet Captain-Lisa Colombo, Sergeant at Arms - Kim Colombo, and Newsletter Chairperson- P/C Sharon Cisco

Absent: Paul Jankowski (HCN), Vicki James (HCS)

Members present:, Theresa Johnson, Anne Brieson, Jeff Elgert and new members Judy Janosevic and J Ronald Caranna from North Marina. Welcome to the new members.

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

Everyone present had received the minutes of the last meeting by email. There were no questions or changes. The new members also received the newsletter. Motion made and approved to accept minutes as presented.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Kirk presented the January budget report with an ending balance of \$3486.77 not counting the funds from Changing of the Watch which will be deposited after the meeting. Motion made, seconded and approved to accept the report as read.

DELEGATE’S REPORT:

Dale-

- A large number of people attended the **international travel seminar** at Huron Pointe concerning boaters going to Canada. They only expected to have about 50 people and had 150+ attend this event. This presentation has been placed on the ABYA website.

- Speaker presentations are available to all the clubs free of charge. Just call ABYA for someone to come out and do the presentation on **the history of ABYA**, what they are about, what they do for the boating community, and the other associations they work with. The presentation is also available on their web page ABYA.org. The web page has been updated and is now easier to use.
- **Bridgeview construction** started on Feb 9th. It will be shut down to boaters not more than 24 hours at a time. It is expected to reopen late in 2009.
- Treasurers report states beginning balance of \$12,992 with income of \$1,157 and expenses of \$4181.93 for an ending balance of \$9,967.81.
- **Spring Dinner Dance** will be held at Idle Hour YC on June 6th. This is a change of location from the past. Car ferry available from Algonac. There will be 35 slips available for \$25/night no matter the size of the boat. Dinner/dance tickets are \$30/person. Rooms and boat wells are available through ABYA not the club.
- **Bay City Spring Rendezvous** scheduled for March 29th has been cancelled. There were several people who still wanted to go. The hotel agreed to give the same rates to anyone who wants to go for that weekend, be sure to mention ABYA. Dinner will be available for \$25pp.
- ABYA is still hoping to sponsor **the rubber-band boat races**, tentatively to be held at MacRay’s with a brunch to follow. Details to follow.
- The Harrison Twp Supervisor spoke on **Water Quality**. 2008 was a banner year for water pollution!
 - o **3.3 billion** gallons of partially treated sewage was dumped in the Clinton River
 - o Offenders include Oakland and Macomb County communities of Clinton Twp, Fraser, Centerline, and Warren.
 - o Boaters are encouraged to write to the state and community government representatives to stop this pollution affecting our great Lakes.
- **National Weather Watch** seminar scheduled for Feb 26 at Huron Pointe YC is now full.
- **Clean and Green Boating** workshop scheduled for March 18th at Mac Rays is to focus on current state of the Great Lakes, restoration of the Great Lakes and what boaters can do to stay green. No charge.
- **Clinton River Cleanup** will be on May 9th at the Pride of Michigan docks. There will be more information forthcoming as these events get closer. If you have or know of students needing community service hours, this might be a great opportunity for them to help. Lunch will be provided by ABYA.

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- ABYA is planning a **Texas Hold-em tournament** on April 25th if their gaming license comes thru. This will be held at MacRays.
- **Festival of Lights Boat Parade** will be July 25th but the festival starts July 23rd for that weekend. It is also the Bath City Festival and Beacon Cove has something going on that same weekend. Each club must pay their own entrance fee.
- A movie about the **history of the Great Lakes and Canals** will be presented on Feb 19th at 7:30pm at the Macomb Intermediate School District Educational Service Center. \$10 donation is requested.
- Bouvier Bay YC is sponsoring a **bowling fundraiser** for the victims of a fatal boating accident last October. Bowling is \$25pp on March 14th at Sterling Lanes and they are asking for \$100 donations to sponsor a lane. You will receive a banner for that.
- Moslem Shiners will be hosting their **Past Commodore dinner honoring P/C John Viviano**. The buffet dinner and open premium bar cost is \$30pp and will be held on March 6th at DeCarlo's in Warren. Wayne has tickets.
- Additional Yacht Clubs activities are attached.
- **Next ABYA meeting** is March 2nd at JYC Speakers will be from Clinton River Watershed and Sue Bila from Michigan Festival and Events. Dinner at 6:30pm and meeting starts at 8pm. Contact PC Dale Hardy at 586-484-1296 if you wish to attend.

OFFICER'S REPORT:

Commodore: Wayne Johnson – New post office box was obtained for the Yacht Club for a \$40 yearly fee. It is in Mt. Clemens. The new address is Harbor Club North and South Yacht Club, P.O Box 46641, Mount Clemens, Mi. 48046. Newsletters are now blind copied so that no one can use our mailing list for solicitations. There are docks available at Harbor Club South from 40' down to 25'. For special pricing and info call Vickie at South at 586-791-1441. There are docks available at Harbor Club North. For info call Lisa or Paul Jankowski at 586-726-2000.

Vice Commodore: Paul Tabor – Very nice job on the Changing of the Watch. A good time was had by all.

Rear Commodore: Dan Zowada – Suggest that a gathering be held on Saturday night, Feb. 28th at the South clubhouse with food and playing cards or games of your choice. BYOB. Dan will take reservations. \$5 pp at the door.

Membership cards- Available tonight. Laminating is available for a \$5 fee.

Fleet Captain: Lisa Colombo–Reservation forms are available now for some of the upcoming rendezvous.

COMMITTEES:

Newsletter: P/C Sharon Cisco -No report at this time.

Clothing: Sandy Hardy – Requesting funds from the board to purchase shirts and hats to have available at the Blessing of the Fleet. It was suggested that members wear items with our insignia as a way of promoting our club. Motion made to give Sandy a check for \$250 for purchasing of garments. Motion approved. Sandy will investigate another dealer than the one we used before.

Webmaster: Dan Zowada – no report.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Still looking for a Secretary- Everyone will help out
- Shrink Wrap Project - Wayne is still waiting for information on a place to collect the shrink wrap to keep it from going to landfills. Nat Pulizzi is working with ABYA on this project.
- The 2009 ILYA dues are \$130 and are due on March 1st. Wayne has sent messages to both North and South concerning ads for each marina and about reciprocal arrangements. South will have a no charge for other clubs and a minimum of 3 wells are available, probably more. Not sure yet about North.
- **Blessing of the Fleet** – Sunday, May 17th – HC South Clubhouse, 1 – 4pm, hamburgers/hot dogs and bake sale. Bake goods donated by our club ladies. **Moslem Shrine's Highlanders** might be able to come and then we could try to get some media coverage for this event.
- **Steak dinner** – Saturday, August 22nd. Location to do be determined at a later date.
- **50/60's Dance** with some 50's food as well. BYOB at the Mt. Clemens #6 Lodge, music by DJ Dale Hardy, May 16th

NEW BUSINESS:

- Post cards for distribution will again be used this year with club activities to give as invitations to join our club.
- Customs requirements – Wayne got a new and improved Nexus card good for cars or boats. You can use your passport or nexus card when crossing. All passengers must also have a nexus card or their passports. Contact Wayne if you want more information.
- Motion was made for \$100 to sponsor a lane for the benefit earlier mentioned and to get the banner for our club. Motion approved.
- A Yacht Club business card was found from years ago. It was suggested having a card to pass out to others. No motion made on this item.

Good of the Order- Sandy Hardy suggested having an expiration date on our membership cards for perhaps March of the next year. This would allow a card to be used in the early winter months. Then we could have a big bash for a membership meeting for example in March. No motion made on this item.

Motion to adjourn- seconded and approved at 8:55pm.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be Monday, March 10th at 7:30pm at the Harbor Club South Marina Clubhouse. The next several meetings will be held at South because of lack of availability of North.

Respectfully submitted by,
Sandy Hardy
Secretary (temp)
Harbor Club North & South Yacht Club

Harbor Club N & S Yacht Club Newsletter

Upcoming Activities!

- Thursday, February 19th, ***River Channels***, Underwater film by Luke Clayburn at Macomb Inter. School District Educational Service Center, 44001 Garfield, Michigan Superior Room. \$10.00 donation.
- Thursday, February 26th, ***Skywarn Class***, sponsored by ABYA, at Huron Pointe YC, 32800 South River Road, 7:30-9:30pm. Call 586-242-3446.
- Saturday, February 28th, ***Harbor Club N/S YC Game Night***, at Harbor Club South Clubhouse, 6pm – 'til. Hot Dogs/Hamburgers BYOB, \$5pp for more info contact Dan Zowada.
- Monday, March 2nd, ***ABYA Monthly Meeting***, at Jefferson Yacht Club, Dinner at 6:30pm, Meeting at 8:00pm, Call Dale Hardy at 586-263-4879.
- Friday, March 6th, ***Moslem Shrine YC Past Commodore Party***, Honoring P/C John Viviano, at DeCarlo's, 6015 E 10 Mile, Dinner and premium open bar, \$30pp, Cocktails 6pm, Dinner 7pm. Call Paul Tabor 313-212-3751.
- Tuesday, March 10th, ***Harbor Club N/S Yacht Club Monthly Meeting***, at Harbor Club South Marina Clubhouse at 7:30pm. Everyone welcome. Come and get your 2009 membership card.
- Saturday, March 14th, ***Bowling Charity Fundraiser***, sponsored by Bouvier Bay YC at Sterling Lanes, 33200 Schoenherr, \$25pp, 8:30pm, Call Jessica 586-263-6102.
- Wednesday, March 18th, ***Clean & Green Boating Workshop***, sponsored ABYA, at MacRays, 6:30 – 9:30pm, No Charge. 248-601-0606.

A Message from Commodore Wayne...

I would like to thank the Yacht Club members and friends for coming out in the cold to the Changing of the Watch for Dale. Fun and good food was had by all at JYC.

During the next 3 or 4 monthly meetings at South we will be passing out membership cards. All that is required is \$5.00 per card for members at North and South and \$25.00 for social members.

We would like to increase our membership! I know these are tough times. People are loosing their jobs and selling their boats; but there are still people that might want to join a yacht club so why not ours? Think about someone that might be interested in joining. You can become a member in a couple ways. One is by having a slip at either North or South marina which entitles you automatically. The other is by becoming a social member. Social Membership requires you to be sponsored by a current member and approved with a vote by the Bridge. We do not exclude anyone from being a member. A Social Member can be a boater or non boater. You do not have to have a boat to be a Social Member. Several Social Members have been on our Bridge and even Commodore. So think about someone special to invite and bring them to one of our monthly meetings.

We need to continue Harbor Club North & South Yacht Club into the future and need new blood and fresh ideas. So think about inviting someone soon to a meeting.

Thanks

Wayne Johnson

Commodore Harbor Club North/South Yacht Club 2009