



**January 8, 2008
Meeting Minutes**

**2008 Club
Officers**

Commodore
Dale Hardy

**Vice
Commodore**
Wayne Johnson

**Rear
Commodore**
Paul Tabor

Treasurer
Rod Erwin

Secretary
Lisa Colombo

**Fleet
Captain**
Dan Zowada

Delegate
Pat Meraw

**Sergeant
at Arms**
Kim Colombo

Meeting called to order by Commodore Dale Hardy at 7:30 p.m.

Roll call of officers present: **Commodore – Dale Hardy, Vice Commodore – Wayne Johnson, Rear Commodore – Paul Tabor , Treasurer – Rod Erwin (excused), Secretary - Lisa Colombo, Fleet Captain – Dan Zowada, Delegate – P/C Pat Meraw, Newsletter Chairperson – P/C Sharon Cisco (excused), Clothing Chairperson -Sandy Hardy, Sergeant at Arms – Kim Colombo, Paul Jankowski (Harbor Club North Marina) (absent), Webmaster – Dan Zowada. Also present: Members: Maryann Belavek, Clayton & Kathy Schwach**
GUESTS: John Viviano, Commodore, Shriner’s Yacht Club

SECRETARY’S REPORT:

Previous minutes approved as presented.

TREASURER’S REPORT:

Treasurer’s Report postponed (Treasurer excused)

DELEGATE’S REPORT:

- Pat Meraw gave the report.
- **ABYA Meeting** was held on January 8, 2008. Dan Zowada needs to check to see if our website is up and running on the ABYA. If it is not, please let me know and I will get the appropriate parties involved.
- **Spring Rendezvous** - In 3 weeks the rooms will be given back to the hotel for the Spring Fling. If you want to book please do so. Open to members and guests. For every event ABYA plans they base the ticket price to the event at cost plus 5% for incidentals and shortfalls. All the profits are made from the raffles.
- **Next Months Meeting** - The next ABYA meeting will be held on Monday, February 11, 2008 @ Mariner’s Yacht Club @ 8 p.m. The ABYA has some excellent speakers lined up for the future.
- **Sea Cadets** will be host a champagne/wine tasting event on January 17th at the Champagne Wine Cellars on Chicago Road, west of Van Dyke from 6pm – 8pm - \$15 pp.
- **Raw Water Act - Art Brooks:** We have had literature passed out before by Gerry Lesmeister. It

is suppose to be effective September 2008 and **if it goes through it will be \$1,000 per boat permit** required; not per household. Sounds like it will be an annual permit. They also refer to it as the Discharge Permit. Please log onto the ABYA website to sign the petition. It originated with commercial boaters.

- **ShowMeMtClemens.com** There is a survey on their website for boaters to contribute to what the community can do to draw boaters to their City.
- **Bel-Mar Marina** Is now welcoming Clubs to hold their Rendezvous at their facility.
- **ABYA Safety Book** will be updated this year. They do this bi-annually. This year they will sell ads to cover the costs (approx \$5,000). In the past they took donations from Clubs, but this year they will sell ads. They never have enough copies and always run out. A ¼ page ad is \$200.
- **Clinton River Clean-Up** will be held on Saturday, May 10, 2008. They decided it would be advantageous to hold one in the spring. More news to follow.
- **ABYA Logo** has been approved to place on individual Club’s membership cards. **Dan:** Do you know if the ILYA allows the same? **Pat:** I do not know.
- **Moslem Shrine Dinner** will be held on Thursday, January 24, 2008. I will leave the detailed report on this to John Viviano since he is here this evening.

OFFICER’S REPORT:

Commodore: Dale Hardy – Nothing to report.

Vice Commodore: Wayne Johnson –Nothing to report.

Rear Commodore: Paul Tabor – Nothing to report.

Fleet Captain: Dan Zowada –
Jimmy Buffet @ Cove: June 6-7, 2008 I reserved 30 wells and the Gazebo for Sip & Dip.
Belle River & Winery: Dates to be determined.

COMMITTEES:

Newsletter: Sharon Cisco – Excused.
Clothing: Sandy Hardy - No orders have been received.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Banking for Club** - Rod is still waiting for an appointment with the bank officials. **Dale:** I will set-up the date for Rod & I will also attend. This will be done prior to the next meeting. I feel we should have two signatures on the account and perhaps dual signatures on each check. Rod is out of town and I will talk to him about it when he returns.
- **Shriner's & HCNSYC Christmas Party:** It went very well. We had 24 guests from Harbor Club. Fantastic time and great food! The band was wonderful.
- **ABYA Christmas Party:** **Dale:** It was the first time my wife and I attended. Gerry & Nellie were there and Harold was there and Chuck the Rear Commodore from Shriner's Yacht Club. Another great party!
- **Christmas Donations to Turning Point:** **Dale:** This was to be in lieu of the mittens & scarves of the old Giving Tree project. The result was dismal. Three individual donations were made totaling \$150. I had thought that maybe the Club could match those personal donations and I thought maybe we could match or percentage it. **Lisa:** When I went there with the three donations, I explained to her that I realized it wasn't as much. However, they were very grateful and thanked us profusely. I explained to her that we didn't have the availability of the North building for the tree. Many of our members cannot access the North building and there is no one there to receive donations. So here is what we have for you. They are willing to take donations all year round if we wish to add to the amount. If the Club would like to do so, I think it would be great. **Motion:** Harbor Club North & South make \$75 donation. **Discussion:** There are enough monies to match it. **Lisa:** Amendment to motion that we match with a \$150 donation from the Club. **Motion** Seconded and Carried.
Dale: I think we need to start thinking of how to handle this issue for next year. **Lisa:** I have a suggestion that we take cash donations the night of our Christmas Party. We have the Toys for Tots thing; the Shriner's do the 50/50 raffle. I did put a sign on the registration table this year, but no donations were made and I think it just didn't get talked up enough. We would do this in lieu of the tree. **Dale:** John, how do you feel about this? **John:** We did the 50/50. **Lisa:** Would it be a conflict if we placed on next year's flyer that donations for Turning Point are being accepted through Harbor Club? **John:** I have the flyer so all I need is what you want on this. **Sandy:** If we are going to be part of this Christmas Party and our name is on the flyer, I think we need to be more active in setting up. **Lisa:** I ask that to be under New Business. Kim & I did volunteer our time, but I'm looking at doing something more. **Sandy:** I agree. **Paul:** Over the years it has fallen on one or two individuals. Dave Asher's wife Jeanie and Nellie Lesmeister have done the centerpieces. Nellie and Vickie shopped for the centerpieces this year and Lisa & Kim helped out. We need to put a committee together & meet with the Shriner's to see what they need. **Clayton:** Maybe in October we can send out a request for volunteers. **Lisa:** I have the expenditures for that event. Perhaps our Club could donate a monetary amount along with donating our time. Could we make a donation to cover the costs of the table favors? It was \$219 for all the centerpieces. **Sandy:** I agree. **Lisa:** A lot of people don't know that we don't contribute more. Shriner's have always done the work and included our name on it. Now that Kim and I are more involved in the Club I think I am beginning to have a better understanding. **Maryann:** Don't you incorporate the costs into the tickets? **John:** Mac Ray's is good to us. Once I give them a total number that is the number we pay for. This year 6 people bought tickets that didn't show up. **Lisa:** What area would suggest besides

volunteering time? **John:** Just another fantastic turnout! The hardest part is selling and tracking tickets prior to the event. I've already booked the band for next year. Maybe next year your Club can sell 100 and we'll sell 100 and each Club track their own tickets. We'll talk about it again together when it gets closer.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Changing of the Watch:** Will be held at JYC on Saturday, January 12, 2008. Cocktails will be served from 6:30 pm – 7:30pm. Dinner @ 7:30 pm. The cost will be determined shortly as the menu is not finalized. Nat Pulizzi will be swearing in the new officers at this event as well. Thank you to Vice Commodore Hardy and his Lady Sandy for working on this event!
 - **Harbor Club Newsletter:** We had talked about canceling the emailing of the Newsletter since it is posted on the website. I've given it some more thought, and I don't think it's a good idea. E-Mailing doesn't cost us anything; not like the mailing did. This way we get the info to the membership and they don't have to remember to log-on to our site. Dan Zowada has no problem emailing the newsletter. He will add a link to download Adobe Reader in case you don't have it. Lisa mentioned she has all the archived minutes for the last several months and she will forward to Dan for posting on the website as well. Lisa will continue to forward to Sharon and she will forward it to Dan with any attachments she may have.
 - **January Shriner's Steak Dinner:** **John:** It will be held on Thursday, January 24, 2008, at 6:30 p.m. at Mac & Rays. This is an event that is looked forward to each year. As an added plus, Ladies & Guests are welcome. The price is \$50 pp which includes a 1 ½ lb. Porterhouse/T-Bone or Norwegian Salmon w/ all the trimmings and 3 drink tickets (additional cash bar). **Reservations must be received by January 20, 2008 w/ entrée selection indicated.** The Shriners' have multiple Clubs/Units. Each Club is expected to raise monies for the Childcare Fund. This is our fundraiser for that fund. I'd like to get 100 people there and that way we can raise \$1,000. **Please send remittance payable to "MSYC" to either Commodore Dale Hardy, 47399 Napoli Lane, Macomb, MI 48044 CELL:586-484-1296 or John Viviano,41185 Belvidere, Harrison Twp., MI 48045 CELL:586-344-3597 or Len Goodleski, 22478 E. 10 Mile Rd., St. Clair Shores, MI 48080, CELL: 586-776-8291.**
 - **Shriner's Past Commodore Dinner: January 23, 2008** at Louie's Chop House located on the west side of Gratiot, south of 23 Mile. Contact P/Cs Chuck Noris or Nat Pulizzi.
 - **Shriner's Pig Roast:** July 25-27, 2008 @ Metro Park. We had 35 boats last year!
 - **ILYA Boat Show-A** burgee was sent to them per their request.
 - **Membership Cards** –A discussion was held on how to handle the distribution in a more efficient manner. Social Memberships will be available again. A new member sign-up event will be scheduled. Applications for membership are on the website. **Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast & Blessing of the Fleet:** Discussion about not having the Pancake Breakfast on Mother's Day. Next meeting the events for the summer will be scheduled, i.e. Pancake Breakfast, Blessing of the Fleet, Kick-Off Party, etc.
 - **Commodore Hardy** requested that all Officers, excluding the Sgt. @ Arms, wear a blue blazer, white shirt and gray slacks to Yacht Club meetings.
 - **Motion** to adjourn @ 9 p.m. **Motion** seconded and unanimously passed.
- NEXT MEETING:** Our next meeting will be Tuesday, February 12, 2008, @ 7:30 PM at the North Clubhouse.
Respectfully submitted by,
Lisa Colombo, Secretary

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Upcoming Activities!

- **Thursday, January 17, 2008, Sea Cadets, Tasting Benefit, Champagnes Wine Cellars, RSVP – Joe McDonald 313-282-2218.**
- **Friday, January 18, 2008, Windmill Pte YC, Fish Fry, RSVP-Bob List 586-321-6122.**
- **Saturday, January 19, 2008, Blue Whale Yacht Club, Pub Crawl, RSVP –Dena Zerngibl 248-709-6818.**
- **Thursday, January 24, 2008, Annual Steak Dinner, 6pm, Mac Rays, \$50pp RSVP-Harold Moynes 586-322-9055**
- **Saturday, January 26, 2008, Y-Knots YC, Commodore's Ball, Gino's Surf, \$60pp, RSVP-Jack Smith 586-770-7202.**
- **Sunday, February 3, 2008, Mariner's Boat Club, Super Bowl Madness Party, 4pm+, \$15pp, Food & Prizes, RSVP Sam Bileti 586-979-0725.**
- **Monday, February 11, 2008, ABYA Monthly Meeting, Mariner's Boat Club, 6:30pm dinner, 8pm meeting, Presentation on Marine Thunderstorms, RSVP Pat Meraw 586-215-7340.**
- **Tuesday, February 12, 2008, Harbor Club N&S YC Monthly Meeting, 7:30pm, North Clubhouse, Everyone Welcome.**
- **Saturday, February 16, 2008, Mariner's Boat Club, Valentine's Party "A Special Night to Remember", 6pm to Midnight, Dinner 6:30pm, \$15pp Dancing, Entertainment, Wine & Treats, Singles Welcome, RSVP Sam Bileti 586-979-0725.**
- **Saturday, February 16, 2008, Sand Pointe YC, Commodore's Ball, Cherry Creek Country Club, RSVP Tony Fralowicz 586-268-3958.**

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2008 Detroit Boat Show

www.detroitboatshow.net

February 16 – 24th
Cobo Center

\$11 adult

\$10 adult on line

Sun 11-6

M & W 11-9

T, Th, F 3-9

Important Notice!!!!

www.harborclubnsyc.com

The Harbor Club N&S Yacht Club's website is active. Take a look at our website and forward any ideas or suggestions to Dan Zowada, our webmaster. See our club's current and past pictures and newsletters. As of January 1st, 2008 the yacht club will no longer be mailing the newsletter but will continue to send it by e-mail. If you know of a member who is not receiving the newsletter by e-mail please let Dan Zowada know at dzowada@comcast.net to you as it will be posted on the website.

In The News!

Grey Water Act

There has been a lot of discussion recently about this act possibly costing boat owner up \$1000 per year extra. A recent notice from Richard Watros, current secretary for ABYA, indicates that this act will not affect pleasure boat owners. Check on the ABYA website for more information or attend the next ABYA monthly meeting. More news to follow.

