

1 *General Membership Meeting – March 2013*

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3 The March 2013 General Membership Meeting commenced on 3/7/2013 at 6:30 pm.

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5 1. First Vice Commodore: working on the building addition; not happy with the chain-link fence;
6 exploring other ideas. Trying to identify junk on the property. Kevin Chmn of the ways and
7 means committee is getting estimate on enclosing and weatherproofing new annex.

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9 2. Fleet Vice Commodore: Due to the sailing class in April we need help in going over and
10 repairing all the sails and rigging for the Sunfish and Capris. We are requesting help for Saturday
11 and Sunday mornings. Fleet Vice Commodore stated that we are purchasing two new outboard
12 motors. He also proposed that we consider purchasing the Catalina 25 currently owned by
13 Halifax Youth Sailing

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15 3. Membership Vice Commodore: 116 paid members right now. All gold and silver members
16 have paid their membership dues except two. It will be decided by the BOD if Ken Pax will be
17 exempt from paying gold membership dues for 2013 due to being in the hospital.

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19 4. Treasurer is not here in order to give the Treasurer's report. Bank account is within a couple
20 hundred dollars of last month.

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22 Old Business:

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24 5. Jake Morgan - Education Committee: Level one sailing instructor evaluation is under way.
25 There are 3 HYS members, 5 Embry Riddle ROTC members and a couple others from other
26 areas that are being evaluated to become US Sailing Small Boat Instructors. Heavy wind sailing
27 class will be put on from time to time with dates to be announced. They will be less than two
28 hours with class time, drills, exam and will be at no cost. Will post on events calendar and
29 website. Sailing school sunfish beginner class will be held each Saturday in April. Then step up
30 to the two day advanced course in middle of May.

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32 6. The Thunder Mug Regatta is scheduled for March 23, 2013. Bill Field is the event captain for
33 this event.

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35 7. Gold member boats. A lengthy discussion was held by BOD at its meeting on the current club
36 rule limiting gold member boats to 21 feet length overall. The rule is currently in violation by
37 some member boats. It was finally decided that the 21 foot rule will remain, and that we will
38 further specify that gold member boats must have lifting keels, are on trailers and are readily
39 trailerable, and that they are capable of being launched either at the club or the nearby town dock.
40 Members may request an exception by the BOD; but it will take a 'yes' vote of at least seven (7)
41 board members to approve the application.

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43 8. A motion was made and seconded to discuss and have a special vote about the topic of Gold
44 Member boat length being over 21 feet at the next General Meeting. It was agreed that we do so.
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1 9. New building addition is going to be an ongoing project.

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3 10. BOD is looking into security cameras to provide the best security that we can afford for our
4 members. For full coverage 12 cameras would be required. Commodore Dewey has appointment
5 on Monday with security rep. There are a number of options and one of them is for four lights on
6 telephone type poles to light entire yard and be placed along the fence line.

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8 11. Both of our US Flags are now illuminated at night and a light is on the safety boat as well.
9 Both US Flags were replaced with cloth flags and will continue to be replaced with cloth flags as
10 they need replacing due the inexpensive cost of the cloth style flags.

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12 12. Several General Members have not paid their 2013 dues and will be contacted to find out if
13 they intend to renew their membership for this year.

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15 13. Bob Benke gave update about Ken Pax. Ken is still in the hospital and has been there since
16 last summer. He seems to understand verbiage, but not able to form responses well. He has little
17 or no means to pay hospital bills. Bob is asking the BOD to exempt him this year from his gold
18 membership dues for 2013 and send him a card from the club monthly. Bob Benke will buy and
19 send the card. BOD members met after the meeting and approved Bob's request.

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21 14. The mechanic is working on the Honda engine for the Sun Chaser. Good chance we will get
22 the Honda for Sun Chaser back.

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24 New Business:

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26 15. BOD voted that the 15 mph rule will remain in force with MPH changed to knots. That is,
27 club boats may not leave the dock or be launched when the local wind speed is over 15
28 knots. Club boats out sailing when wind speeds increase are advised to return to the club.
29 Members cannot sail in winds stronger than 15 knots (17 ¼ mph.)

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31 16. BOD has begun to explore and is proposing that we start grading sailors by their ability to
32 sail and assigning qualification codes. These will determine the boats that members can use and
33 the conditions that members can sail under. It will be discussed again at the next BOD meeting.

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35 17. A motion was made and seconded that we have a discussion and vote on the 15 knot max
36 wind speed rule at the next General Meeting. It was agreed that we do so. An email will be sent
37 out so that members can vote on it.

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39 18. The BOD is considering a method of checking out big boats without checking with the boat
40 captain. In the meantime, if you can't reach the assigned boat captain or co-captain then call
41 Fleet V.C. Paul Tanner and he will grant usage based on qualifications.

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43 19. Commodore Dewey has developed a Short-term and a Long-term action plan for his vision of
44 the club. They both will be posted on the website for his short-term and long-term goals for the
45 club this year.

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2 20. We need a trailer for the 18' buccaneer. If anyone knows of a trailer, please let a BOD
3 member know ASAP.

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5 21. We now have eight lockers for the membership to use. You will need to bring your own lock.
6 When done sailing for the day, empty the locker and take your lock with you. Locks left on
7 overnight will be cut off. Put a note on the locker if you plan on being out on the boat for the
8 weekend or overnight. Commodore Dewey donated 24" bolt cutters.

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10 22. BOD is compiling a list of the things the club needs this year. We would like for the
11 membership to contribute to the list so that we can come up with a budget proposal for the year.
12 Please write down your ideas and give it to a board member.

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14 23. Membership list will shortly be up to date. Steve said it will be done this week and will be
15 posted on the board by the men's room.

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17 Announcements:

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19 24. Congratulations to Woodie Sessoms and Enrique Soria for qualifying as Captains for the
20 "Summer Wind".

21 25. Christopher Likes' family donated his Laser boat to the ERAU.

22 26. All boats except the Nacra now have photos on the website.a

23 27. Big Boys race this Sunday.

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25 28. Diver will be here tomorrow (Friday) to clean hulls.

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27 29. Next BOD meeting March 28th at 6:30 PM.

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29 30. April 4th next general meeting at 6 :30 PM.

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31 31. April 6th first sunfish class.

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33 32. If you empty it... please fill it.(Gas tanks, etc.) If you break it please help fix it or let
34 someone know it is broken... so they can help you fix it.

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36 33. Anyone interested in going out on the Pearson 30 on Wednesdays to sail in friendly races
37 with SYC out on the ocean can contact Ron Kainz until the middle of May and Ellen Glenn after
38 May when Ron heads back home.

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40 34. Is there any interest in sailing in the HRYC Commodores Cup? We missed one of the races.

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42 35. Marlinspike classes being planned with Jake and Commodore Dewey. Classes will be
43 informal "Brownbag" type (bring your lunch) & will be announced.

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45 The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm.

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