

FHYC VIRTUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday May 14th, 2020

Commodore Ritchie Thomson called the meeting to order at 19:30 hrs. He welcomed participating members to our second virtual General Meeting and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of all that died since our last meeting. Ritchie thanked Adrian Vergot for setting up and running orientation sessions to make this virtual meeting possible. Reiner and Renata Zeppenfeld introduced their neighbors Buddy and Chris Jewell. Lois Andrews introduced Joan Wilson who was attending her 2nd meeting. Ralph Azersky introduced his guests the Woodworths from NJ, passing through on their way from Marathon.

Dr. Kathie King gave a report on the Covid-19 situation stressing the severity of the virus and strongly recommends that we continue with virtual meetings and social distancing. The Board-approved approach to the pandemic was presented to members.

We have a total of 160 members; 155 Regular, 2 Charter and 3 Complimentary.

May Anniversaries were noted.

The April General Meeting Minutes were published on the FHYC website. With no objections being voiced they were considered accepted as published.

The April Financial Statements were approved by the Board and can be viewed on the website.

Vice Commodore Adrian Vergot stated that the Semaphore is going digital and urged anyone who needed help with this transition to contact Larry Knapp or himself. The deadline for articles to reach the Semaphore is noon on Monday May 18th. Adrian has created a FHYC Mailbox; FHYC Photos.com for pictures to be shared and requests that only the "Best of the Best" be submitted.

Ritchie read the Rear Commodore's report in her absence. We are hoping to have a speaker from the NWS at a meeting in the fall. Dave Phipps will be presenting "Member Local Boat Show" at our meeting tonight and will present "Handling Abnormals and Emergencies on the Water" the following day. Barbara has contacted the POA in connection to replacing marker 15. Discussions will continue with the POA.

Phil Katz reported on cruising planning and scheduling. He has 5 boats signed up for the cruise to Cape Lookout from June 1-5th. The "Local Water Cruise" is scheduled for June 17 – 21st and the "Latham-Whitehurst Park Small Boat" event is scheduled for June 27th. If New Bern has a fireworks display on July 4th, there will be plans to anchor out. The "Shakedown and Wine Tasting Cruise" is rescheduled for September and the Bryce's Creek/On the Hook cruise will hopefully be scheduled for the fall. The re-opening of restaurants will determine the scheduling of the "3 Dinner Cruise."

The Entertainment Committee has October 15th set for the Fall Appreciation Dinner at Harbour Point. The Chili Cook Off is scheduled for November 10th and the Holiday Party/Commodore's Ball at Carolina Colors is set for December 10th.

Georgie Jackson reports that the Wilkerson Cup last Saturday was a success. The Dinghy/Sunfish races will be continued on Sundays with Joan Wilson as PRO. The Oar race will be held in October contingent on the weather and the Fun Holiday series will continue but due to the distancing restrictions the Ensign races are not being held at this time but possibly in the fall sponsored by BSC. Georgie Jackson reported that Mike and Vickie Shetter have offered to host the Wilkerson potluck party when social distancing restrictions are lifted. Ritchie virtually presented a Regatta Captain's Burgee to Georgie. It seems that Quarantini Saturdays have had many participants enjoying the event and sending in their photos and recipes to share. Lois viewed 120 photos and came up with 4 winners. Top prize going to the photograph of Ritchie and Julia in their flag -decorated dinghy. Lois and Adrian are planning to compile photos and recipes in a "Quarantinis Remembered" book.

Dave Phipps followed Ritchie with his excellent presentation of "Member Local Boat Show."
Thank you Dave.

Meeting adjourned at 20:43 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

Yvonne Meissner

Secretary