

**Minutes of the Dahlgren Yacht Club
General Membership Meeting
24 January 2009**

Call to Order: Commodore Darrel Webb called the meeting to order at 1715.

Agenda

Review Minutes from 2008
Reports from the Board of Governors
Issues
 Budget
Action Items Review
Members Requests / Issues
Nominations for the Board of Governors
Voting
Adjourn Meeting

Opening remarks and report by the Commodore: Darrel Webb Provided the following input for 2009.

Welcome to the DYC Yearly members meeting.

This year we have enjoyed many months of good weather and water. Many members spent time on the river boating and racing. As you all may be aware the club has been trying to purchase a safety boat to replace the Whaler. The club purchased a safety boat replacement for the whaler late last summer. The Whaler was sent to the great boat yard in the sky late last summer. The club should enjoy many years with the updated boat and engine...

As I understand, the safety boat was used in a rescue recently to help keep a disabled boat from going aground. Kudos to all that participated and proved that SOPs are useful...

We successfully executed the budget closely as can be expected given the failure of the whaler. Last years dues increase allowed the club to have enough funds on hand to replace the whaler, on the spot, when the motor failed. The replacement safety boat was procured for a very good price. The club was very lucky. As the safety boat paperwork was being signed another customer came in to purchase the very same boat. We were successfully able to obtain the boat only by a matter of minutes...

The Board of Governors wants to thank all the members for approving the increase in dues last year. The club will be able to put aside several thousand dollars in the capitol improvements fund this year for future updates as addressed in the capitol improvements plan. This funding set aside will allow dues to remain at their current levels \$55.00 for membership and \$11.00 per foot for slips.

I look forward to serving again as Commodore for DYC.

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Opening remarks and report by the Vice-Commodore: Roger Poole Provided the following input for 2009.

- No new MWR Scrutiny
- Primary responsibilities include DockHouse, Website, & Mail Distribution (getting little bounce back)
- Submit pictures for website

Review Minutes: The minutes of the 2008 General Membership Meeting were reviewed and approved.

GOVERNOR REPORTS

Treasurer Report: Henry Hubbard Provided the following input:

DYC FY2009 proposed budget for 1 April 2009 - 31 March 2010. The budget reflected a total operating expense of \$29, 880.00.

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Proposed FY 09 Budget

4/1/2009 through 3/31/2010 Using FY 09

1/17/2009

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Category Description	4/1/2009 Actual	- Budget	3/31/2010 Difference
INCOME			
Div Income	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Membership	0.00	29,500.00	-29,500.00
Merchandise_Inc	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Racing Income	0.00	100.00	-100.00
Social Income	0.00	1,600.00	-1,600.00
TOTAL INCOME	0.00	31,400.00	-31,400.00
EXPENSES			
Administration	0.00	600.00	600.00
Capital Improvement	0.00	5,800.00	5,800.00
Facilities Improvement and Repair	0.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
Insurance	0.00	2,400.00	2,400.00
Maintenance	0.00	2,750.00	2,750.00
Membership Expense	0.00	150.00	150.00
Merchandise Expense	0.00	100.00	100.00
MWR Fee	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
Personal Property Tax	0.00	40.00	40.00
Publication	0.00	100.00	100.00
Racing	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Social	0.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
Telephone	0.00	540.00	540.00
Training & Seamanship	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Trash	0.00	1,100.00	1,100.00
Utilities	0.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	0.00	29,880.00	29,880.00
OVERALL TOTAL	0.00	1,520.00	-1,520.00

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Membership Report: David Shuttleworth Provided the following input:

2008 DYC Annual Meeting Membership Report

Membership Type	2008	2007	Difference
# Regular Members	104	127	-23
# Associate Members	42	35	+7
# UNA Members	24	28	-4
# Racing Members	10	10	0
Total # Members	180	200	-20

Total membership is down from the previous year when we had 200 members total. The Regular Membership decreased by 23; the other totals were generally the same.

Please continue to provide email addresses to receive important announcements throughout the year.

Dock Master: Paul Schaeffer Provided the following input:

- Conducted regular (no work day) maintenance
- Pier in good shape
- Have a SOP for the floating dock

Social: Ann Lusher Provided the following input

In April, our social season started off with a strong turn out for the Work Day followed by the Spring Thaw barbeque, sock burning and Blessing of the Fleet. Pastor Naumann led the participants onto the dock and performed the ceremony for prosperity for waterman earning their livelihood and safe recreation throughout the season. Socks were burned and the end to the cold air was near!

An old event for the racers was revived and most Mondays crews from many boats met at Roma's to discuss the evening race and swap boating stories. This continued throughout the season! Dock parties were held after each session with racers from both docks participating and receiving their awards. Appetizers were consumed for the Solstice Race in June and again shared on various boats during the St. Clement's Raft up in September.

A new event was added for May, June and part of July. The Friday night Sunset get together! Members of all ages came to eat and socialize. Some went fishing or boat riding while others tasted the snacks and grabbed cool beverages from the "palm tree".

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July was busy with the annual trip to Captain John's on Cobb Island. Two boat loads of members and friends took the scenic cruise to dinner, filled their bellies and enjoyed the sometimes rough trip home.

Once Fall arrived, the social season continued with the annual Crab and Shrimp Feast. How much food can 60 participants provide in addition to the crabs, shrimp and soda? Toward the end, we wrapped up with 2 races (Dahlgren Cup and Under the Guns regatta) and the annual Pasture Party at the home of Susan Harding and Dennis Hannick. Our thanks to them for their continued support for the party and bonfire!

2009 begins with the banquet being moved off Base and in to Fredericksburg with entertainment being provided by the son of DYC members, Bryan Cameron. It has been a pleasure being the Social Governor this year. I cannot express my gratitude enough for those of you who stepped in and helped with the planning, cooking, serving, and clean-up during each event as well as moving furniture at the Crab Feast. I look forward to more activities next year.

"A lot of people ask me if I were shipwrecked, and could only have one book, what would it be? I always say "How to Build a Boat"
- Stephen Wright

Training & Seamanship: Joe Caro Provided the following input:

A recreational boating safety course was conducted in June. Attended by 10 students this course proved to be a great success. Special thanks must be expressed to all who helped make this convening possible including the folks at BAE Systems for providing the facility, U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, Colonial Beach Flotilla 14-05, Mr. Jack Dawson, for providing the instructors.

This year again proved to be a greater challenge for me than I could have imagined. I want to say a special thank you to all the Governors and other volunteers that really make it happen around here. "Thank You".

Racing Governor: Denis Bessette Provided the following input:

**Race Governor's Year End Report
2008**

DYC had a very successful racing season. Three Monday night PHRF racing series were held and three Thursday night Dingy series were held. In addition there were four PHRF events on the weekends. Many of the weekend events attracted participation of yachts from Colonial Beach and Cobb Island. The racing was close and competitive which made it interesting for all.

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Contacts were established by the race governor with representatives of the Middle Potomac Sailing Association and the weekend schedule was coordinated. We plan to continue this relationship in the future as it helps all local sailors find suitable sailing events during the entire sailing season. The weekend events by DYC and the Middle Potomac Sailing association have attracted a number of sailors who have not raced before.

We are looking forward to another wonderful year of racing in 2009. I am encouraging those sailors who have not participated in racing to try out one of our weekend events. It is a good excuse to get out on the water and enjoy a day with family and friends.

Annual Awards

Most Improved –	Portsmouth - Rex Butler
Don Quixote	Lola – Dennis Hannick
Dahlgren Cup	Night Moose – Josh Colwell
High Points Laser	First Place - Bruce Gosse Second Place – Dave Shuttleworth Third Place – Lee Cochrane
High Points Portsmouth	First Place – Bruce Gosse Second Place – Rex Butler Third Place – John Bubb
High Points PHRF	First Place - Blue Heaven, Tom Owen Second Place - Night Moose, Josh Colwell Third Place – Lola, Dennis Hannick
Forster Cup	Bruce Gosse

Newsletter: Ron Cox Provided the following input.

RANGE MARKS was published six times in 2008. E-mail was the primary method of distribution. It is absolutely necessary that members notify DYC of e-mail address changes to be sure they receive RANGE MARKS and other DYC announcements.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was discussed

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NEW BUSINESS

Paul Lusher brought up the issue of the Guest Pass regulations and requested that the BOG consider allowing dependent children and spouse of DYC members to have a DYC membership card to ensure access to the base (due to changes in the base access policy).

Election of Board of Governors for 2009:

The slate of candidates was introduced.

The Commodore asked if there were any "nominations from the floor".

There were no nominations.

A Motion to Close Nominations was made, seconded and passed.

A Motion to Approve the Nominations for the 2009 DYC BOG was made, seconded and approved; the candidates were elected by voice vote.

The DYC Board of Governors for 2009 will be;

Darrel Webb	Commodore
Roger Poole	Vice Commodore & Webmaster
Henry Hubbard	Treasurer
Keith Ofsowitz	Secretary
Paul Schaeffer	DockMaster
Thom Price	Assistant DockMaster
Tim Jaynes	Membership
Ann Lusher	Social Governor
Denis Bessette	Race Governor
Joe Carro	Training and Seamanship
Ron Cox	Newsletter
Joe Futcher	ExOfficio

The next DYC BOG meeting for the 2009 DYC BOG is tentatively scheduled for the 2nd Tuesday of February (10 February) at 1700 at the DYC DockHouse.

The meeting adjourned at 1546