

## **FHYC General Meeting (Virtual)**

**Thursday September 10, 2020**

Commodore Ritchie Thomson called the meeting to order at 19:30 hrs. He welcomed all members attending and led them in the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence for all who have died in the current pandemic.

He thanked Adrian Vergot for setting up the Virtual Meeting. There were 55 sign-ups meaning 100 members attending.

Commodore Thomson gave an update on the Covid-19 status in Craven County. The infection rate has plateaued at a little under of 200 cases. This is uncomfortably high – higher than any period in the past. He urged all to keep wearing our masks, to wash our hands often and to keep practicing social distancing.

Joe Pica introduced our speaker Jon Horton. He is the VP Sales Manager at Jack Martin and Ass. Ins. He presented an excellent program on Marine Insurance and thoroughly explained various coverages. The presentation is posted on the FHYC website.

Ritchie welcomed our visitors and introduced our newest members Andrew and Tracie Underhill. He congratulated the Tridicos (35 yrs.), The Meyers (15yrs.), the Fortenbaughs (15 yrs.), the Beerys (10 yrs.) and the Smiths (5 yrs.) on their FHYC membership anniversaries. He reminded members that e-mails will go out mid-September for Membership Renewal for 2021.

Secretary Yvonne Meissner asked and received approval of the August General Meeting Minutes as published on the FHYC website.

Sherry Pendleton, treasurer, had received approval from the Board for the Financial Statements through August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020. They are published on the FHYC website.

Past Commodore, Ralph Azersky, reported that the Board had approved the proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the FHYC. This will be circulated to

all members and will be voted on at the October General Meeting. The slate for 2021 is well developed although a Treasurer is still being sought.

Rear Commodore Barbara Robinson reported that there was no activity from Hospitality, or any update on replacing ATON "15" in Spring Creek by the POA. In the meantime, the Maintenance Committee will place a temporary green float at the position of ATON "15". The newly approved Property Committee will be chaired by Erin Vergot for the remainder of 2020. The Rear Commodore will serve as the liaison for this Committee.

The Education Committee will be giving a virtual presentation on The Use of VHF Marine Radio on September 11<sup>th</sup>, at 9:00 am.

A "Medical Minute" was presented by Dr. Joel Berberich. He gave an excellent explanation on the reasons to get a flu shot. He encourages all to get vaccinated.

Vice Commodore Adrian Vergot, reminded members that the deadline for the Semaphore articles to be submitted is Monday at noon. He made an appeal for members to step up and fill the vacant Committee Chairs; one for the Yearbook and one for the Education Committee.

Phil Katz has several cruises planned for the rest of this year.

Equinox Cruise to South River – September 21 – 22.

Full Moon Cruise to Clubfoot Creek – October 1 – 2.

Shallow Draft Day Cruise to Latham Whitehurst Park – in October. Tbd.

Cape Lookout Cruise 4 – 5 days in November. Tbd.

Baldhead Island Cruise – under consideration.

Regatta Chair, Georgie Jackson reported that Sunfish Races will start September 13<sup>th</sup> and will run through October 24<sup>th</sup>. PRO Joan Wilson. Fun Races has had an average of 6 – 8 boats turnout. The Ensign races (sponsored by Blackbeard) have been cancelled for the fall series.

The Oar Race – celebrating the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Dunkirk will be held October 10<sup>th</sup>. PRO Doug King. An awards party with social distancing will be held at Red Sail Park at 5:00 pm.

Commodore Ritchie Thomson thanked all for coming up with ideas for keeping the Club running.

Rose Litke is organizing a "Fun Golf Outing" for Wednesday September 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 pm at Harbour Point Golf Club. Fee for 9 holes is \$15.00 and Dinner at \$15.00. E-mails to sign up will follow.

Adrian Vergot encourages all to send in their pictures for entries in the Photo of the Month competition to [FHYC-photos@hotmail.com](mailto:FHYC-photos@hotmail.com). Photos will be displayed before the start of the Virtual General Meetings and archived for history. This month's awards went to John Jackson of Wicked Good and a photo of Buddy Jewell.

Lois displayed the front of The Book of the Great Lockdown and will soon take orders at \$25.00 per copy. She announced the winners of the Cocktail Recipe competition; Craig Myler, George and Lynn Stateham, Janice Myler and Ritchie and Julia Thomson consecutively. For the remainder of the year she will post one of the recipes that were entered weekly.

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In the plans are a virtual Appreciation Event for October 22<sup>nd</sup>. In addition, a Virtual Picture Trivia event is planned on November 19<sup>th</sup>. Other events under consideration are Harbour Olympics, a Treasure Hunt and an Anything That Floats event.

Motion to adjourn (BR/JP) at 21:04 hrs.

Respectfully submitted

Yvonne Meissner

Secretary