

FLOUNDER BAT YACHT CLUB BRIDGE MEETING

Tuesday June 4, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 1:00

BRIDGE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Commodore Bob Higgins

Vice Commodore Nancy Hunting

Past Commodore Bill Stinson

Rear Commodore Barry Austin

Treasurer Kelly Gronholt

Secretary Jeanie Browne

Membership Chairman Jack Hutteball

Roster Chairman Vern Pittman

Nancy Hunting was approved as our new Vice Commodore. Nancy will fill the vacant Vice Commodore position and become Commodore at the Change of Command in October.

The minutes of the December 6, 2018 meeting were read and approved.

Each Bridge member gave a summary of their duties. Bill summarized Condo 18 Liaison's duties for Liaison Terry Browne.

Kelly reported a bank balance of \$3,308.38

Bob suggested that Nancy start her duties by sending the e-mail notices and reminders of our scheduled shoreside events. Bob will give Nancy a chip of all his e-mails for a reference. Bill provided a monthly timeline of the Club's annual activities.

The idea of having a Social Committee for shoreside activities was put on hold now that we have a Vice Commodore.

How to find a new Commodore for 2020: It was noted that since the Club began, the Vice Commodore's initial duties have increased substantially. New activities such as Spring Fling and the Christmas Charity have demanded considerable time and effort on behalf of the Vice Commodore.

Some changes have been made to ease those duties. At our 2018 Closing Day Annual Meeting, members were asked for a show of hands from those who support our Spring Fling. There being no support for the Spring Fling, our 2019 Spring Fling was cancelled.

Another change that reduced the Vice Commodore's duties was the change to monetary-only donations for our Christmas charity, rather than members buying individual gifts. Monetary-only donations increased the amount of donations.

Jeanie explained the background of why, how, and by whom the Christmas charity program began. The charity of choice is decided by the Commodore. The choice has been the Salvation Army for several years.

Member participation: Suggestions were made about ways to get more member participation in events and on the Bridge. Among those ideas were inviting club members to Bridge meetings to see how they are run and how easy it is to be involved, followed by a happy hour.

Cruises: Four boats are planning on attending the Garrison Bay Cruise. It is unknown how many have made a reservation for Fisherman Bay Cruise on the 4th. E-mail reminders need to be sent to members to get their reservations for the remaining cruises of this season. Reservations should be made asap for the Otter Bay Cruise July 9th-11th.

Open items:

Nancy will be in charge of organizing our Closing Day event on October 12th, with assistance from Bob and others, as needed.

Participation in the Christmas Boat Parades at Cap Sante and La Conner will be encouraged again this year.

Reaching out to other clubs for exchanges has been met with some success in that we have had some invitations to join in some clubs' activities.

New business:

Jack announced that an FBYC member has offered our club a dark leather sofa and two matching chairs, which would replace our tan sofa. After viewing the picture, the Bridge unanimously approved the offer.

Barry reported on the notice he received from Maple Bay Yacht Club, regarding reciprocal moorage requirements. Maple Bay Marina now requires a \$2million liability policy. A discussion ensued about other yacht club insurance requirements. It was noted that Nanaimo requires a \$1million dollar liability policy. Many reciprocal yacht clubs in Washington require from \$300,000-\$600,000 policies. We require a \$300,000 policy for every boat moored here and for reciprocals. Jack noted that about 1/3 of our office files do not have a record of insurance of boats moored here, and we do not have someone checking reciprocals, asking for proof of insurance.

Barry will update our webpage and Bob will send an e-mail to members to suggest they check the insurance liability requirements of a marina before arriving.

Meeting adjourned at 2:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeanie Browne, Secretary

