

## January

### January 2011 - COMBINED ABYC BOARD MEETING

The combined Board met on Saturday, January 8, 2011 at the ABYC Clubhouse at 10:30 a.m.

#### Present were:

Lorna Tweedie	Ivor Groves	Martha Robinson
Marc Lipsius	Maxie Glenn	Darlene Oosterhof
Gene Nicoloso	Henry Depew	

#### Not present were:

Bob Sherrod  
Carl Bjerregaard

#### Event Calendar

The first item of business was a review of the proposed event calendar for 2011. The calendar will be posted on the website.

Following a lunch break at noon, the formal meeting was called to order by Commodore Lorna Tweedie at 1310.

#### Scribe – Martha Robinson and Henry Depew

Henry Depew noted that articles for the Mark newsletter are requested each month by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as printed.

#### Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves

Ivor recommended that we wait until we have an interested sailor before we make the needed repairs to *Slippery When Wet*, a Harmony 22. Al Fletcher has offered to lease it to the club for \$1 year.

*Allegro* needs a bulkhead repair. Another option might be to sell the boat to a club member. Ivor recommends keeping the boat to race locally.

#### Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius

Marc reported that he has a list of tasks and repairs that need to be completed at the clubhouse.

One is to change the combination on the ABYC clubhouse doors, the ice machine and the pool gate. The Board members agreed upon the new combination and that it would be effective February 1, 2011. Maxie will send the new combination to all members with the annual/quarterly dues billing with a request that the combination be kept secure and not shared with non-members or children.

Marc will work with Al Oosterhof and Ed Fries to be sure the security system is working properly. Marc will purchase and replace AC filters every three months.

Marc will ensure that the website is working properly to reserve the club boats.

#### Purser - Maxie Glenn

Maxie reviewed the year-end financial status of ABYC. The equity share for 2011 is set at \$464. Maxie reported that she is working on a cleaning checklist and schedule to share with the housekeeper. This will take into account the meeting and social schedule for each month. Her report was accepted by the Board.

#### Senior Board Member - Gene Nicoloso

The January membership meeting will be held on Friday, January 14 at West Marine from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Phil Werdli will present a program on the architecture of Florida State Parks.

The February meeting will be held Saturday, February 5 at the ABYC clubhouse. The topic will be solar water heating systems. Attendance at meetings was good throughout 2010.

#### Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof

A Casino Night will be held Saturday, January 29 at the ABYC Clubhouse. Moses and Joan will provide the tables. Darlene will handle the food.

In February, Bob Parker is coordinating a special Wine Tasting for the February social.

Darlene noted that she will be recruiting members to host Changes in Attitudes socials each month.

### **Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Carl was not present but it was noted that he is attending the Gulf Yachting Association meeting. The Past Commodore is also chairman of the membership committee. Lorna will work with Carl to determine how to proceed with recruiting new members to the club.

### **Old Business**

There was no old business for discussion.

### **New Business**

Henry Depew conducted a survey of members via email to solicit suggestions for capital improvement projects at the clubhouse. The suggestions were kitchen, restrooms, an elevator, and a big screen TV.

Darlene and the social committee recommended some renovations to the kitchen to add a new cook top, new refrigerator and two ovens to make it easier to serve meals. The Board members also discussed some changes to bar area to make the bar service more efficient. The members discussed adding a portable bar to the porch for use during busy events, adding more shelving for storage and replacing the flooring.

The Board requested that Darlene provide more information on her ideas for the kitchen appliances, electrical work and carpentry work. It was estimated that these renovations might cost between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

It was agreed that we will have a workday to deal with basic restroom repairs. Ed Fries is currently working on approximately \$5,000 worth of dock repairs.

New Board members need to be fingerprinted. Maxie provided information and the receipts should be returned to her as soon as possible.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1505.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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### **February**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1540 on Saturday, February 5, 2011 at the home of Carl Bjerregaard.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Marc Lipsius, Maxie Glenn, Gene Nicoloso, Martha Robinson and Carl Bjerregaard.

**Not present:** Darlene Oosterhof.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

Ivor reported that there will be a Couples Dinghy race on Saturday, February 12. A PHRF Planning Day / Mark Repair day will be held on February 19 for those who would like to help. He seeks a volunteer to coordinate the Dinghy Race scheduled for March 5.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that he has completed a number of tasks on his list of repairs needed at the clubhouse. He has changed the combination on doors, the pool gate and the ice machine. He still needs to find the four digit combination for the lock on the pool pump gate. He is now the administrator for the two websites that are used to track reservations for *Kestrel* and the Flying Scot.

*Allegro* needs to have the bulkhead replaced. Ed has not yet started work on the dock repairs. Marc will look at lawn maintenance before the Spring Opening on March 12. Maxie will ask Promised Land Ministries to cut the lawn.

### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as printed in the February 2011 edition of The Mark.

Thank you notes were sent to Phil Werndli for presenting the January program and to Jim Clark at West Marine for hosting. Martha will send a thank you note to tonight's speaker, Viktor Razon, for his program on solar water heating.

**Purser - Maxie Glenn**

Maxie distributed the balance sheet and profit/loss statements for January 2011. Membership recruitment is important. We are down to 55 members. There are still a few who have not renewed, so it's possible that numbers may decline even more. There is a membership application that reflects the new Young Professional information on the ABYC web site.

**Senior Board Member - Gene Nicoloso**

The January membership meeting was held on Friday, January 14 at West Marine. Phil Werndli presented a program on the architecture of Florida State Parks.

The February meeting will be tonight at the ABYC clubhouse. The topic will be solar water heating systems.

Gene will contact someone from the Gulf Yachting Association to present a program on youth sailing activities for the March meeting.

**Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene was absent, but sent a written report.

The Social Committee is presently Pat Renovitch and Darlene. She plans to add one more member.

Martha Robinson volunteered to coordinate the Spring Opening on Saturday, March 12. Board members agreed on a noon ceremony that will include raising the flags and members shooting cannons. We will have Bloody Marys and Mimosas available at the bar along with soft drinks. Members will be invited to bring a potluck picnic and there will be croquet available for those who want to play.

A Casino Night was held Saturday, January 29 at the ABYC Clubhouse. Thirty people participated. Nuances in Taste, a tapas and wine social, will be held February 19.

Darlene and Carl have discussed the kitchen renovation project. She sent information on a portable bar. Marc will do more research and bring information to the next Board Meeting.

Joeann has purchased beer, wine and liquor from the distributor. We now have one case of Ste. Michelle Cabernet Sauvignon and one case of Ste. Michelle Chardonnay. We will start to sell those by the bottle. The Social Committee will set the price, but the Board recommends \$20. We will promote this in The Mark starting in March for the Commodore's Ball on March 26.

Maxie recommended tabling the discussion on using chits to sell drinks at the bar. We will investigate this option at another time.

**Past Commodore - Carl Bjerregaard**

Carl has been talking with a prospective member. He also reported that he was impressed with the year-round youth sailing activities at the Gulf Yachting Association meeting. Gene is working to schedule someone to talk with the ABYC members about their program.

The Board discussed our Adult Sailing lessons and Youth Sailing lessons. He recommends expanding the youth sailing program for the summer and advertising in local newspapers for recruitment. We'll need instructors. Carl will talk with Phil Werndli about the Youth Sailing Foundation and report at next month's meeting on what he learns. We will form a subcommittee to work out the details.

The Board received an email from Dave Damon requesting that the ABYC sponsor a new Venture Scout group that will focus on sailing. We have questions and need more information before we can make a decision. Carl will invite Dave to attend the next Board meeting in March at Maxie's house.

**New Business**

Lorna reported that she and Sue Ross have discussed a possible Nautical Market to be held this spring. Sue will look at the ABYC calendar and recommend a date.

The Board discussed a letter received by the Stephen C. Smith Regatta Foundation postmarked

January 24, 2011. It was decided that no action would be taken.

Marc will talk with Ron Piasecki about replacing the fabric on the lounge chairs before the pool season begins in May.

Martha will draft a basic letter for Maxie to send to any member who resigns their membership.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1740.

Respectfully submitted,  
Martha J. Robinson  
Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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### **March**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1700 on Saturday, March 5, 2011 at the home of Maxine Glenn.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Marc Lipsius, Maxie Glenn, Darlene Oosterhof and Martha Robinson.

**Not present:** Gene Nicoloso and Carl Bjerregaard.

#### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

Ivor reported that the marks are painted and ready to be replaced on the race course.

#### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that he has completed a number of tasks on his list of repairs needed at the clubhouse. He has repaired a leaking hose on the dock. The outboard motor used on the *Kestrel* is in the shop for repairs. It was decided to use a table instead of buying a portable bar for the wine sales at the Commodores' Ball. Darlene will recruit a bartender to sell the wine. The Board agreed that Marc would purchase four new lounge chairs for the pool deck and recycle the existing chairs. The new ones are \$176 for two at Wal Mart.

#### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as printed in the March 2011 edition of The Mark.

A thank you note was sent to Vicktor Razon for his program in February on Solar Water Heating.

#### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

Maxie distributed the Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss statements for February 2011. Two or three members have not yet paid their dues. She will send a hand-written note to each. Ted and Brandy Cowley-Gilbert donated and planted the plants in front of the club, insisting that this be their donation since they cannot participate in club work days because of their nursery. We should recognize this donation in The Mark.

The Board approved two new members: Donald Willis and E.J. Campbell/Ryan Duggins.

#### **Senior Board Member - Gene Nicoloso**

Gene Nicoloso was absent. There will not be a program.

#### **Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that the Social Committee has added a third member. The committee members are Pat Renovitch, Lynn Groves and Darlene.

The Spring Opening is scheduled for March 12. Carl B. will be recruited to supervise the scouts, who will raise the flag. John Hamilton will fire his cannon. A potluck lunch will follow with croquet on the lawn.

The Board discussed the Steven C. Smith Regatta and the program draft that was sent by Linda Downey. We discussed hosting a Friday night dinner, but do not yet have a host. Don Reeder will organize the racing activities on Saturday. The clubhouse will be available for the

dinner on Saturday night. March 14 is the deadline for changes to the program.

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

No report.

**New Business**

None.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1749.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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**April**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1540 on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at the home of Maxine Glenn.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Marc Lipsius, Maxie Glenn, Darlene Oosterhof, Martha Robinson, Carl Bjerregaard and Scott Robinson.

**Not present:** Ivor Groves.

**New Board Member:**

It was moved that we accept Scott Robinson to finish the term of Senior Board Member Gene Nicoloso, who resigned. The motion carried and Scott Robinson was officially welcomed to the Board.

**Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

In the absence of the Vice Commodore, it was reported that two boats participated in the day's PHRF race. The next race is April 16.

**Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that the motor for the *Kestral* is at the repair shop waiting for parts. The refrigerator at the bar in the clubhouse is not working properly. The Rear Commodore has purchased four lounge chairs for the pool deck. It was decided to open the pool. Marc will contact the pool service and the Department of Health to let them know. The dock repairs were discussed and it was determined that Marc would contact Ed Fries to determine a date for the work to begin.

**Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as printed in the April 2011 edition of The Mark.

A thank you note was sent to the Harrells for bringing the Boy Scouts to the Spring Opening to conduct the Flag Raising Ceremony.

**Purser - Maxie Glenn**

Maxie distributed the Balance Sheet and Profit/Loss statements for March 2011.

Two applications have been received for membership. Applications for Frank Gazioch and Michael Getman have been posted at the clubhouse. The board will vote in May.

**Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

Ashley Sukalski from the St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club and the Gulf Yachting Association will present tonight on their youth sailing activities.

Scott indicated he would secure a speaker for the next meeting and the future meetings.

**Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that the Social Committee considered the wine sales to be successful at the Commodore's Ball. A table will be set up on the porch for large events with more than 40 attendees, such as the Awards Banquet and the Holiday Party. Ten bottles of wine were sold.

The Board decided to wait on the kitchen renovations, pending the dock repairs.

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

No report.

## **New Business**

Adult and Youth Sailing – An instructor has been secured for the youth sailing camps this summer.

Captain's licenses – Scott will contact the Sea School and discuss offering the captain's license training at ABYC.

Lorna reported that it had been suggested that we hold a joint social or sailing program with the St. Marks Yacht Club.

Martha volunteered to work with B Zimmerman to re-create the ABYC brochure and have it ready before the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta.

Maxie reported that she had been approached by a local high school student, who has offered to collect our recycling materials and take them to the recycle center. The Board approved paying up to \$10 per month for such a service.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1738.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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## **May**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1540 on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at the home of Maxine Glenn.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Marc Lipsius, Maxie Glenn, Darlene Oosterhof, Martha Robinson, Carl Bjerregaard and Scott Robinson.

**Not present:** Ivor Groves.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

In the absence of the Vice Commodore, it was reported that 12 boats participated in the PHRF race at the Stephen C. Smith Memorial Regatta. Six boats participated in today's Puffin race.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that the dock repairs should be complete by mid-May.

*Allegro*, one of the club's boat, lost a propeller during the Smith Regatta. The replacement and new pins will cost approximately \$100.00. Marc will handle.

The Board approved a motion to authorized Marc to spend up to \$1,000 to purchase a new engine for the *Kestral*. It was decided to not spend additional funds on the current engine. Marc will discuss the purchase with Phil Werndli to determine the most economical way to proceed.

Phil Werndli will be asked to reimburse Steve Augustine from the Youth Sailing Foundation account for the \$200 he has already spent on the engine.

Marc reported the clubhouse was not properly closed after the last exercise class. Scott Robinson volunteered to create appropriate signage for each exit to remind people to close and lock doors and turn off the lights and fans.

The pool is now open. Marc will request that the pool to be cleaned on Thursdays or Fridays to prepare for weekend use during the summer. The pool permit is displayed in the bulletin board. Marc will replace the rules sign inside the pool deck.

### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the previous meetings were approved as printed in the May 2011 edition of *The Mark*.

A thank you note was sent to the Ashley Sukalski (through Facebook) for her program on youth sailing activities at the St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club and the Gulf Yachting Association.

### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

The Federal 990 Annual Tax Return for the club has been completed and is available for review from the purser upon request.

Balance Sheets and Profit/Loss statements for April 2011 were not prepared.

Maxie asked that Marc help determine the ownership of all the boats on the dinghy dock. We need to be sure we are collecting appropriately.

*Vendor Issues* – Ben Remke has asked that we separate the recyclables before he hauls them to the recycling center. Lorna will contact Dana to discuss the housekeeping at the Club. Quantum has not been picking up all the garbage even though we pay more. Maxie will continue to investigate.

*New members:* Membership for Frank Gazioch was approved by the Board after posting the application at the Club for one month. Maxine will send a letter to Ryan Duggans and EJ Campbell. They co-own their boat but their membership must be separate. Membership for Michael Getman was approved by the Board after posting the application at the Club for one month. The Board withheld a vote on the membership application for Michael Kolski. His application did not contain complete and accurate information. Marc will contact him.

**Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that \$165 was raised at the Nautical Flea Market. Reservations are due to John McBride for the Mullet Dinner to be held on May 20 before the Mullet Cup race to Dog Island. There will be a CIA on May 28. Martha and Scott have agreed to host a poolside social on June 18. People will bring their own main course and the Club will provide the sides and dessert. There will be a CIA on June 25. It was suggested that the Club hold a dinghy race on July 4. We do not yet know the fireworks schedule. Lorna suggested that we seek volunteers to decorate a golf cart to participate in the Golf Cart Parade. The clubhouse will be the location for a Regatta wrap up party.

**Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

No report. David Moody from the St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge will present tonight's program.

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

No report.

**New Business**

B Zimmerman has donated a portable bar for Club to use for the wine sales during events.

On April 26 Marc was present for a surprise inspection from an officer from the state's Department of Business and Professional Regulation. The Club's alcoholic beverage license (ruled by F.S. 561.14) states that all alcohol on the premises must be purchased from licensed distributors.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1756.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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**June**

The ABYC Board met on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. A quorum not being present, no business was conducted.

Respectively submitted,

C. Henry Depew for Scribe Martha Robinson

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## **July**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1535 on Saturday, July 9, 2011 at the home of Darlene Oosterhof.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Marc Lipsius, Martha Robinson, Scott Robinson, Darlene Oosterhof and Carl Bjerregaard.

**Not present:** Ivor Groves and Maxie Glenn.

### **Membership**

The Board members present voted to accept the membership applications for Saul and Brandi Levy and Dustin Kanagy. Their membership privileges begin immediately.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

No report.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that the dock repairs are underway. So far, ABYC has paid approximately \$3,000 for materials.

The outboard motor on the *Kestrel* has been replaced. Members who want to use the boat should bring their own 4-cycle fuel and should flush the engine with fresh water every time it is used.

Some members have started using the power boat for some activities. Marc agreed to create a sign-out process for this vessel.

Michael Getman has started repainting the flagpole. Scott will talk with him about the timeline for finishing the project.

### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the May 2011 meetings were approved as printed in the *The Mark*. There were no minutes for June since there was not a quorum.

### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

Balance Sheets and Profit/Loss statements dated July 3, 2011 were accepted as mailed to the Board Members.

### **Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

There will not be a speaker tonight. Scott will lead the membership in a boating update and discuss member travels, purchases, boat repairs and more.

A representative from the Coast Guard Auxiliary is scheduled to speak at the August membership meeting.

Scott has talked further with the Sea School representatives about offering a course for the Captain's license. The facility where the class is to be held must be ADA-compliant. It was suggested that we consider the Shell Point Fire Station or the Coast Guard Auxiliary building. There must be 12 people to offer the class.

Scott reported that he talked with a representative at the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms regarding the liquor license. They faxed him a copy of the sketch of ABYC that shows the areas where we may sell alcohol. It was also clarified that we must purchase all alcohol from an approved distributor.

### **Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that 26 people attended the Fourth of July social. Beth Hamilton will host the July CIA on the last Saturday. On August 20 the club will hold an ice cream social. Members should bring a topping to be judged in a contest. The club will provide vanilla ice cream.

### **Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Brooks Johnson has submitted an application for membership. It will be posted at the club tonight. Carl will invite him to attend the CIA so members can meet him.

Brooks Johnson and six to eight other people have expressed interest in an adult sailing class. Carl will work with Frank Hankins to schedule a class, possibly in August.

### **New Business**

Lorna recommended recognizing Jim McGill for serving on the race committee for the dinghy

rices. It was suggested having a trophy for him at the Vice Commodore's Banquet.

At the request of Mary Van Sciver, we will add a question/answer section to the Scuttlebutt column written by Marcia Bjerregaard. Questions or comments may be sent to Marcia.

There will be one more Youth Sailing class this summer, July 11 to 15. The July 18-22 class was cancelled due to lack of enrollment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1725.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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## **August**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1530 on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at the ABYC clubhouse.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Marc Lipsius, Martha Robinson and Scott Robinson.

**Not present:** Ivor Groves, Maxie Glenn, Darlene Oosterhof and Carl Bjerregaard.

Associate member Jim Lambeth has resigned his membership but has requested to leave his boat at the dock for an extra month, through September 1. The Board members present agreed to charge him his standard dock rental fee plus \$50 for a one month membership. Marc will talk with Maxie and let Jim know the decision.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

No report.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Marc is working to repair the exit lights inside the clubhouse. Marc is also working to repair the lock on the sliding glass door. It was agreed that ABYC would buy a new refrigerator for the bar. Marc will check with Maxie, he and Scott will purchase and deliver, and Marc will install the lock.

On the flagpole project, it was agreed that Michael Getman has until September 1 to finish the project. Otherwise, we will schedule a workday to complete the mast painting.

### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

No report.

### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the July 2011 meetings were approved by the members present as printed in *The Mark*.

### **Senior Board Member - Scott Robinson**

There will not be a speaker tonight. We will offer the membership the option between socializing and/or playing bingo. A representative from the Coast Guard Auxiliary is scheduled to speak at the September membership meeting.

### **Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

No report.

However, on August 20 the club will hold an ice cream social hosted by Steve and Mary VanSciver. Members should bring a topping to be judged in a contest. The Club will provide vanilla ice cream. John and Nell Johnston will host the CIA on August 27.

### **Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

No report.

### **New Business**

Marc Lipsius proposed a change in the membership categories. He would like to require participation in club activities during the associate year. He proposed changing the title of that year to a provisional membership. Other Board members encouraged Marc to draft a written proposal since this will require bylaws and constitutional changes.

The Board members present voted to accept the membership application for Brooks Johnson. His membership privileges begin immediately.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1645.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Martha J. Robinson  
Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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## **September**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1540 on Saturday, September 10, 2011 at the ABYC clubhouse.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Marc Lipsius, Martha Robinson, Scott Robinson and Carl Bjerregaard.

**Not present:** Maxie Glenn and Darlene Oosterhof.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

The PHRF racing series for the fall started today. An introductory discussion was held for new racers before the skippers' meeting. Five Harmony boats raced. A dinghy race will be held next Saturday, September 17 at 1 p.m.

An Adult Sailing Class will be offered on Saturday and Sunday, September 24-25. Fifteen people have expressed interest. Members who own Harmonys and others will be asked to help.

The Vice Commodore's Regatta and Dinner will be held on Saturday, October 8.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

The lock on the sliding glass door has been repaired. The Board has authorized Marc to replace the exit light fixtures. There has been some progress on the flagpole project, but it is not yet complete. Marc agreed to call Michael Getman. The Board authorized the purchase of a refrigerator (up to \$500). Marc will look into commercial quality units without a freezer. Marc will replace the bulbs in the florescent light fixtures in the kitchen that are malfunctioning.

### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

No report.

### **Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the August 2011 meetings were approved as printed in *The Mark*.

### **Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

Bob Asztalos, Flotilla Commander of Flotilla 12, US Coast Guard Auxiliary will be the presenter tonight. The October speaker is undetermined, but there are several options. November is the Annual Meeting. The presenter in December will be Ed Wiser, who will present the program that was scheduled in June.

### **Junior Board Member - Darlene Oosterhof**

No report but we were asked to look at *The Mark* for September activities.

The hostess for tonight is Alice Lindquist. The Supper Safari will be held Saturday, September 24. Reservations are required. There will be no CIA this month.

### **Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Carl recommended a follow up sailing regatta on October 1 for the youths that participated in the Junior Sailing Camp this past summer and for the previous couple of summers. Carl will work with Phil Werndli and Michael Getman on the logistics (names and contact, vessels, abilities, etc.). RSVP required. This will give us an opportunity to introduce the parents to the Club and invite them to join. This first race will be FREE for the youths. There will be a skippers' meeting at noon.

### **New Business**

Scott Robinson will continue to pursue the Captain's License course with Sea School. The facility must be ADA-accessible.

Marc Lipsius proposed a change in the membership categories. He would like to require

participation in club activities during the associate year and call the membership a provisional membership. Scott proposed a more concerted effort to involve members in club activities – racing, social, work projects, etc. Sponsors would be asked to help with this.

Martha Robinson reported that she has started a Twitter account and Facebook account for ABYC. She will work with Henry Depew to send an email to the membership with the details.

Ivor Groves reported that he has information about a possible elevator for the clubhouse. The Board agreed that we should look at the company and determine if it was appropriate for ABYC.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1605.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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## **October**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1536 on Saturday, October 1, 2011 at the home of Maxie Glenn.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Marc Lipsius, Martha Robinson, Maxie Glenn, Scott Robinson, Darlene Oosterhof and Carl Bjerregaard.

**Not present:** Ivor Groves.

### **Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

The Vice Commodore was absent. It was reported that today's dinghy race was cancelled due to high winds.

### **Junior Board Member – Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that the Safari Supper went well and the hosts did a good job. The Vice Commodore's Regatta and Dinner will be held October 8. The CIA will be held October 29.

### **Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

Darlene asked about the kitchen renovation. She will bring completed plans to the December 2011 Board meeting for consideration.

The dock upgrade is nearly complete. Marc reported that another finger dock needs to be attached properly. This will cost \$250 plus the stainless steel hoop. The board members approved this cost.

A new refrigerator was delivered this week. The old one was moved downstairs. The exit lights have not been repaired yet. The Flying Scot needs a repair to the mast. The VHF radio on Kestrel is not working and needs to be replaced.

### **Purser - Maxie Glenn**

The September financial statements were distributed.

The financial statements for July, August and September were approved as submitted.

Maxie reported that the Notice of Proposed Property Taxes came from Wakulla County. The market value of the clubhouse for 2011 is \$243,258, a decrease of 12.5 percent from 2010. Proposed taxes for 2011 are \$4220.05, \$600 less than last year.

Maxie reported that she is requesting back door service for the recycling/garbage pickup. She will confirm the price.

Over the summer, two shipments of mail were lost. Maxie is following up on invoices expected that were not received. Next summer, it is proposed that we scan items and email instead of mailing. We may need to recruit an assistant. There was also a problem with email billing. Again, Maxie will follow up with members who may have been affected.

Landon Allen has submitted an application for membership. His application will be posted at the club.

Maxie will prepare a membership report for the next meeting.

**Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the September 2011 meetings were approved as printed in *The Mark*.

**Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

Steve and Mary VanSciver will present tonight on the Sights and Sounds of New Zealand. The presenter in December will be Ed Wisner, who will present the program that was scheduled in June.

It was approved that we accept the donation of a ceiling-mounted screen from the VanScivers.

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Fifteen summer youth sailors were invited to the cancelled dinghy race. One RSVPed but cancelled at the last minute. It was agreed to hold a Saturday regatta right after the sailing camp next summer.

The Adult Sailing Class had 23 students. The sailing was followed by the buck a beer at the clubhouse. Scott mentioned that the Boca Ciega Yacht Club advertised in Southwinds that they offer a three-month membership that includes a sailing class. Scott proposed a similar membership as a pilot project. He also proposed that the skippers follow up with the students on their vessels during the class. \$90 in donations were received for the Community Sailing Association. The Board approved crediting Frank Hankins' account for the students' drinks at the buck a beer, as his guests.

The Commodore appointed Scott to chair a committee to explore the membership options.

**New Business**

Lorna reported that the nominating committee, consisting of Lorna Tweedie, Carl Bjerregaard and Phil Werndli will present a proposed slate of office for 2012 at the membership meeting later today.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1726.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha J. Robinson

Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe

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**November**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1610 on Saturday, November 5, 2011 at the home of Maxie Glenn.

**Present:**

Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Marc Lipsius, Darlene Oosterhof, Carl Bjerregaard, Maxie Glenn, & Henry Depew (for Scribe)

**Not Present:**

Scott Robinson, Martha Robinson

**Membership Applications**

Two membership applications for Associate Member status have been posted at the clubhouse. A motion was made and seconded to approve the applications. The motion passed. The new members are:

Hubertus (Huub) Weijers & Annet Forkink

Landon Allen

Two additional membership applications for Associate Member have been received and posted. These applications were considered and a motion was made to approve after being posted for 30 days (11/30/11) unless objections were raised for:

John Newton, II & Eva McElvy

Mark & Sandra Greenfield

**Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

Ivor reported that the PHRF racing series was over and that the VC Regatta races were

included in today's racing. Ivor noted that the success of the Adult Sailing class in both recruiting new members and getting more people interested in sailing means that ABYC should try to hold such a class every six months.

**Rear Commodore – Marc Lipsius**

Marc reported that Club's powerboat is unusable (the foam flotation is waterlogged and will not dry out properly) and will have to be junked. Phil is looking for a replacement boat. There was some discussion about restricting the replacement powerboat to Club only activities. A motion was made, seconded, and passed that

“While the Club sailboats will be available to qualified members, the Club's powerboat will only be available for Club purposes.”

After some discussion of the use of the parking area at the Clubhouse for various purposes by both members and the Club, a motion was made, seconded, and passed that:

“A member may park a boat on a trailer in the parking lot for a maximum of six (6) months.”

The Harmony's outboard has some minor problems that Marc hopes to have fixed shortly. The flag mast is painted and back up (raised with the assistance of those present for the Skippers' Meeting). The dock repair is completed.

The pool will be closed later this month (Ivor will post the signs).

**Purser – Maxie Glenn**

Maxie presented the financial statement for the Board to review. ABYC has two major expenditures (insurance and property tax) yet to be paid this year. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept her report.

**Junior Board Member – Darlene Oosterhof**

The last two socials of 2011 are the Awards Banquet and the Christmas Party.

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Carl would like to do a follow-up on the Adult Sailing class (23 participants). Henry will get the list from Frank Hankins and send them a copy of *THE MARK* as a beginning of this effort.

**New Business:**

After some consideration, the Board voted on who should receive the Silent Sailor Award. Also considered was what ABYC could do to recognize the considerable work contributed by Jim McGill to the Puffin races.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1730.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Henry Depew – for the Scribe

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**December**

Commodore Lorna Tweedie called the Board meeting of the Apalachee Bay Yacht Club to order at 1540 on Saturday, December 10, 2011 at the home of Maxine Glenn.

**Present:** Lorna Tweedie, Ivor Groves, Marc Lipsius, Martha Robinson, Maxie Glenn, Scott Robinson, Darlene Oosterhof and Carl Bjerregaard. Incoming Jr. Board member Mary VanSciver joined the group.

**Vice Commodore – Ivor Groves**

The Vice Commodore had no report.

**Rear Commodore - Marc Lipsius**

The Rear Commodore reported that he has repaired two minor issues with Allegro. He has also discovered several issues with the Kestral. The Board members agreed to form a subcommittee to develop a checklist for use of each vessel owned by the Club, to create a process for members to use in getting authorization to use a Club-owned vessel and set a regular maintenance and inspection schedule. It was agreed that the subcommittee would report back within two months (February 2012). Subcommittee members are Marc Lipsius, Ivor Groves,

Scott Robinson, Frank Hankins and Carl Bjerregaard.

The Rear Commodore reported that the flood lights are not working in front of the clubhouse.

Maxie Glenn reported that she received an inspection report for the swimming pool in the mail. It was noted that the inspector did not have access to inspect the restrooms and that the "Pool Rules" sign was not posted. Mark reported that the pool is closed for the season and he will put up the "Closed" sign on the gate. He will insure that the timer is changed so the pool runs for approximately five hours at night to keep the pipes from freezing.

**Scribe – Martha Robinson**

The minutes of the November 2011 Board Meeting and the Annual Meeting were approved as printed in *The Mark*.

**Purser - Maxie Glenn**

The November financial statements were distributed and approved. Maxie reported that the property taxes and insurance have been paid so the available funds in the checking account are low until dues collections begin in January.

Maxie agreed to look at the Waste Pro pick up of garbage and recycling to ensure that services are delivered appropriately.

John and Susan Meerman have submitted an application for membership. Their application will be posted at the clubhouse.

**Senior Board Member – Scott Robinson**

Ed Wiser will present tonight on James H. Tomb, Torpedo Boat Captain of the Confederacy.

The January meeting is on the 13<sup>th</sup> at West Marine. The program will be about infrared technology.

The screen donated by the van Scivers will be mounted parallel to the west wall.

**Junior Board Member – Darlene Oosterhof**

Darlene reported that the Christmas Party hosted by Lee Chubb went very well. A new Christmas tree was purchased.?? Marcia Bjerregaard will host a New Years Eve Party at the club on December 31 that will begin at 9 p.m.

Susan and Tony Rizzo helped with serving and cleanup after the Christmas party. Maxie will examine the payment and adjust if needed.

January dates:

Sunday, January 1 – Will Glenn Frostbite Regatta, 1 p.m.

Sunday, January 1 – Hoppin Johns at the clubhouse, following the race

Saturday, January 7 – Joint Board Retreat, 9:30 a.m. at the clubhouse

Friday, January 13 - Membership Meeting at West Marine

Saturday, January 28 – Social at the clubhouse

**Past Commodore – Carl Bjerregaard**

Member applicants John and Susan Meerman will attend tonight.

Mentors should be assigned to other new members: Landon Allen and John Newman to get them involved in sailing and social activities. Carl recommended scheduling an Adult Sailing Class for the spring and following up with the youth sailors from last summer with a regatta in June. The Board discussed developing a year-round program for youth sailing.

**New Business**

Ivor reported that he would conduct some research on a possible elevator lift for the clubhouse.

Lorna shared her "thanks" for the support other Board members have provided over the last two years.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1708.

Respectfully submitted,  
Martha J. Robinson  
Apalachee Bay Yacht Club Scribe