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September 2009

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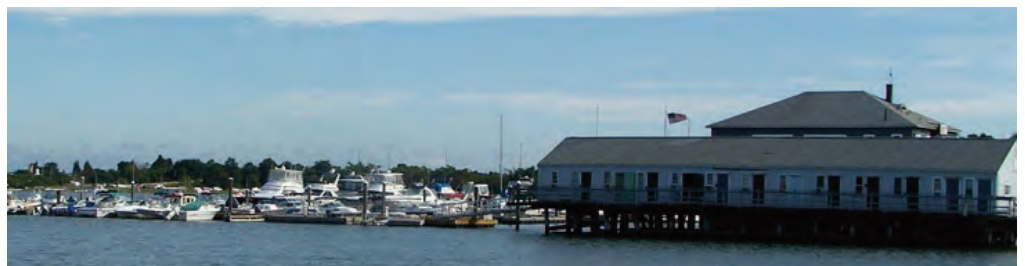
It looks like fall is here and we made it though another season with-out a major disaster. Seemed like a very short summer but we have no control on things like the weather. The fall brings the election season and we've elected a nominating committee so any one interested in helping run the club should contact someone on the committee. They are George Salah, Mark Mirabito, John Steele, Ryan Mirabito, Dan Quigely and Jack Lewis. All of the committees can use your help, along with any ideas to make things run smoother and more efficiently.

Football season has started and with the purchase of the new TV and the donation of the surround sound from John Foley, I'm looking forward to some afternoon games with plenty to eat and drink in the company of friends. We should have a few cook-outs before the weather turns nasty. The Fall also means the bills will be going out soon. Don't forget your dues are due by November 30th or you are out. If you have a hardship or problem you must appear before the Board of Directors at the November 5th board meeting.

It is also time to check on your mandatory work hours and make sure you have your slip to send in with your dues. I would also like to remind the membership that the security watches have begun and the hours are 7 pm to 11 pm. The fine for a missed watch is \$100, so pay attention or pay money. You can get someone else to do your scheduled watch for you or swap with some one, but it is your responsibility to see that some one is there. The watches are scheduled well in advance and can't be changed. People that have a problem with this or their work hours need to talk to the Board of Directors about it. Also if you are 65 years old and show us proof you will be excused from the security watches and mandatory work hours. I know of a few who meet that criteria, but still contribute greatly to the club and I thank them for their help.

I've seen some of the boats on the floats without spring lines on them. Spring lines help preserve the floats—without them your boat could damage the finger floats and main floats, especially with the weather getting a little windier. There is also a fine for not having one on your boat.

Well as always, please be careful coming and going from the club.



**Dorchester Yacht Club - Board of Directors Meeting
September 3, 2009**

Paul Polito called the meeting called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Officers and Directors present: Paul Polito, Dan Campbell, Bill Rizzi, Lee Perry, Steve Cavanaugh, Jack Donegan, Committee Chairmen present: Bob Bailey

Directors Absent: Ray Tomasini, Bob Mirabito, Frank Antonelli

Minutes: Minutes of August 22, 2009 meeting were read and approved.

Treasurer: Normal bills received and paid for the month of August, including the club's ground pollution coverage in the amount of \$990. This fee which was more than last year's \$800, included a new inspection fee charge this year that was not in last year. The inspection fee should occur every 2 years. The balance in the bank is ~\$60,000.00. There are a couple of small outstanding bills, including one to Sullivan and Sullivan, our attorneys, for \$1128.00. Lee was told to go ahead and pay the bill.

Committee Reports

There were no committee reports except from Outboard Float chair Bob Bailey, who reported that everything was shipshape.

Unfinished business:

Two members who are delinquent on bills were discussed, and will be reminded about these bills owed. A probationary member who did not complete required work hours will be billed for the remaining hours.

Jack Darling is doing the membership cards; consensus was that we should have him do next year's as well, and have them ready for the beginning of the year.

The proposal to raise certain fees was briefly discussed. This will be put before the club members at the general membership meeting on September 10 for discussion and vote.

New Business:

No new business.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

**Regular Meeting of the Dorchester Yacht Club
September 10, 2009**

Officers Present: Paul Polito, Dan Campbell, Bill Rizzi, Lee Perry, Steve Cavanaugh

Directors Present: Bob Mirabito, Frank Antonelli, Ray Tomasini

Chairmen Present: Bob Bailey, Dave Greenwood

Officers/Directors Absent: Jack Donegan

The meeting was called to order at 7:37 pm.

Steve Cavanaugh read out the minutes of the August members' meeting, which was approved by the body. The minutes of the special August 22 meeting of the Board of Directors and of the regular September 3 meeting of the Board were then read and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report: Lee Perry reported that for the month of August had \$56,824 in the capital improvements fund. The general fund began the month with \$71,445.00. The club received income of \$27,186.49 and incurred expenses of \$24,385.97, for a final balance in the general fund of \$74,235.96. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Correspondence: Paul Polito read a thank-you from Richie Vogt for the club's expression of sympathy for the death of his brother. We received a solicitation for work from C. White Marine, Inc. of Danvers regarding facility repairs and upgrades.

Committee Reports

House: Dave Greenwood reported that everything is good with the club house, as it begins winding down at the end of the season. He is planning to turn off the electricity to the lockers on November 1. There will be no living in the lockers tolerated. The lockers will remain closed until April 1, 2010. There are two new stewards: Lynn Grabowski (Mon-Fri), Joe Crane (Sat, Sun) 9-5. The stewards will be working full time until November 1st. After that date, they will only be on duty for 3 hours on Monday and Friday afternoons for winter. John Camargo will update cameras by then, which will help with security, and the security watches will be in place.

Inboard & Mooring Master: No report. The commodore reminded everyone that if they plan to take advantage of winter in-water storage that they should contact Al Chouinard by October 15th.

Outboard: Bob Bailey reported that he still has a few slips available. In October, Bob will need folks to begin getting the outboard side ready for winter.

Regatta: Frank Antonelli reminded everyone of the Deck Party on Sept 26, another pot luck, from 7 pm til whenever; weather depending, it may be held inside. He is planning on looking for a DJ. Meeting meals are all set. JB Hauck is doing tonight, and another in Nov or Dec.

Licensing: Dave Greenwood reported that all permits are up to date.

Safety: No report.

MBYCA: George Salah reported that there were no meetings of Mass Bay in the summer; meetings should start up again this month.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business was brought before the club.

New Business: Lee Perry will make up bills on Oct 1. If there is a problem, please call Lee or Paul Polito. Lee reminded everyone that if a bill hasn't been received by mid-October, we probably have the wrong address. Each member is responsible to make sure the club has his correct address.

Paul asked for volunteers so that we could elect a Nominating Committee. The following volunteered, and were accepted by the membership. George Salah, Mark Mirabito, Dan Quigley, John Steele, Jack Lewis. The committee's report is due at the General Membership Meeting on November 12, 2009.

The proposed By-law change to paragraph 2 of Section 3 of Article XIX, regarding probationary hours was read out (This by-law corresponded to numbers 1 & 2 of the Probationary Rules section in the Standing Rules of the DYC.). After explanation of the purpose of the proposed amendment, to bring the by-law into accord with present practice of not specifying when within their probationary year new members must fulfill their 30-hour work commitment, there was not discussion. The motion carried. Also eliminated by voice vote was paragraph 4 of the Probationary Rules section in the Standing Rules of the DYC, which was a disciplinary note triggered by failure to complete the Spring portion of work hours, which requirement was eliminated by the by-law amendment.

The proposal to raise fees and establish a dredging and locker/deck repair fund was read out by the secretary. The discussion began with concerns from some members about locker fees. Joe Katz felt that this second raise of fees in 2 years was unfair. Others noted that the raise proposed was 60%, while float owners were only being asked to shoulder a 25% increase. Polito and Greenwood stated that the current locker fees only barely cover the costs of taxes, DCR rent,

insurance and electricity. We spent \$3000 3 years ago to shore up some lockers in front. Dave reminded everyone that we already have the permits to do the locker work, and the amount being asked of the locker owners is to pay a portion of the repair costs; not the whole thing.

Ray Tomasini reminded everyone that we can't go to a bank and get a loan, we have a liability exposure if the lockers should collapse. Our only income is rental of lockers and floats and that needs to be the source of income to make these repairs. Duke Webb, however, asked why we couldn't get a loan; why not go to our bank and ask for a line of credit. Bob Mirabito noted that we have been with Sovereign Bank for 8-10 years, and should look into this.

Eddie White said we know that economic times are hard. We need to take a break from raising fees every year. It was suggested that we go more slowly. Dan Campbell made the point that it was failure to raise fees in the past to do needed maintenance that has us in our present straits of having two major projects to undertake.

Bob Mirabito then reacted to parts of the discussion that the most important thing was to get the dredging done, when the condition of the lockers is so dire, and reminded everyone that the by-laws require capital improvements to be funded by assessment.

After further discussions, a vote was taken. There were 19 votes in favor of the proposal, and 23 votes against the proposal.

Steve Cavanaugh announced that new member cards are available.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Massachusetts Gasoline Excise Tax Rebate



Did you know that the gasoline you use in your boat is eligible for a rebate of the 21¢ per gallon you pay each time you fill up? Well, it is! So as the season winds down, don't forget to save all your gasoline receipts. The official rebate form can be downloaded from the MBYCA web site at this address:

http://www.mbyca.org/GT_9M.pdf

Your claim form must be filed out within six months of date of purchase or invoice. Original sales receipts must be attached.

Dear Members:

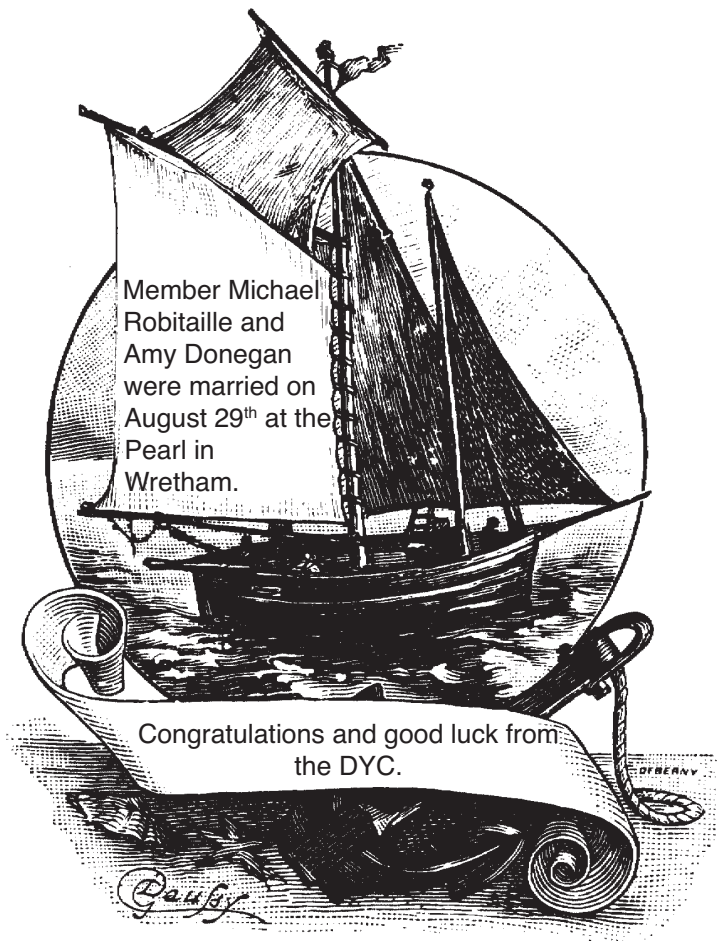
It has come to the Board's attention that some members have taken it upon themselves to criticize the stewards working at the Club. This will not be tolerated. Any member or their guest that speaks to a steward in a disrespectful way or writes notes telling the steward what he / she thinks of the steward or in any other way harasses the stewards will be brought before the Board and face disciplinary action.

A disparaging note was left last week and we are looking at the security tapes now to determine who left it.

The stewards work directly for the House Committee Chairman Dave Greenwood and he is the ONLY person that deals with the employees of the Club. If a member has an issue or complaints with a steward, he or she must contact Dave Greenwood (617-594-2962) or come before the Board on the first Thursday of the month and talk to the Board.

Both of this year's stewards, Chris and Steph, have done a great job for the Club and the Board and House Committee are very pleased. The clubhouse and grounds have been kept meticulously clean and neat all summer, and the business side of their duties has been above par. On many occasions they have come to work only to find a mess left by some inconsiderate members from the night before and they just delved in and cleaned up, which is not their job, with no complaining.

DYC Board of Directors



Member Michael Robitaille and Amy Donegan were married on August 29th at the Pearl in Wretham.

Congratulations and good luck from the DYC.

Attention Locker Owners and Users

As of November 1, 2009, electricity will be shut off for the winter in the lockers until April 2010. No overnights will be allowed in the lockers during this period.

House Committee

NEED HELP COVERING YOUR SECURITY WATCH?

Call Wally Pozark at 617-265-5393

or

Ed Leahy at (617) 799-3337

\$40.00 per shift.

October 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Board of Directors Meeting	2 Michael Nee Paul Norton	3 Ernest Opanasets David Moore
4 John O'Brien Brian Taylor	5 Eoin O'Donnell Thomas O'Donnell	6 Kathleen Oosteman Joseph Oskin	7 Richard Perry Matthews Perry	8 General Body Meeting	9 Robert Pizzi James O'Brien	10 Richard Rolak Brian Wilkins
11 James Roberson David Picot	12 Edward Piette Augustine Parziale	13 Scott Pringle John Peyev	14 Kenneth Sr Portanova Kenneth Jr Portanova	15 Joseph Quinn Paul Quinn	16 Paul Polito David Leger	17 Jeffrey Sardelli John Quintal
18 Daniel Sullivan Raymond Shiner	19 Tadevsz Rekwski Albert Chouinard	20 Cesar Romero Robert Sweeney	21 Kathleen Tyrell William Rizzi	22 Edward Winkowski Michael Robitaille	23 Rui Vieira Shaun Teed	24 Edward White David Ottaviani
25 John Vespaziani Gerry White	26 John Waggett Richard Vogt	27 Paul Webster Douglas Whalen	28 Richard White James Walsh	29 Steve Williams John Steele	30 Robert Abraham Salvatore Campisi	31 Raymond Tomasini Joe Bruno

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November 2009

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
John Barnett Luke Barkmakian	1 John Button Kurt Brown	2 Kenneth Boyce, Jr. John Borkowski	3 Kenneth Bruneau William Burns	4 Board of Directors Meeting	5 Donals Amico Peter Baker	6 Frank Antonelli James Gulley
Paul Butler Robert Cunio	8 Matthew Brennan John Camargo	9 Torrey Browne Greg Bedrosian	10 Scott Brown Patrick Conroy	11 General Body Meeting	12 Joseph Baker Kenneth Grealish	13 Paul Benvissuto Phillip Benvissuto
James Crook Joe Lewis	15 Dennis Bates Livio Cence	16 Robert Carroll Christopher Connolly	17 Paul Cabral George Fennessey	18 Stephan Colbert Paul Pender	19 Kai Joe Chow Thomas Cosgrove	20 Emilio Cappuccio Joe Crane
Daniel Campbell Thomas Campbell	22 Van Christie Andrew Avellino	23 James Curran Joe Christiano	24 John Collins Janus Czuchajew	25 Happy Thanksgiving	26 Deborah Connolly Brian Foster	27 Jose Cruz Julio Cruz
Kenneth Cleary Shawn Carew	29 Steve Cavanaugh Michael Doherty	30				

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DYC Members are eligible for a discounted BoatUS membership. The yacht club's discount code is: GA80017Y.

Dorchester Yacht Club Card Night
SECOND SATURDAY of the MONTH
7 PM

Sponsored By Your Regatta Committee

Call Thursday before 8 pm to reserve a seat!
Members can contact Frank Antonelli Jr.
loujoe@aol.com at 781-953-6780
or Edward Callahan.

Rules and Regulations for Card Night

Who: Members and Guest Only.

Time: Second Saturday of the month,

7 p.m. – 11 p.m.

Place: DYC

5 Card Draw, 7 Card Stud

\$25 Entrance Fee = \$200 Chips, No Rebuys

7 Players Maximum per Table,

5 Players Minimum

Food break at 8:30 p.m.

Last hand dealt at 10:45 p.m.

Bring Your Own Beverage.

Language appropriate to a mixed social setting.

Player who is out of chips may play light if he/she has made the ante. Players will be seated by priority of sign in sheets. Winner is player with the most chips at final hand. Table winner must return all chips to collect cash prize.

7 Player table wins \$100

6 Player table wins \$75

5 Player table wins \$50



EVENTS AROUND THE HARBOR

On September 30th the Division of Marine Fisheries will host an ASMFC public hearing related to four different proposed changes to interstate management plans governing American lobster, scup & black sea bass, American shad, and striped bass. This hearing will be conducted in four successive sessions each dealing with a distinct management plan proposal(s). The hearing will begin at 4:30 pm at DMF's Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station at 30 Emerson Ave., Gloucester. More info at the web site: http://www.mass.gov/dfwele/dmf/marinefisheriesnotices/2009/september_asmfc_hearings_091009.html

Town River Yacht Club in Quincy is hosting a Comedy Night on Saturday, October 03, 2009 at 7:00 pm. Featuring Steve Sweeney, the cost is \$15 per person. Please pay ahead at the galley of TRYC.

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary is sponsoring a Boating Safety Class at Hingham High School on Wednesdays from 7:00-9:00 p.m. in Room 124. There are 8 Sessions, beginning September 30 and ending on December 2. Tuition is \$15 (plus \$60 materials fee paid directly to instructor). This class is a must for new boaters or for boaters that feel the need to brush up on their boating skills. Instruction on marine aids to navigation, boat handling, marlinspike seamanship, marine engines, "rules of the road", piloting, radio marine communications, weather, choosing a boat, equipment necessary for your boat, and trailering your boat. INSTRUCTOR: Paul Milone, USCGA.

The Boston Sailing Center offers weekend, week-night and week-long sailing classes. The Center is located on Lewis Warf in downtown Boston. For more information, visit the web site: <http://www.bostonsailingcenter.com>



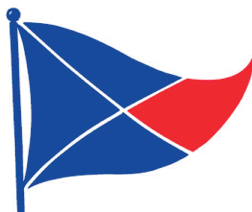


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BOD Meeting: October 1, 2009
Monthly Members Meeting: October 8, 2009



MBYCA meetings are open to members of member clubs. The next meeting is at **Metropolitan Yacht Club** at 39 Vinedale Road, Braintree on Friday, September 25th at 8:30 p.m.



Looking for a something scary to do on the water; check out the Boston Ghost Cruise, Six cruises are planned for Friday and Saturday of Halloween Weekend. Times of cruises are: Friday, October 30, 7:30 PM and 9:30 PM; Saturday, October 31, 4:30 PM (family), 6:30 PM (family), 8:30 PM and 10:30 PM. Cruises are \$28.00 per person. For more information, visit the web site:

<http://www.bostonghostcruise.com/>