



North Jersey Yacht Racing Association  
Regular Meeting  
April 15, 2015  
Keyport Yacht Club, Keyport, NJ

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Greg Raybon at 1942. The roll call of member clubs was called and a quorum was present or on the conference call.

**Recording Secretary Report:**

The minutes of the April meeting were approved. Special thanks to Nancy Chambers for capturing minutes of the February and March meetings in Joe's absence.

**Corresponding Secretary Report-Bob Slook:**

The Facebook group is now active and all members were encouraged to join. All back minutes will be posted on the NJYRA Website.

Members were encouraged to update their club officers and their regatta dates on the website.

**Treasurer Report-Ann Myer:**

No report

**Rear Commodore's Report-Sam Oncea:**

The RC will take a more active role in updating the Facebook entries.

**Vice Commodore's Report-Nancy Chambers:**

Nancy discussed an alternative to printing a yearbook. Printing the club entries from the website and making them available as a directory of clubs. There was general agreement that this was a good plan.

A detailed discussion of the bid sheet was held; good progress has been made in completing all the entries.

**Commodore's Report-Greg Raybon:**

The Bemis/Smythe/Neimer/Bennett Single and Double handed events will be on July 18. A Race Officer has been obtained.

More Flying Scots are needed for the Sears.

The interest in Opti sailing has created a crush in scheduling. BBYRA



picks another event to piggyback Opti events. We should consider that as well.

We need to encourage senior Opti sailors to move onto 420s. We Need to arrange a 420 event date. Perhaps Jr. Sweeps could be a Qualifier.

Mallory will be at MSC. The Nationals are by resume only and reviewed by the championship committee; it will be in J24s. Greg can provide more information.

MSC is hosting the Sailor's Bowl on May 1. This is a great charity event black-tie. 7PM Dinner and 9PM for activities. There will be a Martini Room, a Casino Room and a Mount Bay Rum Room

MSC Commissioning Ceremony will be on May 9 and will include a boat ride opportunity.

### **Unfinished Business**

Social events are planned

- Spring at Shrewsbury River YC      May-June
- Summer at Little Egg Harbor YC      July 24 (Friday)
- Fall at Raritan YC      @Anniversary Event

A makeup for the 2014 Woodpussy Championship will be held at MBC on May 9. The trophy will be awarded at the event.

### **New Business**

A member who is also associated with the Clean Regattas Program encouraged all clubs to plan for recycling at their events and eliminates the use of disposable containers. By making a commitment to do this the event can be identified a "Clean Regatta". The organization also has a water station which can be arranged for use. Their website is [sailorsfortheseas.org](http://sailorsfortheseas.org)

### **Jr. Program Discussion**

At 2030 a roundtable discussion of ways to improve Jr. Programs was begun. Georgi Munger moderated the discussion. She cited a US Sailing presentation in which three very different types of programs were discussed:

- A Minnesota program for 750 kids with 18 420, 18 Club 420, many Optis and Sonars.



- The American YC in YC which has over 1000 members and draws from its membership only.
- Balboa YC which makes extensive use of travel to other clubs.

The key point is that every club is different but your club must have a clear mission and goal for its Jr. Program. Especially you must have a clear understanding of your target audience.

You must have a highly qualified instructor staff-both in sailing and people skills. This is another reason to nurture your older juniors. Often jobs and internships compete with an instructor job.

Some realities:

In 1980 participation 12.8 which went to 2.9 in 2009. Google access of junior sailing dropped 40%.

Focus on "serious racers" needs to change: 65% of juniors are learners, 25% are occasional racers and only 10% are the hard-core racers.

Plan on other activities in your Jr. Program

1. Paddleboards
2. Windsurfers
3. Big boat sails with Senior Members
4. Kayaking
5. Milk Carton boats
6. Socials

The meeting was adjourned at 2120.

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Joseph Malik*

*Recording Secretary, NJYRA*

**Clubs Represented:**

AHYC, BBYC, FHSC, HSC, KYC, LHYC, LEHYC, MBC, MSC, PHRF, SBYC\*, SHBCC, SRYC & SSYC.

**\* On conference call**

Name	Club	Position	Attending
Greg Raybon	SHBCC	Commodore, Rep.	<b>Y</b>



<b>Name</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Attending</b>
Nancy Chambers	SBYC	Vice Commodore, Rep	<b>Y</b>
Sam Oncea	SRYC	Rear Commodore, Rep, PC	<b>Y</b>
Robert Slook	SSYC	Corresponding Sec., PC, Rep	<b>Y</b>
Joe Malik	FHSC	Recording Sec., Rep.	<b>Y</b>
Ann Myer	RYC	Treasurer, Rep, PC	<b>N</b>
Georgi Munger	SSYC	Past Commodore	<b>Y</b>
Jeff Jacobi	SSYC	PC	<b>Y</b>
Stuart Van Winkle	SSYC	PC	<b>N</b>
Jim Ballintine	LHYC	PC, Rep	<b>Y</b>
Alan Deekan	KYC	Rep	
Ann Quinn	KYC	Commodore	
Audrey Meehan	RuYC	Rep	
Barbara Gold	RYC	Rep, HS Contact	
Bob Curtiss	AHYC	Rep	
Brenda Horvath	RYC	Junior Chair	
Bruce Cattanach	MBC	Instructor Trainer	
Christopher Duncan	BBYC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Dan Speranzo	RCYC	Rep	
Dave Long	BBYC	Webmaster, Rep	
David Watts	NSIBYC	Rep	
Debbie McGlynn	LEHYC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Diane Bonnell	PHRF-MA	PHRF-MA Rep,	<b>Y</b>
Dick Muise	SRYC	Rep	
Don Hall	BBYC	Rep.	
Doug Milnes	SSYC	SSYC Fleet Capt.	
Elaine Haher	AHYC	Rep	
Franz Schneider	LEHYC	Rep, PC	<b>Y</b>
Jack Flannery	AHYC	Race Comm.	
Jackie Cattanach	MBC	PC	
Jake Turner	LEHYC	Commodore-Rep	
Joel Terry	MSC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Jeff Smith	AHYC	Alternate	
Jim Walsh	PHRF	Rep	
Joe Richter	SSYC	PC, Mallory Comm.	
John Kenworthy	SBYC	Rep, Vice Commodore	<b>Y</b>
John Quinn	Monmouth U.	Rep	
Karl File	BLYC	Rep	
Kasey Mahoney	RCYC	Junior Ass't Chair	
Kathy Kulkowski	SHBCC	Rep	
Kathy Wright	BLYC	Rep, PC	
Keith Johnson	MBC	Rep.	
Kelly Robinson	PHRF-MA	Safety at Sea	



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		Seminar	
Kim Myer	RYC	Alternate	
Lee DiRubbo	KYC	Rear Commodore	
Leon Kanopka	SBYC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Lora Sgroi	FHSC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Michael Meehan	SSYC	Rep	
Mike Noone	NSC	Rep	
Nicky Einthoven	HSC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Paul Scalisi	RCYC	Rep	
Ray Nolting	KYC	Rep	
Renee Dasaro	MBC	Jr. Chair	
Rich Warren	SCYC	Rep.	
Susan Ricker	SSYC-Jr. Chair		
Talbott Ingram	SSYC	PC, Jr. Coordinator	
Thomas LePage	MBC	Rep	<b>Y</b>
Tim Mahoney	RCYC	Rep.	
Tom Boyer	BBYC	Rep.	
Vic Simon	SHBCC	Rep	

