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The circle raft up building started around 12:00 noon. The wind did not co-operate, so we did the circle up with our dinghies for the Dink, Drink, & Drift for Appetizers. A GREAT time was had by all.



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Some more of the circle raft up



Board Meeting: March 1, 2012

Present: Debi, Nancy, Max, Rich, Marie, Charles, Dot, Mary Ann, Jane

Absent: Deborah

The meeting was called to order by Charles at 6:45

Social Director's Report: Nancy discussed her plan to attempt to have more parties on boats this year. She also discussed ideas for other parties; to include pool parties, a Sadie Hawkins party, a PJ party, a Derby party, a poker run party, Air show and Thanksgiving. She stated that she intended to keep the costs lower this year. She asked for and was given a budget for the two most important parties; \$4500.00 for the COC and \$3500.00 for the holiday party.

Vice Commodore's Report: Marie stated that currently she is thinking of planning the 2 SOS's for June and October. She is looking at the Lighthouse Point location.

Membership Director's Report: Dot stated the current membership is 171. The amount of membership dues that has been collected was stated.

Sailing Director's Report: Debi stated that the captains meeting went off well. There have already been a lot of sails counted this year. She has been in contact with club captains via e-mail. She stated that 9 club boats were planning to attend the Hillsborough circle raft up.

Treasurer's Report: Max presented the current amount in the Treasury.

Newsletter Publisher's Report: Rich stated the January Newsletter is out and that he is looking for advertisers and spinnaker sponsors.

Commodores Report: Charles stated that he thinks our e-mail problems have been fixed. He asked the members if they wanted to hold the next board meeting at another location and date. It was decided that the board would meet one hour prior to the general meeting.

Boat Owner's Rep's Report: Mary Ann is working closely with Debi in meeting with the captains. The Waterway clean-up is scheduled for March 10th.

Guest Report: Gary presented a slide presentation on name badge options for captains to distinguish them from the rest of the club. Gold with blue lettering was preferred. If this cannot be done, black lettering also looks good.

VOTES:

It was moved by Debi; seconded by Charles that: Guests attending the holiday party and COC will be expected to pay the full price. Motion passed.

It was moved by Nancy; seconded by Marie that the club would withdraw our advertisement from Meet-up and would begin to advertise in the Waterfront News. Motion passed.

It was moved by Nancy and seconded by Rich that the club purchase gold name badges for the captains. Motion passed.
The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted
Jane Haughian, Secretary

Ahoy all members:

The sailing year is off to a great start, we have many boats on the water and more new crew sailing. I have an active Crew list that is posted at the club most weeks except for at the business meeting. Several people have added their name and phone numbers which are unreadable, and therefore are not on the Crew list. It is essential your information be legible and your e-mail be included because that is how I contact crew. I will have the list and signup sheets available at the meeting on the 22nd of March, if you are not on the Crew list, either you did not sign up or your information was illegible/missing critical info. If that is the case please sign-up and/or resign-up. Also some Captains are available to sail during the week -ahh retirement is bliss- if you are available to sail during the week, please notify me and I will update the Crew list with that info and send it to the Captains and hopefully even more people will get to go sailing. The Circle raft up was last weekend MANY Crew attended and a great time was had by all. These are fun events and we want to get as many people on the water as possible. The best ways to get on a boat is talk to the Captains and befriend them. There are no guarantees but getting involved helps. We have some fun events coming up in addition to day sails. April 1 will be a day sail and April Fools raft up. May 5 will be a sail and raft up with a KY Derby theme overnight stay is at the Captains option. This is a combined Social and Sailing event. We will have a shuttle to bring people to the Raft up. This should be a great event and much fun. Watch your e-mail for further details!! May 19 Hospice by The Sea Regatta - Club boats that are racing and looking for Crew will be posted. The purpose of this event is to raise money for Hospice. Even if you don't race, make plans to attend the after race party and consider making a donation. Memorial Day: The Captains have decided this year for Memorial Day they would like to go to Pumpkin Key. Since this is an overnight sail, the Captains will be choosing their crew. I am looking forward to great participation. We did this a few years ago and had a great time, with many people attending. Hopefully we will have a great turnout. Later in the season some Captains will be heading to the Abaco's; because of this some Captains may elect to go to Bimini; either way, watch your e-mail for sailing opportunities. MaryAnn has devised a form for helping Captains clean their boats. Sign up and show the Captains how much you appreciate them. You can organize a Jimmy Buff IT party! Should be a fun and informative time. The Captains have been enjoying sailing any many Crew have gotten on boats including many who have not previously sailed. So sharpen your sailing skills, talk to the Captains, and let's continue to have fun on the water.

Fair Winds

Debi Hallmark Sailing Director

**Dock space wanted for a 32' sailboat.
Must be located near the ICW.**

Contact: Greg Aurre at 305-610-9038 or gaurre@gmail.com

We would like to request that everyone wear their name tags during our meetings. This allows new people to learn your name as well as you to learn a new person's name. In my case it replaces the need to have my name stenciled on my belt (old Texan joke).

We will be meeting at the Universal Palms Hotel for the Business Meeting.

The address is:

4900 Powerline Road

Ft Lauderdale, FL 333309.

(South east corner of Commercial Boulevard and Powerline Road)

The phone number there is 954-776-4880

We are hoping that this will provide a more comfortable place to hold our meetings, as well as better parking.

Please remember your bartenders and waitress when tipping.

Please pick up your Pink Books at our Thursday socials. This saves the Club postage.

Some captains have requested that crew be reminded to wear soft soled shoes on their boats. High heels do NOT qualify! Not only is inappropriate foot gear dangerous, it damages our teak decking.



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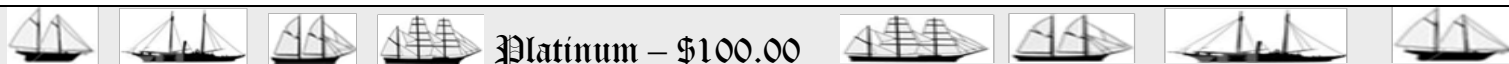
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Max Goldstein – February 2012
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