



*Anchor Bay Yachting Association*

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### **Minutes of the General Membership Meeting March 1, 2010**

The meeting was called to order at **Jefferson Yacht Club** by Commodore Lois Conte at 8:05 p.m. and leading the delegates in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Invocation:** By Rear Commodore Lynda Marek-Bruley

**Officers Present:** Commodore Lois Conte, Vice Commodore Nat Pulizzi, Rear Commodore Lynda Marek-Bruley, Fleet Captain Rick Watros, Treasurer Matt Barrells, Secretary Terry Dunn and Past Commodore Gary Nowicki.

**Club Delegates Absent:** Blue Whale Boat Club, Boat Town, Lake Trotters Boat Club, Mac Ray Yacht Club, and Sailing Singles.

**Commodores Comments to Delegates:** The Commodore opened the Meeting by welcoming all to the March 2010 ABYA General Membership and thanked everyone who attended the International Travel Seminar.

**Secretary's Report:** Commodore Lois Conte requested a motion to accept the February 2010 GMM minutes as e-mailed, and it was made by PC Bill Calihan and seconded by Conger Bay to approve the Minutes as written. Motion approved.

**Treasurers Report:** as of February 22, 2010  
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A motion was requested by Commodore Lois Conte and was made by PC Tom Hepp and seconded by PC Bill Calihan to accept the Treasurer's report as delivered, motion approved.

**Fleet Captains Report:** Rick Watros reminded the Delegates to phone in their dinner reservations for the meetings, Jefferson YC had to cancel tonight's dinner due to lack of response. Rick has a package of tickets and information for ABYA Spring Charity Dinner Dance for each club. A Charity Texas Hold'em (pending license approval) will be held April 10<sup>th</sup> at Mariners B.C. Details to be announced on an upcoming flyer.

**Rear Commodores Report:** Lynda Marek-Bruley said that there are still rooms available, only about 40 reservations so far, for the Charity Spring Get-a-Way in Frankenmuth, March 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. The Clinton River Clean-Up will be held May 8<sup>th</sup> along with the pride of Michigan Open House (see flyer), volunteers and boats needed; this is an opportunity for high school students to earn their community service hours. The Rubber boat races will be run on the 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> of June at Mac Ray Harbor. A limited number of boat wells are available (see flyer) and use form to turn in your request. If any Club is interested in building a boat, Lynda has molds for a cat hull and a vee hull.

**Vice Commodores Report:** Nat Pulizzi announced that the Ships Store has officers' flags available for clubs that will need them. Nat asked for suggestions for additional items that members would like the Ships Store to carry. Nat introduced the speaker for the evening, Captain Luke Clayborn of the "Pride of Michigan", who explained the Noble Odyssey program and the Sea Cadets. Next month's speaker will be Jim Pershing, Superintendent of Metro Beach.

**Committee Reports:** Committee business has already been covered; Commodore Lois Conte has sign-up sheets for volunteers to help on committees. Lois encouraged Delegates to take flyers and information and share with their club members.

**New Business:** Lois has flyer for Boating Safety Refresher at marine Sherriff's Boat House on May 12<sup>th</sup>. Space is limited; if you are interested please contact Commodore Lois Conte.

Lois stated that on the Rubber Band Boat Race weekend, ABYA is teaming up with MacRay Harbor and Clinton River Watershed Council to present "Celebrate the Lake" (see flyer). A Power Point presentation of various club activities and events is planned for showing at the event. Each club is asked to submit (4) pictures or informational slides by the May General Membership Meeting. PC Gary Nowicki said that there would be booths and tables set up for ABYA showing presentation on our clubs, MacRay Harbor on Clean Marina Program, and Clinton River Watershed Council. Other booths may include: Lake St. Clair Tourism Initiative, Boaters Association of Michigan, Coast Guard, Border Patrol, Customs, DNR, etc. This Event will be open to the public. Thursday will be Media Day, invitation only. Charity Spaghetti Dinner planned for Saturday 6-9 pm. Rubber band boat race trials will be held Saturday pm and the race will be held Sunday 9-10 am.

**For the Good of the Order:**

**Bay Harbor Boat Club** (*John Zerilli*) *No Report*

**Bayside Yacht Club** (*Jay Wischow*) *Commodore's Ball-See flyer*

**Belvidere Boat Club** (*Ken Warren*) *Euchre tournament-see flyer*

**Blue Whale Yacht Club** *absent/ No Report*

**Boat Town** *absent/ No Report*

**Bombay Yacht Club** (*Don Witkowski*) *No Report*

**Bouvier Bay Yacht Club** (*Gary Brooks*) *No Report*

**Clinton River Boat Club** (*Jerry Reblin*) *No Report*

**Conger Bay Boat Club** (*Eric Wolf*) *Fund raiser-see flyer*

**Emerald City Boat Club** (*Gary Rocheleau*) *No Report*

**Great Lakes Cruising Club** (*Ted Smitz*) *Regional Dinner Meeting-See Flyer*

**Grosse Point Woods Boat Club** (Nancy Chrzanowski) *No Report*  
**Harbor Club N/S Yacht Club** (Wayne Johnson) *Blessing of the fleet- Flyer coming*  
**Huron Pointe Yacht Club** (John Payotelis) *No report*  
**Idle Hour Yacht Club** (J.R.Nelson) *Boat4vets- see flyer*  
**Jacks Commodore Club** (Larry Stanko) *Flyer coming*  
**Jefferson Yacht Club** (William Hollister) *Ray Fogg Show, dinghy raffle-See events flyer*  
**Lake Trotters Boat Club** *absent/No Report*  
**Mac Ray Yacht Club** *absent/No Report*  
**Mariners Boat Club** (Travis Hotchkiss) *AirMargaritaville-See Flyer*  
**Moslem Shrine Yacht Club** (Art Brooks) *No report*  
**New Wave Boat Club** (Steve Mitchell) *No Report*  
**North Channel Yacht Club** (Henry Siwek) *No Report*  
**North Star Sail Club** (Murphy Palmer) *No Report*  
**Past Commodores Club** (Ken Kmieske) *No Report*  
**Poorman's Yacht Club** (George Weatherly) *No Report*  
**Sailing Singles** *No report/absent*  
**Sand Pointe Yacht Club** (Gary Szczesniak) *March GMM- see flyer*  
**Shores Boat Club** (Dennis Lefever) *Commodore's Ball & Special Olympics-See Flyer*  
**Shores Harbor Club** (Don Vendittelli) *No Report*  
**Windmill Pointe Yacht Club** (Tom Hepp) *Pool Tournaments- Call Tom Hepp -Friday Dinners*  
**Y-Knot BC** (Cindy Halpin) *No Report*

**Past Commodores Present:** 1994-Harvey Karpinski, 2000- Bill Calihan, 2004-Chuck Baurhenn, 2005-Tom Hepp, and 2009-Gary Nowicki.

**Commodores Closing Comments:** Commodore Lois Conte thanked Jefferson Yacht Club and their Commodore Ken Kmieske and Delegate Bill Hollister for hosting the Meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn:** The Commodore entertained a motion to adjourn, and it was made by Belvidere Boat Club and seconded by PC Harvey Karpinski. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by:**  
**Terry Dunn, Secretary 2010**

**Next Meeting:** North Star Club - Monday, April 5th, Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Meeting at 8:00 p.m. See Flyer.

Dress is Winter Blue Blazer, Grey Slacks and Black Tie  
Delegates are required to attend meetings in uniform.

If possible, will the Delegates who give a report at "For the Good of the Order" bring flyers of the event to place on the front table and e-mail a copy to the Secretary.

**Next Events:** Frankenmuth Get-A-Way, Bavarian Inn, March 13-14.

Texas Hold-em Tournament, Mariners Boat Club, April 10th (Pending license approval.)