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The November Quill



Delegates, Commodores, Past ABYA Commodores,

There is still so much going on, and around the Anchor Bay Yachting Association and the Clubs I wanted to give everyone a brief update as far as what happened in the Monday November 7th 2016 meeting. It was hosted by, and at the Windmill Point Yacht Club. After the meeting was called to order and everyone recited the Pledge of Allegiance, a wonderful invocation was presented by P/C Art Brooks. Secretary Craig did a roll-call of the officers and Clubs. He stated 9 clubs have a perfect attendance this year at the general membership meeting, and congratulated them. Commodore Rick commented, our Club Mentor programs are still in place and if there is anything our Club would like us to do for them please get a hold of your Club mentor. He said next year he would like at least one ABYA PC, and one of the board members to attend the member club General membership meeting. Commodore Rick also mentioned that 2016 has been a great year, it was the 50th year of the ABYA, and he would like to thank everyone for all their help making this a very successful year. Especially the ABYA Board of Directors for all they have done. During the Secretary report, Craig presented the flyer for the next General Membership Meeting. It will be Monday January 9th 2017. Hosted by and at the Huron Pointe Yacht Club. The meeting is at 7:30 the dinner is at 6:00 pm. The uniform dress blue blazer, grey slacks, white shirt, and black tie. Host clubs, bring in the flyers, or email them to me so that he may distribute them to Delegates. Please make your dinner reservations for the general membership meeting prior to the deadline date on the flyer. The 2017 ABYA member dues and Roster are due. We will be including all of our club memberships in 2017 Safety Book, so we would like to make sure that the clubs in it are up-to-date. This book will be going in print the later part of December, in order to make sure your Club is identified as a member Club, your dues and your roster information must be paid. We are still looking for a sponsor, or co-sponsor for the 2017 May, and November meetings, it is a great opportunity to create camaraderie between the clubs. It is the delegate's responsibility to communicate the information received at the meetings to their clubs. The Shores Harbor Club is having a euchre tournament next Saturday at Total Sports it starts at 6 o'clock. The cost is \$10 to be admitted onto the table. All proceeds are paid out to the winners. Food is availed at \$10.00, please try

and attend if you like playing Euchre. It sounds like a good opportunity to be included in the, Club comradely. The Treasurers report was reported by Rick, and after reviewing the cost and income of October, a motion was presented and passed. Then Commodore Rick presented the information for the 2017 Spring Rendezvous in Midland, March 10th 11th and 12th along with a rubber band boat race. The theme will be March Madness. Rear Commodore Brian did the presentation on the 2016 Christmas Charity Ball December 3rd at the Barrister Gardens, November 23, 2016 is the deadline date the tickets, they will NOT be sold at the door this year. If you have any tickets that you have not sold as of yet, please return them to Brian. The trophy for the rubber band boat race was being repaired previously, and it was presented to Bill Hulle from Bay Harbor Boat Club, they were the winners last year at the Midland Spring Rendezvous. Vice Commodore Ed did a brief synopsis on the Ships Store, the smaller burgee's are going to be \$14. He also mentioned that the Safety Book for 2017 will be in color, if you would like to provide an ad for that book, please see him, or email him. The 2016 50-50 tickets for the Christmas Ball he would like back, as soon as possible. They will be redistributed to other clubs, in November. The ABYA joined in 2017 MIBA, we will have a booth at the Detroit Boat Show, please bring your Club information so that we may be able to have it on the table for people to pick up and join your clubs. We also need some help with the booth at the boat show. He mentioned a DEQ update, we will have a speaker next year at a meeting to discuss those issues at hand. There was a guest speaker from the Clinton River Watershed Anne Vaara, she did a short presentation, after the presentation Commodore Rick presented her with a donation check, and she was very appreciative. The next speaker was Captain Luke Clyburn of the Pride of Michigan. He did a short presentation, after the presentation Commodore Rick presented him with a donation check and a Certificate of Appreciation from the State of Michigan, he was also very appreciative. Past Commodore Terry under the election committee, he brought forward our new Secretary for 2017 Mike Kidd, Mike is with the Nautical Mile Yacht Club and we are very pleased to have him on the ABYA Board for 2017 as the Secretary. There was a motion on the floor to accept him as the Secretary, and a second all were in favor. The millionaire's party this year roughly brought in \$12,000 or an average of \$3,000 each event. If you would like to donate a little bit of your time for our November fundraiser, please give Terry a call. There were seven Past Commodore's of the ABYA in attendance. In closing, Commodore Rick wanted to thank The Windmill Pointe Yacht Club. The Commodore and Delegate Chuck Bauerhenn, along with everyone else that helped in facilitating this meeting.

As always the flyers are attached for your distribution to your Club Membership.

Thank You Sincerely,
Secretary of A.B.Y.A.

Craig Skupny