

Santa Rosa Sailing Club
General Meeting

Roundtable Pizza, Guerneville Road, Santa Rosa
Thursday, October 20, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

Attendees: Steve Sarsfield, Bill Daniel, Steve Moore, Jim Smith, Fred Brass, Wallace Whiting

Regatta. Bill Daniel reported that all the shirts have been sold. We ordered exactly double the number of shirts that were pre-ordered (in the same sizes), and this seems to have worked. Jim Smith has communicated with the Potter Yachters about joining the 2012 Labor Day Regatta, but they are not interested. There was more talk about the outboard, ethanol, etc.

Insurance. Steve Sarsfield has been communicating with the US Sailing-endorsed insurance company, Gowrie Group, underwritten by Chubb Group. The preliminary quote for Club liability insurance is \$975 for 2012. Last year's insurance bill was \$850 from the company that the Club has used for years. However, the County of Sonoma (Spring Lake) has added new risks that we need to indemnify them against, the new insurance company may have more flexibility and responsiveness, and the old insurance company has yet to be contacted for a 2012 quote. Steve will continue to manage this.

Frostbite Series. Fred Brass volunteered to be PRO for the 2011-2012 Frostbite Series at Spring Lake, so we scheduled it for the second Sunday of November, December, January, February, and March.

New Commodore. Steve indicated his desire to hand the tiller to a new commodore. He will prepare something for the November 2011 Telltale (October 31 date).

Annual Banquet. The date of the Club Annual Banquet will be Saturday, January 21, 2012. Steve will contact Cattlemen's Restaurant, Montgomery Village. It was decided that all new members receive a \$5.00 discount on the Annual Banquet during their first year of membership.

Keelboat events. This issue was discussed, again with no firm events scheduled. In the coming year, there may be a couple more members with keelboats, and we will continue to try to revive this section of the Club.

Petaluma River Cruise. This cruise on October 8 was a success, and it was decided to schedule two cruises on the Petaluma River per year. Additional non-racing sailing venues were discussed for possible events, such as Bodega Harbor, Bodega Bay, and Lake Sonoma.

Fun Sails. We committed the Club to schedule more non-racing sailing events and generally, to get more people in sailboats!

Facebook. Members should be encouraged to use the Club Facebook page to organize *impromptu* sails, such as on Bodega Bay and Harbor. Members should also be encouraged to add their pictures of Club events to the Facebook page.

Twilight Series. It was decided to hold the 2012 Twilight Series on whatever Monday nights that the City of Santa Rosa rents sailboats on Lake Ralphine.

2012 Schedule. The schedule of events was determined for 2012. Additional events may be added, and the exact format for the Summer Series is yet to be determined. We scheduled 43 sailing events (in

addition to monthly meetings and the Annual Banquet). Every month in 2012 will see at least two events, except November during which there will be only one. During the months of June through October, there will be from 5 to 7 sailing events each month. Non-racing events will be approximately 40% of the events for 2012, with the remainder being race events during which non-racers are welcome to sail. Steve will process the required permit application for the Club's 2012 Spring Lake events.