Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association Executive Committee Meeting Minutes October 3, 2009 Bay Head Yacht Club

<u>Call to Order</u> – Commodore Robert Morrow called the Executive Committee meeting to order at 10:40 a.m. Commodore Morrow thanked all for coming and extended his thanks to Bay Head Yacht Club for extending their hospitality to BBYRA. The following items were added to the agenda: #5: Proposal for the creation of a Centennial Committee; #6 Insurance – Bill Scheyer; #7 Inspection Issues. Other proposed topics were suggested (including Junior Qualifiers, Flags on finish Boat). It was determined that these items should be referred to the Regatta Committee. Agenda was approved as amended above.

Roll Call – Representatives from following clubs were present: Bay Head Yacht Club, Beachwood Yacht Club, Island Heights Yacht Club, Lavallette Yacht Club, Manasquan River Yacht Club, Mantoloking Yacht Club, Metedeconk River Yacht Club, Normandy Beach Yacht Club, Ocean County College, Ocean Gate Yacht Club and Seaside Park Yacht Club. The following clubs were absent: Pine Beach Yacht Club, Shore Acres Yacht Club and Toms River Yacht Club. Additionally, all BBYRA officers were present at roll call except Fleet Captain Bob King, who entered the meeting at 11:37 a.m.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – Since there were no additions/revisions or deletions to the April 2009 delegates meeting minutes, Commodore Morrow declared the minutes approved as presented.

<u>Correspondence</u> – Secretary Sue Oksen-Pereira reported the following correspondence has been received since the April 2009 meeting:

- E-mail correspondence dated 7/22/09 from Steve Foster proposing the creation of the Robert Schreyer Memorial Trophy;
- Correspondence dated 9/1/09 from Shore Acres Yacht Club requesting to be the host of the 2015 BBYRA Commodores' Ball to celebrate their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary;
- E-mail correspondence dated 9/8/09 between BBYRA P/C Bill Scheyer and John Brown, SPYC Commodore, thanking each other for help and support of "S" course;
- E-mail correspondence dated 9/8/09 from LYC Commodore Ron Kiss appointing LYC Vice Commodore Rich Remy to represent LYC at today's meetings;
- E-mail correspondence dated 9/20/09 from SPYC Commodore John Brown appointing SPYC Rear Commodore Christina Connell to represent SPYC at today's meetings; and
- E-mail correspondence dated 10/1/09 from MRYC Commodore Rob Zilai appointing June Kingman to represent MRYC at today's meetings.

2010 Club contact information sheets were distributed to all clubs that were represented. All clubs were encouraged to complete and return as soon as possible. Secretary's Awards for 2010 will be awarded and they will be three deep. New BBYRA secretary's contact information is on the contact information sheet. FYI: BBYRA Commodores' Ball host dates are: 2010: Manasquan River Yacht Club; 2011: Ocean County College; 2012: available; 2013: available; 2014: BHYC; 2015: Shore Acres Yacht Club; 2016: Pine Beach Yacht Club.

## Unfinished Business -

#1 ~ 2009 Championship of Champions and #2 ~ 2010 Championship of Champions: Vice Commodore Rich Proko advised that the 2009 C of C was cancelled due to lack of participants. There were three confirmed registrations and the possibility of a fourth registration. Discussion followed on possible reasons why there was such a small response to the third annual event (date, boat, etc.). Suggestions for the future were to go to a two-man boat, discuss the topic at the upcoming Liaison I meeting (to have the fleets discuss and come to Liaison I meeting with suggestions from the respective fleets), have discussions directly with those who were eligible to compete in 2009 event but did not register, etc. OCC had previously agreed to host the 2010 event. Roy Wilkins/OCC took responsibility for contacting the 13 skippers who were eligible to sail in 2010 event. Sandpiper was suggested as the 2010 boat, BHYC is willing to be the venue and has a large sandpiper fleet. It was also suggested that general parameters be established so the event can be done without re-writing the proposal every year.

#3: Second Afternoon Racing Circle: Commodore Morrow reported that the feedback he received was that it was a big success and popular with the sailors. Vice Commodore Proko advised that there were both positive and negative sides to the second afternoon racing circle. Positive aspects were that there was strong support for the issue by the Regatta Committee members and there was a pool of PRO's to draw from. Negative aspects were lack of manpower and boats- VC Proko found himself stretched thin on those three weeks. His recommendation is to continue the second afternoon racing circle next year without expanding the proposal (three downbay Saturdays only) and use the second year to refine it/tweak it before considering expanding the course in the future. A-Cat fleet had positive feedback, E-Scows had more qualifiers for 2009 than in 2008. With more people on a course, it fostered more competition. Some folks missed seeing the A-Cats on their course. The consensus was that the Executive Committee was in favor of continuing the second afternoon racing circle for 2010 and the Delegates would be advised of same at their meeting this afternoon.

#4: 2010 BBYRA Commodores' Ball @ Manasquan River Yacht Club: Bill Scheyer and June Kingman reported that the planning has begun. Date for the event will be June 5, 2010. Menu being worked on, there will be tent, capacity will be 400 attendees, there will be formal fundraising for BBYRA. It was requested that each BBYRA club send their list of membership labels to MRYC as soon as possible (2009 membership labels are acceptable). MRYC will be sending out a "save the date" card soon and the actual invitation will be mailed out closer to the date of the event.

#5: <u>Proposal for Creation of BBYRA Centennial Committee</u>: Commodore Morrow discussed the need to explore preliminary plans for celebrating BBYRA's centennial. Commodore Morrow may have some potential candidates willing to serve. All were in favor of creating such a committee – there were no objections.

#6: <u>Insurance</u>: P/C Bill Scheyer advised that for an additional cost of \$500, he increased BBYRA liability insurance to \$11 million for total insurance coverage amount of \$13 million. Anne Attridge's name is now off the insurance paperwork.

#7: <u>Inspection Issues</u>: Steve Foster (who served as the designated inspector on the water for the 2009 season) reported that there were issues with the 2009 inspections.

He stated that there were fleets that were not inspected all year – the Q course was never inspected. The opinion was that if inspections are done at all, it opens us up to liability issues. All of the fleets should be inspected or none of the fleets should be inspected. Suggestions were made on who should be inspected (top three finishers, random finishers [i.e. - every 5<sup>th</sup> boat in the fleet], etc.) After discussion, Commodore Morrow directed P/C Scheyer to discuss this issue with the Insurance Company. James Maida and the BBYRA Safety Officer are to be included in the discussions and then P/C Scheyer is to report back to the Executive Committee. (A copy of the 2009 BBYRA Class Inspection Log is attached to the original minutes and incorporated herein.)

New Business: None

## Other Business:

For informational purposes only, P/C Scheyer advised that at the Delegates' meeting, he will be proposing that first time skippers receive a 50% discount on the cost of season registration for their respective fleet to stimulate registrations.

<u>Adjournment</u>: With no other business to come before the Executive Committee, Bob King motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Rich Proko. Commodore Morrow adjourned the meeting at 11:49 a.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

Susan L. Oksen-Pereira

Secretary

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