

## **2016 OFFICERS**

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**MISSION STATEMENT -** The mission of the Fond du Lac Sailing Club is to provide sailing events for the recreation, challenge, and pleasure of the membership, while promoting safety, fellowship and an opportunity to improve sailing skills and knowledge.

## **COMMODORE'S COMMENTS**

We didn't have a Board meeting this month so I am a little short on content. So disappointed I'm sure.

I think one of the biggest things going on is the Youth Sailing Program. With Kevin at the helm and Wanda Witt navigating the program is better than ever. I had a chance to help to adults on Wednesday Night learn to sail. It was fun to get some non-sailors out for their first time. If you have a chance to help please go out about 5:00 pm Wednesday, they really appreciated trying to learn what their kids are learning.

The next cruiser race is July 31<sup>st</sup> Nimmer Cup. Hopefully we will get a few more boats. If anybody is looking to go as crew there are enough boats for people to get on.

Dave and Jean are starting to prepare for the Poker Run Fun Race August 27<sup>th</sup> More to follow. The August Fun Race is Wednesday August 3<sup>rd.</sup> We will be sailing Day Sailors, Lasers, Force 5s, I20's, Buccaneer's, Hobies, and Lightning's. You get the picture, we have plenty of boats

See you on the Water

-Dave

## **EDITORS NOTE**

#### FOND DU LAC SAIL CLUB WEBSITE

To see the calendar, past mainsheets, race results, and more, go to: <a href="http://www.fdlsail.com">http://www.fdlsail.com</a>

If you have sailing club related events, please let me know and I can add them to the Sailing Club Calendar.

## **NEXT MEETING**

Sailing Club Meeting August 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

\*The meeting will be at the Yacht Club\*

#### **SPECIAL NOTE:**

Please bring snacks or treats to share after the meeting









# Mainsheet

## Minutes of the FDL sailing club meeting

July 7th, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.by Commodore Dave Whealon. Eleven members were in attendance.

#### **Secretary's Report**

A motion to approve the minutes from the June 2016 meeting and the January 2016 meeting was made by Ellen Balthazor and seconded by Karin Whealon.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Treasurer Marty Witt was not present but Dave Whealon provided last month's report and said there where no changes. Karin Whealon moved to accept the Treasurer's report and the motion was seconded by Ellen Balthazor. The motion carried and treasurer's report was accepted.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Day Sailors:** Scott Baccus updated on the Pewaukee I-20 race and our members' status.

Cruisers: No Report.

Youth Sailing: Kevin Gratton and Dan Thornton reported that parents and youth sailing committee are hoping to get advanced Open Bic and Lazer students racing on Tuesday nights. Help is also needed on Wednesday nights for youth sailing racing for beginner Open Bic students.

Kevin informed us that the trailer for sail storage was at his place and we need to build the hangers for the sails. He said we have 90 youth sailing students this year. Kevin also had a meeting with the DNR on the possibility of a pier by the river.

## **Old Business**

The Trans Winnebago race was a fun race and the club did well and the 4<sup>th</sup> of July race was lacking wind. Next August 3 fun sail will be on day sail boats by club members.

Poker Run scheduled for Saturday August 27, 2016 is coming up.

#### **New Business**

Dave Whealon proposed the question does the club need to buy a lap top computer. The members decided it wasn't needed.

We need to repair the Pro Start or replace it.

Earl Jewett motioned that we purchase a tank of gas for Dave Whealon's boat that is used for judging races. Scott moved to buy the gas and the motion was seconded by Hank. The motion carried and was accepted.

Military Appreciation is August 8, 2016 and the Yacht Club needs sail boats.

#### For the Good of the Club

The September meeting will be on the 8<sup>th</sup> because of a race on September 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### **Adjournment**

Earl Jewett moved to adjourn, and was seconded by all. The Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dan Thorton

#### Focus on Format to Encourage Participation

by Craig Leweck, Scuttlebutt

Life isn't getting any simpler, and our sport remains equally complicated. Boat types are diverse with a significant range in investment possible to compete. Amid handicap events, it is what makes our sport both inclusive and a complete nightmare.

It's kind of like the world famous San Diego Zoo. With over 3,700 animals of more than 650 species, it is a pretty cool way to spend a day. But without the animals being separated, it would be utter chaos and carnage. In time, only the strongest would remain.

Handicap events work when everyone has a chance to survive. Once boats get grouped appropriately, the rating systems can accurately

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function. With sufficient trophies to compete for, competitors can take aim. Being inclusive encourages participation.

For distance races, the historic trophies frequently focus on elapsed time. It is racing at its simplest form. For these speedsters, rating advantage is often traded for outright speed. For them, it is not about corrected time standings but simply who can get to the finish line first? But like everything else, this has gotten complicated.

The Transpac Race, for example, now has three trophies to recognize flat out speed along the iconic 2225-mile course between Los Angeles and Honolulu. There is the...

- Fastest elapsed time by a monohull yacht, manual power only
- Fastest elapsed time by a monohull yacht, power assisted only
- Fastest elapsed time by a multihull yacht

By offering these options, Transpac has become inclusive.

Alternatively, the Chicago Yacht Club Race to Mackinac has opted for a different course. At one time the race had separate trophies for the fastest monohull and multihull finisher, but since 2015, all the racing divisions – monohull and multihull – compete for only one trophy, the Royono Trophy, one of the elite awards on the Great Lakes.

While this is a simple approach, will it make big and fast monohulls irrelevant? In the 2016 race, an ORMA60 beat the fastest monohull (Volvo 70) by over two hours. With the pace at which multihulls are evolving, if the only prize for elapsed time monohull racers becomes out of reach, how long will the allure of Mackinac Island be sufficient to warrant the expense of participation?

Sometimes the simple approach is too simple.

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#### **CLUB REMINDERS:**

\*Happy Hour @ the Club ½ price drinks! (4-8pm every Wednesday & Friday)







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**FOR SALE:** Miscellaneous Sailboat parts. Some are specific to Lightning's. Pictures and more information at:

http://www.elmoandbigsue.com/For Sale/For Sale.htm or call Mike Elmergreen at 920.872.5079 or email at elmo@centurytel.net

FOR SALE: 1989 23ft Hunter Sailboat in Good Condition located in Fond du Lac. 4hp Yamaha 4 stroke motor manufactured in 10/05, OEM Trailer, main and jib sails, winged keel, wind vane, portable toilet, dorm sized refrigerator, CD player, anchor. Newly recovered cushions Has not been cleaned up or bottom painted from last season.



Contact Keith - (920) 948-8529 - Evenings only

**FOR SALE:** Classic sloop, beautifully rigged. Universal Kubota diesel engine. Beautiful teak deck.



Universal (Kubota) diesel engine M3-20B (249 hours). Schaffer Roller Fuller. Hoyt jib boom. 3 Roller blocks. Harken jib tracks. All lines led aft. Spinlock cam cleats. Lazy Jacks. Boom kicker with boom vang. Garhauser2-speed 6/1 3/1 on main sheet. Three blade feathering prop. Lightning arrestor. ICom VHS radio. Auto Helm.

\$9,500 OBO. Contact Earl Jewett, 204-1299 or <a href="mailto:earljewett5@gmail.com">earljewett5@gmail.com</a>

**FOR SALE:** Class C-Scow Sail Boat 20' long fiber glass, se 'STAMM FIBER JET' with white fiberglass hull, wooden mast and boom. Boat has received limited use over the years and has been stored indoors – it is EXTREMELY CLEAN



and SOLID.
Incl: Main &
Jib Sails; a
metal rudder,
wooden tiller
handle; a sail
storage bag is
also included.

This scow wants to go fast (mast weighs less than 100 lbs.) and is equipped with dual (two 45 degree) off-set steel center-boards. Needs new ropes as well as a fresh coat of varnish on both the mast and boom but the WHITE FIBERGLASS HULL will polish up quite nicely!!! This project is neither too big nor too expensive to be a GREAT family project and requires only TLC and a couple of quarts of polyurethane varnish and ropes. \$850.00 (or TRADE for????) If interested call Karl Ziebert 920-922-1325 or 920-238-1325 kjz enterprises@hotmail.com

#### **SELLING A BOAT?**

If you are selling a boat, Mike Elmergreen will put it on his website at no-charge: <a href="https://www.elmoandbigsue.com">www.elmoandbigsue.com</a> (navigate to "Boats for Sale"). Just send pictures and a write-up by email to elmo@centurytel.net.

