

SAILING CLUB OF ORIENTAL  
January 17, 2009

The Annual Meeting and Luncheon of the SAILING CLUB OF ORIENTAL was held on January 17, 2009 at the St. Peter the Fisherman Catholic Parish in Oriental. Following forty five minutes of wine, beer, soda, and conversation, Commodore Larry Jones called the meeting to order at 1245 hrs.

Gerda Lampe, Secretary noted that inasmuch as an E-mail went out to the full membership of the minutes of the Annual Meeting of January 18, 2008, and in order to move the meeting along at a good pace, it was not necessary to read out the full four pages of the minutes. The Secretary called for any additions or corrections from the membership. As none were noted, a motion was made by Jack Herman and seconded by Ed Braun to approve the minutes, which were then approved by the full membership.

Bob Miller, Treasurer reported that the SCOO handbook has been printed and is on sale here in the lobby and from Cheryl Crowley at a price of \$10.00 per book. It is hoped that we will realize a good return on this outlay, which is yet to unfold. A motion was made and seconded, and the report was approved by the membership.

George Sechrist, Membership Chair, reported that we had 8 new members approved in 2008. They are:

Fred & Nancy Karl aboard the s/v Larkspar, a Pearson 35  
Ronald & Jayne Demers aboard the s/v Tenacity, a Valiant 42  
John & Julie Rahm aboard the s/v Island Chariot, an Island Packet 50  
Michael & Diane Paling aboard the s/v Fancy Tramp, a Morgan 28  
Dodge & Connie Hickman aboard the s/v TS. a Gemini 34  
Edward & Nancy Kress aboard the s/v Sterling, a Catalina 30  
Peter Freeman & Sue Gill aboard the m/v Pinafore, a Sisu 30  
Seth & Susan Hiller aboard the s/v Full Tilt, a Catalina 27

Two applicants still need one more event in order to complete their on-the-water requirements. They are:

Thomas & Susan Osmanski aboard m/s Dusches of Oz, a Bayliner 25  
Stacy & Bobby Taylor, aboard m/v Pelican, a Grand Banks 32

Earl Evens, Vice-Commodore reported that we had a good cruising season despite several weather cancellations, and he is hoping for better weather in 2009.

Vice-Commodore Evens presented the DUBIOUS AWARDS to the following lucky sailors:

THE DINGHY BULKHEAD SCALING AWARD to George & Marilyun Sechrist for valiantly attempting to scale a very high bulkhead at very low tide in order to join the SCOO group for dinner, and finally giving up.

THE TRIPLE CROWN OF CRUISING AWARD awarded to Bill & Maggie Arndt for a disasterous 72 hours on the I.C.W. during which time he got his jib tangled up, got stuck on a dredge pipe, and almost hit a marker. Nice going Bill..

THE FLIP-FLOP AWARD to of all people, Elise & Art Tierney for driving their camper to Little Washington on the weekend of the scheduled Bath-Little Washington Cruise, which they did not know had been cancelled due to bad weather.

THE LOT OF E-MAILS AWARD to Gerry & Cheryl Crowley for their attempt to beat the weather gods and get in our Regretta Race. All was well that ended well as a wonderful pot luck party was enjoyed by all entrants at their beautiful creek front home.

Gordon Kellogg, Rear Commodore presented the Certificates of Achievement to the Seminar Presenters. He noted we had 231 attendees, which averaged out to 19 per event. They are as follows:

Teak Restoration and Re-Finishing	Peter Richie & Beth Bucksot
Cruising to Maine	Doug Sligh and Mary Ann Parham
Diesel Maintenance	Greg Bohmert
First Aid and Medical Issues	Dr. Marc Willi
Marine Insurance, Towing and Salvage	Charles Skinner, Wade S. Dunbar Ins.
Cruising Central & Northern Chesapeake Bay	Bill and Beth Michne
Outboard Motor & Dinghy Maintenance	Gene Wooster and Ross Pease
Brokering & Surveying Concerns	Rich Gahan, Deaton Yacht Sales
Fiberglass Repair & Maintenance	Alan Arnfast, Sailcraft
Sail Control, Trim, and Rig Tuning	Mark Weinheimer, Inner Banks Sails
Off-Shore Cruising and Weather	Tom and Peg Maynard
New Electronic Products & Technologies	Bob Hunt & Phil Williamson, Ensley's Radio.

Art Tierney presented the Robert Hyde award to Ed Bliss as the person who has done the most to enhance sailing in Oriental during the year of 2008. The plaque is on display at the First Citizens Bank of Oriental.

Bill Arndt, the winner of last year's award, presented the 2008 Whitaker Cup Award to Joe Valinoti for his steadfast enthusiasm and participation in all aspects of sailing in Oriental.

Commodore Larry Jones noted that we had four members who earned the 1000 Nautical Miles from Oriental Award, and they are:

Enrique & Kathryn Garcia aboard "Pelican"	The Bahamas
Jerry & Donna Luh aboard "Blue Jacket"	The Bahamas
Tom & Joyce Russell aboard "Whispering Sea"	The Bahamas
Bill & Sandy Donaldson aboard "Lucille"	St. Johns River, N.B. & Martinique

Larry Jones introduced the Nominating Committee Chairman George Duffie, and he presented the following slate of Officers and Board Members for 2009. They are as follows:

Commodore	Earl Evens
Vice Commodore	Gordon Kellogg
Rear Commodore	Gerry Crowley
Secretary	Mary Ann Lind
Treasurer	Bob Miller
Director 2009	Dick Mannion
Director 2009	George Sechrist (Also Membership Chair)
Director 2010	Cheryl Crowley
Director 2010	Ed Bliss
Director 2011	Wyatt Cutter
Director 2011	Pat Webster

With no additional nominations from the general membership, a motion was made by Jack Herman, and seconded by Will Huff, and the slate was approved by acclamation. The SCOO Secretary cast an affirmative vote for the acceptance of the slate of Officers and Directors as presented.

Commodore Larry Jones presided over the Passing of the Flags as follows:

Commodore Larry Jones to Earl Evens  
Vice Commodore Earl Evens to Gordon Kellogg  
Rear Commodore Gordon Kellogg to Gerry Crowley  
Past Commodore Ed Braun to Larry Jones

Now past Commodore Larry Jones made his last comments, and thanked everyone who worked so hard during the year: Beverly Mott, Social Chair and her hard working committee, Penny Monell, Pilot, Ken Small, E-Mail, Les Smith, Web Site, and Kerstin Johnson, Roster.

New Commodore Earl Evens gave a gift to outgoing Commodore Larry Jones.

Vice Commodore Gordon Kellogg thanked all the Cruise Captains of 2008, and called attention to the 2009 Cruising schedule, noting that most events are being repeated with the addition of a couple of new ones.

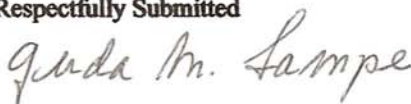
Rear Commodore Gerry Crowley passed out a list of suggested Winter Seminar topics and requested members look it over and fill in their interest, suggestions, and subject matter experts, noting that our Seminars are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

George Duffie remembered Ed Rhudy who passed away in 2008. Ed was a founding member of SCOO and our first Cruise Captain when he led our first cruise to Ocracoke and Manteo.

George Duffie gave the Invocation.

Commodore Earl Evens adjourned the meeting at 1300 hrs., and the buffet was served.

Respectfully Submitted



Gerda M. Lampe  
SCOO Secretary