

## **MRRA meeting minutes - July 10, 2012 at the Boathouse Deck**

Attendees(27): Jennifer Lown, Bob Sherman, Barbara Sherman, Dottie Semonian, Chur Masors, Jay Feenan, Roland Meier, Ann Ballantine, John Ballantine, Lisa Doucett, Jody Decarolis, MaryGail Jagers, Carl Popolo, Stavros Papadopoulos, Kathy McGowan, and Wilma Breiland as well as the following LearnToScull folks: Selene Lehmann, Anita Downs, Frank Paolino, David Morley, John Murphy, Helene Bushnell, Carol Myers, Jill Kenny, Kris Gollihur, Linas Alinskas, and Sam Glavin.

Meeting called to order by Vice Pres. Jay Feenan at approx 7:30 PM.

Festival Update from Stavros

- Estimated profit of \$6800.
- Mostly compliments on feedback – efficiency, professionalism, etc.
- Next year – use feedback to improve

### **Membership/Program Update – Wilma/Carl/Chur**

**As of July 2 -Total Members = 85 and expect to have more joining from LTScull.**

Logbook – 39 →41

LogbookOS - 4

Lobgookpvt only – 6

Logbookstu – 3

Logoffpeak – 1

MSweep - 14-15

OSweep - 21-25 depending upon which session...summer college students enrolled now

LTScull – 12 (great June class and looking forward to July class)

LTSweep – 6

### **Open Sweep update via Carl:**

- Independence Regatta in Philadelphia – Men's 4+ won their event and womens 4+ came in 3rd and Mens 8+ came in 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Stealth 8+ too small and renting Vespoli 8+ for \$100 through early August for the Canadian Henley...+ \$100 for insurance – very reasonable – paid for by open sweep budget.

**Racing Associate Membership proposal** from Bob Sengstaken was approved by the Board and is as follows:

#### *"Racing Associate Membership*

*The purpose of this membership option is to allow composite club entries for races a chance to practice together at the boathouse. We have always allowed for ad-hoc composite club entries at race events, this allows the option to practice in the boat without running into the guest limitations. It is suggested the following limitations for this membership:*

- 1. Practice for race events only.*
- 2. Associate membership must be a full time member of another USRA recognized club.*
- 3. Use of the boat must be of lower priority than for full time club members.*
- 4. There must be a full-logbook club member in the boat.*
- 5. The applicant should sign off that they understand the limitations of the club damage insurance and they will be responsible for the deductible.*

6. *Use of the boat in a race is not to interfere with full time club member entries.*
7. *Boatcaptain approval is required for the transport of the boat to any race.*

*Suggested fee: \$100.”*

This membership would need to meet membership requirements such as waivers, etc.

**Thank you Letter from Elizabeth Shepard, Rehab Manager, Tewksbury VA Hospital:**

*“On behalf of the patients of Tewksbury Hospital, I would like to thank you for your donation of t-shirts to our facility. Your generosity makes a difference and is greatly appreciated.”*

- Note that the donation of t-shirts was recommended by Ginny LaFreniere and Bob Lynch when cleaning out the dreadfully crowded closet in back and found a box of old TRR and Festival shirts. Many of the patients are homeless and come in with limited clothing and these shirts have been put to good use!

Meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:00 pm so that we could continue with social provided by the Social Committee. It was a lovely night with a beautiful sunset. We watched the open sweep boats come in and then they joined us on the deck for the remainder of the social.

Thanks to the social committee for a wonderful social!

Respectfully submitted,  
Wilma Breiland, MRRRA Secretary