



*Anchor Bay Yachting Association*

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## **Minutes of the January General Membership Meeting January 3, 2011**

The Meeting was called to order, at Huron Pointe Yacht Club, by Commodore Nat Pulizzi at 8:00 p.m. and leading the delegates in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Invocation:** By PC Art Brooks

**Officers Present:** Commodore Nat Pulizzi, Vice Commodore Lynda Marek-Bruley, Rear Commodore Rick Watros, Fleet Captain Matt Barrells, Treasurer Terry Dunn, Secretary Rick Romatz, and Past Commodore Lois Conte.

**Club Delegates Absent:** Boat Town and Blue Whale.

**Commodores Comments to Delegates:** The Commodore opened the meeting by thanking everyone present for attending the ABYA November General Membership Meeting. Commodore also thanked the ABYA Officers and Past Commodores, Bouvier Bay Yacht Club and Poormans Yacht Club for their participation in the Honor Guard assembled for the 1996 P/C Frank Jeroue. Commodore also asked the Delegates at the Good of the Order if they could introduce the new incoming Delegates and at that time present any Club fliers or Club news. Commodore asked P/C Lois Conte to comment on an item that came up at the November Meeting with regard to lobbying issues. P/C Lois explained ABYA cannot hire any professional to do any lobbying of any kind; the only help in regards to lobbying ABYA has to offer is with our Guest Speakers at our meetings or with letters as has always been the practice of ABYA. Commodore offered that anyone with any further questions, concerns or comments regarding this issue is welcome to attend the next ABYA Board Meeting at his home February 2, 2011.

**Secretary's Report:** Commodore Nat Pulizzi requested a motion to accept the November 2010 GMM minutes as e-mailed, a motion was made by P/C Lois Conte and seconded by P/C Bill Calihan. Motion approved. Rick Romatz explained that the Delegate Packages would be released via email as soon they are complete and hard copies would be available upon request. Rick also gave a summary of his role and duties as the new Secretary.

**Treasurer's Report:** as of December 27, 2010

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Commodore Nat Pulizzi entertained a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and it was made by P/C Harvey Karpinski and seconded by P/C Bill Calihan. Motion approved. Terry Dunn also gave a summary of his role & duties as Treasurer

**Fleet Captain's Report:** Matt Barrells also gave a summary of his role and duties as Fleet Captain. Matt also reminded everyone of the importance of making reservations for dinner for the General Membership Meetings so that the host Clubs can have accurate counts.

**Rear Commodore's Report:** Rick Watros also gave a summary of his role and duties as Rear Commodore. R/C Rick also spoke about the upcoming Texas Hold 'em Charity Fund raisers April 2<sup>nd</sup> and October at Huron Pointe Yacht Club. Please see fliers and future informational e-mails. Rick also drew the ticket for the 50/50 drawing. Comm. Nate spoke to remind everyone that the proceeds from the 50/50 drawing go to the purchase of new electronic equipment for the Annual Rubber Band Boat Race and thanked everyone that participated.

**Vice Commodore's Report:** Lynda Marek-Bruley Gave a summary of her role & duties as Vice Commodore. V/C Lynda also gave a brief Christmas Ball financial report. With a total of 213 members attending which was great improvement over recent years and gave us a total Ball profit of \$2810.94. She thanked everyone who participated. Lynda also gave a brief report on the Ship Store Inventory and explained the new products that will be available. Lynda also thanked Sand Pointe Yacht Club Delegate Gary Szczesniak for a great job selling 34 Ball tickets and \$250.00 in 50/50 tickets.

**Past Commodore:** Lois Conte gave a summary of her role and duties as Past Commodore, and explained that she would be the Chairman of the 2011 Nominating Committee. Anyone interested in running for the office of Secretary for 2012 should see her or contact any Board Officer. P/C Lois gave a complete ABYA presentation and explained what ABYA is all about and what we do for the Boating Community. P/C Lois swore in the ABYA Board and Club Delegates for 2011.

**Committee Reports:** Comm. Nat asked any Delegates or Past Commodores would be interested in signing up for any Committees for 2011 and briefly went through the Committees.

**Old Business:** Comm. Nat commented that the New Marine Laws meetings put on by Macomb & St. Clair County Sheriff Dept .is on Jan 19<sup>th</sup> at HPYC 7:00-9:00 pm for Macomb County and Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> at Clay Township offices 7:30- 9:30 pm. for St..Clair County.

**New Business:** Comm. Nat stated we need delegates to take information obtained at these meetings back to their Clubs.

**For the Good of the Order:**

**Bay Harbor Boat Club** (*John Zerilli*) No Report / introduced incoming delegate  
**Bayside Yacht Club** (*Jay Wischou*) No Report/ introduced incoming delegate  
**Belvidere Boat Club** (*Leonard Warren*) No Report  
**Blue Whale Yacht Club** (*John Orban*)absent /No Report  
**Boat Town** (*absent*)/No Report  
**Bombay Yacht Club** (*Don Witkowski*) No Report  
**Bouvier Bay Yacht Club** (*Mike Gleason*) No Report  
**Clinton River Boat Club** (*Jerry Reblin*) No Report  
**Conger Bay Boat Club** (*Eric Wolf*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Emerald City Boat Club** (*Gary Rocheleau*) No report  
**Great Lakes Cruising Club** (*Ted Smith*) no report  
**Grosse Point Woods Boat Club** (*Nancy Chrzanowski*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Harbor Club N/S Yacht Club** (*Lee Jones*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Huron Pointe Yacht Club** (*Matt Barrels*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Idle Hour Yacht Club** (*J.R.Nelson*) see flier for 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Spaghetti Dinner  
**Jacks Commodore Club** (*Larry Stanko*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Jefferson Yacht Club** (*W. T. Hollister*) No report introduced incoming delegate  
**Lake Trotters Boat Club** (*Bill Beck*) No Report  
**MacRay Yacht Club** (*Walt Fach*) No Report  
**Mariners Boat Club** ( *Comm. Warren Berhl*) No Report  
**Moslem Shrine Yacht Club** (*PC Harvey Karpinski*) see Flier Change of Watch Dinner  
**New Wave Boat Club** (*Steve Mitchell*) No Report  
**North Channel Yacht Club** (*Henry Siwek*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**North Star Yacht Club** (*Jim Rogers*)  
**Past Commodore Club** (*Karl Bobcean*) PC Breakfast-1/9/11\_ introduced incoming delegate  
**Poorman's Yacht Club** (*Jim Mc Nally* ) no Report  
**Sailing Singles** (*Dennis Mcant*) No Report  
**Sand Pointe Yacht Club** (*Gary Szczesniak*) Commodores Ball raffle tickets-Put-In-Bay trip  
**Shores Boat Club** (*Dennis LeFever*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Shores Harbor Club** (*Don Vendittelli*) No Report introduced incoming delegate  
**Windmill Pointe Yacht Club** (*PC Tom Hepp*) Coldest & Cheapest Beer & Fri nite Dinners  
**Y-Knot Boat Club** (*Sandy Wirgau*) No Report

If possible, will the Delegates who give a report at "For the Good of the Order" bring flyers of the event to place on the front table and **PLEASE E- MAIL a copy to the Secretary.**

**Past Commodores Present:** 1994 – Harvey Karpinski, 2000 – Bill Calihan,  
2004 – Chuck Baurhenn, 2005 – Tom Hepp, 2006 - Art Brooks,  
2008 – Scott Bell, 2009 – Gary Nowicki, and 2010 - Lois Conte

**Commodore's Closing Comments:** Comm. Nat thanked Huron Pointe Yacht Club  
Comm. Carol Sylver and Delegate Don McCardy and crew for hosting our meeting  
tonight. Thank You. Nat also thanked New Wave Boat Club for purchasing tickets and  
having their X-Mas party at the ABYA Christmas Ball.

**Upcoming Events:** New Marine Laws Meetings Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> 2011n @ HPYC and Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> 2011  
At Clay Offices.

**Next General Membership Meeting:** Mariners Boat Club – Monday, February 7<sup>th</sup> 2011  
Dinner is at 6:30p.m.and the meeting is at 8:00 p.m. and 2011 Delegates should attend. Dress is Blue Blazer, grey slacks and black tie. (Delegates are required to attend meetings in uniform).

**Motion to Adjourn:** The Commodore entertained a motion to adjourn, and it was made by P/C Bill Calihan and seconded by Glorianne Gavereau , motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

**Respectfully Submitted by:**

*Rick Romats*

**ABYA Secretary**