

## PRELIMINARY MINUTES



The Lake Arthur Sailing Club (LASC) Spring Meeting was held on Saturday, March 30, 2019, at the Harmony Inn (230 Mercer Street; Harmony, PA 16037).

### ATTENDANCE:

Fish Belly Blue (Ed Hoffman and Michelle Weaver)  
Gratitude (Dave MacDonald and Vicki MacDonald)  
Hakuna Matata (Sean Stull)  
Misty Blue (Glenn Runge)  
Moondance (Gillian Mullins, Janet Mullins, and Scott Mullins)  
Nimeve (Tim Cole and Julia Cole)  
Time Out (Jake Wagner)  
Wayward Wind (Mary Evans and Mike Evans)  
Winsome (Beryl Gilmartin)

### CALL TO ORDER:

The LASC 2019 Spring Meeting was Called to Order by Captain Scott Mullins.

### MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING:

We are unable to approve minutes from the 2018 LASC Fall Meeting as the Secretary was out of town and the minutes were not available.

*(Approval Motioned by \_\_\_\_\_ Secoded by \_\_\_\_\_)*

**These Minutes will need to be approved at the 2019 LASC Fall Meeting.**

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Review and approval of the Treasurer's Report for the 2018 Expenses (\$2,485.17) and Credits (\$2,131.00) as well as the 2019 Estimated Expense Budget (\$2,300.00).

*(Approval Motioned by Janet Mullins and Secoded by Beryl Gilmartin)*

### OLD BUSINESS:

There was some damage to the LASC Storage Cabinet over the winter. Someone tried to get into the cabinet but were unsuccessful, thanks to the sturdy construction and craftsmanship.

However, during the break-in attempt, the culprit broke the handle on the cabinet and stole the "C."

**Dave MacDonald said that he would repair the handle and replace the "C."**

The faucet on the sink was again broken off and will need to be replaced. The club will replace the faucet and to prevent future issues, the faucet will be removed in the fall.

Discussed the 2018 Captain's Mug Dinner / Soup & Chili Night that was held at the Harmony Opera Hall. Over all the consensus was that everyone had a nice time. The venue even allows dogs so any members that needed to bring their pet could do so. The new venue was chosen because of the condition of the Outdoor Center and the Captain's Mug Dinner at the pavilion would not seem like a special event.

**Scott Mullins will send out a Survey Monkey to see if we should rebook the Harmony Opera Hall or if members have any other suggestions.**

Discussed the 2018 Holiday Party that was held at the Ohio Township Community Park Nature Center. For those that were able to attend, everyone had a nice time. Because the party was held a week later than originally scheduled, attendance was low due to members having other holiday commitments. Discussed the possibility of renting the Nature Center again for the 2019 Holiday Party, having the party at another location, or having the party at a member's home if someone is interested in hosting the event. It was also discussed moving the date of the holiday party back to the first Saturday after the Thanksgiving weekend (not the Saturday immediately following Thanksgiving). If we plan ahead of time, we should be able to rent the Nature Center for December 7, 2019.

**Scott Mullins will send out a Survey Monkey to see if we should rebook the OTCP Nature Center for the holiday party or see what other locations members would be interested in for the party and to see which date, December 7, 2019 or December 14, 2019, the members would be more interested in to have the party.**

NEW BUSINESS:

LASC Races

1. The \$25.00 fee has been paid and mailed to Moraine State Park so the club can hold races on the lake for the 2019 sailing season.
2. The Letter of Authorization has been submitted to the both the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission (PA-FBC) and Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (PA-DCNR). We are waiting on the Certificate of Approval and signed final forms.
3. A schedule of LASC Events and Races has been submitted to the PA-DCNR and PA-FBC.

PA-DCNR Moraine State Park Volunteer Work Day at Davis Hollow Marina

1. Discussed how it would be a good idea for LASC Members to participate in this day to show that our group is invested in the park and help to build a better relationship with the staff in the marina office and with the PA-FBC officers.
2. Details of the Volunteer Work Day are as follows:  
Date: Saturday, April 13, 2019  
Times: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM  
Location: Davis Hollow Marina  
Information: Work will entail landscaping around the marina office, edging sidewalks and staining docks. Bring water, sturdy shoes, work clothes, work gloves and a friend.

**Scott Mullins will send out an email reminding LASC Members about this event.**

## LASC Website

The website has been hacked twice over the winter. Scott Mullins is working to make the site more secure. We also discussed how many members actually use the website and if it would be best to move to an alternative social media outlet (Facebook) for members and just have a web address with a link to the LASC Facebook page.

## LASC Facebook Page (Lake Arthur Sailing Club – Let’s go Sailing!)

At this time, we are unsure of who is the administrator is of the Facebook page, but Tim Cole said that he would take over administration of the page if we can get him the authorization.

## LASC Gear on Café Press

1. A portion of the proceeds is generated back to LASC. Items can be purchased at: <https://www.cafepress.com/lakearthursailingclubgear>
2. Scott Mullins said that he could send out a Survey Monkey to see if member are interested in additional items with the club logo (i.e., mugs, water bottles, totes, etc.).

## Reviewed the 2019 Schedule of Major Events

1. Discussed the need for members to chair events and assist with the organization to ensure things run smoothly.
  - a. Spaghetti Night (Beryl Gilmartin)
  - b. Jimmy Buffet Day (Sean Stull / Janet & Scott Mullins)
  - c. Regatta Raft Up (TBD)
  - d. Sand Bar Bash (Sean Stull)
  - e. Boat Crawl (Janet Mullins)
  - f. Captain’s Mug (Janet & Scott Mullins)
  - g. Holiday Party (Janet & Scott Mullins)
2. The dates for the Annapolis – US Sailboat Show will need to be corrected. For 2019, the US Powerboat show is the first weekend in October (October 3-6) and the US Sailboat Show will be held the second weekend in October (October 10-14).
3. For the second year, there will be not be a “Christmas in July” on the calendar.
4. Discussed having unofficial “Pop Up” events that members can chair at any time. It could be something that used to be officially on the calendar or something that you may want to add on a nice weekend when a lot of member may be at the lake. (Examples: Shanghai Sailing, Female Captain Day, Overnight on the Lake, Sail-In Movie Night, etc.)
5. Related to official events, Tim Cole asked for assistance of the club would be willing to assist in a Learn to Sail Day for his daughter’s (Julia) Girl Scout Troop. A few boats would be needed to take some of the girls out on their boats and teach them about sailing. Tim will coordinate this once he has more details from the Troop Leader and can get a few dates where members would be willing to help out with the event.
6. Discussed the need for additional help at the LASC Booth during Regatta Weekend (August 3-4, 2019). Only a few members took a turn at the booth which made it hard for them to enjoy Regatta Weekend.
7. Michelle Weaver asked about having the results of the various Survey Monkey results made available to the members. Scott Mullins said that this be included when he creates a survey.

#### Reviewed the 2019 Schedule of Races

1. If we need to change any race dates or times due to inclement weather or lack of wind, we will need to notify the marina office and PA-FBC officers at the lake. This is to ensure they are aware of when the LASC race buoys will be out on the lake and that our change does not interfere with events for another group.
2. Dave MacDonald discussed the handicap system that was used during the 2018 season. Even with the new system in place, there were zero new participants. This year, the club will try different system. The racing buoys will be placed out earlier and left out longer. The goal is that if there is a 1:00 PM start time, a boat can go out on their own and time their self while completing the course. They would turn their start and end times into Dave or the Race Director for that day. This gives all boats an opportunity to see how well they do on the course without feeling intimidated by other sailors or if they feel they are too slow to compete while the other boats are completing the course. The goal is to sail and have fun whether with the group or on your own terms.

#### NEXT MEETING:

The 2019 Fall Meeting will be held during the Captain's Mug Dinner / Soup & Chili Night on Saturday, September 21, 2019.

#### ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

*(Adjournment Motioned by Jake Wagner and Seconded by Mary Evans)*