



NEWSLETTER and MINUTES June 13, 2023 (via ZOOM)

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MEETINGS ARE ALL ON ZOOM UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE!

ALL VOLUNTEER ALL THE TIME... NO ONE ON PAYROLL, EVERY DIME GOES TO THE PROGRAMS AND BOAT UPKEEP.

USE OUR WEBSITE EVENTS LINK ("Get Involved" button) TO SIGN UP FOR SAILS OR CONTACT THE SAIL ORGANIZER.



SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL DISTRICT SAILS:

Sails over until the school year begins...

COMMUNITY SAILS:

Community sails are continuing and expanding:

1. *Huckleberry Program Marin* has student sails on Benjamin Walters on **July 8, July 22 and one to be set up in August**. Huckleberry SF will be setting up additional sails soon.
2. *Hanna Center*, a residential program for traumatized children have asked us to set up a regularly scheduled series of sails and those will be calendared soon.
3. *Epilepsy Foundation* will have their first sail with us on **July 17 and August 5**.
4. Recall we are working with blind sailors now and they have participated in several of our sails. They are planning to spend some additional hours on **July 1** just learning Benjamin

Walters by moving over the boat and literally getting the feel of the gear. The racing team is continuing to train and hopes to have races begin on Divine Wind in the next two months. David Mischel, our safety officer, is working to develop certification guidelines for blind sailors and will be getting their input.

5.Greenagers sail will likely be in August.

6.Camp Keff sail now set for **August 1**.

7.SF Casa will be having a sail on **June 24**.

8.Our Marin City partner, Play Marin, has now set up sales on Golden Bear on **7/6;7/13;7/20;7/27 and 8/3**.

9.Project Rebound is a departure from our usual population...these are formerly incarcerated adults at connected with SF State and this sail will be a bonding experience for them as they integrate into a college setting. **August 12** on Golden Bear.

10. A tandem sail with our old friend Pegasus taking students from the City of Patterson Outdoor Experience, Aleta, **8/26**.

11.Weekend Adventures (a group from the Tenderloin) will have their sail on Bear on **7/29**.



PROBATION DEPARTMENT SAILS:

ALAMEDA COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION GRADUATION FOR OUR CLASS is **July 14**, with potluck on the dock, graduation certificates handed out, and a sail for their families. Our next class will have many of the same students so will be an advanced class where navigation, radar and other additional skills are taught. The Gaslight sail went very well, the students loving it, and we hope it will be a regular part of our future classes.

EI DORADO PROBATION : Their chief, Brian, promises to set up sails soon.

SF COUNTY is essentially now assigned to Huckleberry SF and those sails will subsume the SF Probation sails. Sign up!



Training & Certification:

The quickest way to move up the certification ladder...and a lot of fun.

1. [First Aid and CPR](#) –Our class at the Berkeley Yacht Club on JUNE 17, went well and the next one will be set up in perhaps three months. FREE TO VOLUNTEERS. As for whether it is time to renew your existing certification, Captain Les sends the following list and information:

As part of the certification for BWF volunteer sailors is the requirement to be current with FA/CPR/AED certification. Every few months we offer the class free of charge to volunteers.

Certifications are good for two years.

Here is a list of current certifications with their expiration date:

UNTIL 6/2023

Harbrinder Kang
Steve Kastner
Robert McKinney
Lynn Magnet
Amy Oates
David Oberweiser
Arnie Thompson

UNTIL 11/2023

Richard Pon

UNTIL 3/2024

Daniel Pepper
Kimberly Clark
Anabel Hoang
Jeff Hunt
James Karp-Lewis
Leonard Lee
Mari Murayama
Lee Stimmel
Jim Stanton
Joyce Ycasas

UNTIL 6/2024

Hugh Shinn

UNTIL 10/2024

Eric Israel

UNTIL 11/2024

Jill Barnes
Scott Barnes
Will Clifford
Eric Downing
Mariette Lapid
Lynn Magnet
Robert Tseng
Emma Williams
Andrew Zimmerman
Judith Zimmermann
Maddie Zug

UNTIL 3/2025

Dennis Castro
Roger Doering

David Dolenc
Marc Gounard
Christine Romanski
Jim Waterwash
Ross White
David Woods
Matt Zarem
Michael Zeglin

2. Certification sail on Aleta 7/15
3. Benjamin Walters has a day certification sail set for 7/21.
4. Golden Bear certification sail on August 5.
5. And recall if come on a sail as a guest or crew, make sure the captain checks out your skills and you can move along the certification list.

MOVE UP THE CERTIFICATION LADDER SO WE CAN MEET THE NEEDS OF THE YOUTH.

NEED FOR MORE SWIMMERS!

With the increase in number of certification sails, we need one or two more volunteers willing to jump off of boats (in wet or dry suits) and be rescued five or six times during the sail. Normally only in the water five to ten minutes each time...and is an inherent part of our training. Lee will co jump with any new volunteers to train as needed...and since he has done it well over three hundred times without injury or problems, we hope to increase the population willing to join the fishes. E mail him at lstimmel@stimmel-law.com to find out more.



CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

Drafts of the curriculum are now being exchanged, including ideas for power point demonstrations, visual and hands on tools, etc. Figure we will have a full program in the next month or two. Want to participate? Contact Lee at lstimmel@stimmel-law.com.



OCEAN VOYAGES TRAINING

Recall that Lee and other captains will be continuing offshore training in Benjamin Walters, in summer probably...

BOSUN'S REPORT:

GOLDEN BEAR: We still have to ponder the soft spot in the deck, ensure dock lines are in good condition.

ALETA: Once again we had the packing gland leak on a certification sail and staggered back to the dock...only this time at Berkeley Marine Center which has now put the first packing gland back in...and it is holding. Meanwhile, we are investigating a grant to put an electric engine in Aleta as part of an experiment and await the decision of the entity offering the grant. Thanks to Jennifer who has stepped up to be the "record keeper" and coordinator of the Aleta bosuns.

BENJAMIN WALTERS: Varnish work largely done, repair to dinghy almost completed, now working on thru deck fittings for boom brakes...all at owner expense.



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MONEY: \$27,093 in the bank. The party, discussed below, will probably end up costing us about three thousand of it...key cost is insurance for the boats which is coming up. We do await the second half of the 100 Women Who Care grant this month.

Boats eat money. No payroll costs...all volunteer...but boats costs never end...



THE PARTY!!

Thanks to heroic efforts by **Kimberly** who assumed primary responsibility for organizing and putting the party on, and help from many others, including Suliana of the Berkeley Yacht Club, the party was considered one of the best ever put on by Blue Water with entertainment, food and drink, speeches by the recipients of the awards and the boys of Sweeney. Pictures say it better, so take a look....





INSURANCE AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE:

Captain Steve is working with the various bosuns to create a short term and long-term maintenance budget both to ideally reduce the insurance cost and maintain the boats and develop an appropriate budget. Stay tuned.

INTERNSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS: A PROGRAM YOU CAN JOIN AND HELP EVEN IF YOU STAY ON LAND:



INTERNSHIPS:

Internships give these students both experience and the beginning of a resume' that can open worlds for them. Jim Stanton is working with Matt Zarem to set up internships at Spaulding Wood Boat Center, dealing with students from Sweeney. This is life changing for the students, a key to a world outside the streets... **Know a business that would like an intern? Get onto the committee.**

SCHOLARSHIPS:

In terms of scholarships, **Sategna Foundation**, our longtime partner, working with Jim Stanton and Lee, is sending an ex Hanna Center student to the music festival in a village in Tuscany this summer. He has been selected after interviews and submitting musical samples. The founder owns a home in the village in Tuscany in which community is all. The concept for the future is to send the two students there for three weeks where they will live with the founder during the festival and be exposed to an entirely different world, one in which values, connection and culture is remarkably different. He will also teach local teenagers about the US music culture and would never have a chance for such an adventure absent this scholarship.

Also recall that Sategna Foundation has agreed to fund an additional Sweeney student once our selection process is completed. While welcome, given the ongoing needs of current recipients, we need additional sources of funding for our scholarships. Our last recipient, Josue', enters his last year for a BS in nursing this year. One of the Board members of Sategna was at our party and is committed to making this happen.

Want to help? E mail Lee at lstimmel@stimmel-law.com.



ZOOM...if you are not already on the registered list, go to our Get Involved link on our website and register to receive the Zoom invitation. Contact Captain David if necessary and he will give you a link... David Mischel dmischel@gmail.com

NEXT MEETING JULY 11, 600 PM BY ZOOM.

We have never been bigger. The need has never been bigger. You can complain about what is happening in the world...or you can step in and make a difference. WE ARE HERE TO MAKE THAT DIFFERENCE. JOIN US.