



NEWSLETTER and MINUTES July 11, 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:

We sail with every middle and high school in the SF District system...closed for summer, next sails in mid September on Golden Bear. Stay tuned for dates.

COMMUNITY SAILS:

Community sails are continuing and expanding:

1. *Huckleberry Program Marin* has student sails on Benjamin Walters in mid August with Huckleberry SF 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 when school begins again in September.
3. *Epilepsy Foundation* is now scheduling regular sails on Benjamin Walters...now set for **August 5** and **September 9**. We may make this into a regular class once we see how it goes.

4. Recall we are working with blind sailors now and they have participated in several of our sails acting as co mentors of students. They also have their own sails and the next one is August 12 on Benjamin Walters.
5. Camp Keff sail now set for **August 1.**
6. Weekend Adventures will be having a sail on **7/29.**
7. Our Marin City partner, Play Marin, continue their sails on Golden Bear on **7/27 and 8/3.**
8. 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.
9. A tandem sail with our old friend Pegasus taking students from the City of Patterson Outdoor Experience, Aleta, **8/26.**
10. Kimberly is setting up sails with Aspire schools and this may become a regular monthly program...stay tuned.



PROBATION DEPARTMENT SAILS:

ALAMEDA COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION YEAR We just finished our graduation class for the students taking Aleta and Benjamin out...the next class...which may be an advanced class...will be set up in the next few weeks, probably starting in August.

EI DORADO PROBATION : Weather has delayed them coming down to SF and Captain Lee will be checking on their current status.

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 next class will be at the Berkeley Yacht Club on SEPTEMBER 30.** FREE TO VOLUNTEERS, MUCH OF IT ONLINE, AND REQUIRED FOR CERTIFICATION AS CREW AND CAPTAINS. Remember, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ON LINE PORTION BEFORE ATTENDING THE CLASS WHICH HAS THE “HANDS ON” PRACTICE. SIGN UP ON OUR WEBSITE EVENTS PAGE ASAP. Remember, you have to renew your certification every two years.

2. Certification sail on Aleta was 7/15 with another to be scheduled soon.
3. Benjamin Walters has a day certification sail set for 10/8
4. Golden Bear certification sail on 8/5
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.

AND MADDIE HAS AGREED TO BE ANOTHER SWIMMER SO WE CAN SCHEUDLE MORE LIVE MOBS...WE NOW HAVE THREE!

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



BOSUN'S REPORT:

GOLDEN BEAR: We still have to plan to repair the soft spot on the deck; the key that was missing from the lock box was replaced...REMEMBER TO IMMEDIATELY RETURN THE KEY TO THE BOX ONCE YOU OPEN THE GATE.

ALETA: We have enlarged the bosun's committee to take on the various issues with this boat. Jennifer and Scott will now be taking on more tasks to ease up the pressure on Paul M, with Paul F advising on engine issues. A list of tasks will be compiled over the next month. The scrapes in the side that occurred at the party have been repaired at Berkeley Marine Center. Lastly, we have put in a request for a grant to electrify Aleta's motor...we will get a response in the next few months.

BENJAMIN WALTERS: Varnish work almost done, some spot painting and the dinghy that was mushed at the party has temporary repairs...it will be replaced with a new one in the next year. Fuel filters changed and bowl cleaned. All at owner expense. Some rigging work in the near future.



OCEAN VOYAGES TRAINING

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



MONEY: \$24,409 in the bank. The big, big expense was insurance which Captain Steve has been working on for months and he was able to lower it from the 24,000 estimate to 16,000...still our biggest expense of the year and we need to make sure funding continues. In that respect, Kimberly is working hard to develop programs with entities that can afford to donate money to cover some costs...

Marty filed State and local taxes and Kimberly is helping to qualify again for no taxes on the local level.

Boats eat money. No payroll costs...all volunteer...but boats cost...



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 and connecting also with the San Rafael police department. Note that both Matthew Turner and Gaslight are interested in internships for our students. 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:

Recall that **Sategna Foundation**, our longtime partner, working with Jim Stanton and Lee, sent a Hanna Center student to the music festival in a village in Tuscany this summer. The idea was a culture change that would change the life of the student. It worked, as he reported in a zoom call to the Sategna board and Lee and Jim...he wants to

return to the village next year and will work to master the musical skills needed to attend the courses there. Next year we will be selecting another student for that trip. To watch this student immersed in the multi national world of these musical students, laughing and practicing six hours every day was wonderful. It could not have gone better and opened his eyes to a new possible world.

Also recall that **Sategna Foundation** has agreed to fund an additional Sweeney or other equivalent student for vocational or college scholarships once our selection process is completed. Josue needs another 4500 or so to complete his BS in nursing this year....and once he is complete, we will begin the selection process for our next vocational or college scholarship

While welcome, given the ongoing needs of current recipients, we need additional sources of funding for our scholarships. Sategna and some individual donors made Josue's success economically possible...along with him working full time and taking out some loans. We need more sources of funding. Sailing opens doors...scholarships help students walk through the doors.

MODERN SAILING has offered four to six ASA 101 scholarships to Blue Water to distribute in accordance with our mission...this will be discussed at our next board meeting.

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 AUGUST 8, 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 NEED YOUR HELP...AS DO THE STUDENTS. JOIN US!