



NEWSLETTER and MINUTES JUNE 14, 2022 (via ZOOM)

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ALL VOLUNTEER ALL THE TIME... NO ONE ON PAYROLL, EVERY DIME GOES TO THE PROGRAMS AND BOAT UPKEEP. THIRTY-THREE YEARS OF PEOPLE GIVING THEIR TIME FOR AT RISK AND UNDERSERVED YOUTH...AND LOOKING FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN US IN THIS GREAT TRADITION.

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



SCHOOL DISTRICT SAILS:

SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL DISTRICT SAILS:

SAILS ARE CONCLUDED FOR THE YEAR AND WILL BEGIN AFTER THE FALL CLASSES BEGIN. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED FINISH OUR 32ND YEAR OF SF DISTRICT SAILS...OUR FIRST KIDS ARE IN THEIR LATE FORTIES OR EARLY FIFTIES!

MARIN SCHOOL DISTRICT

Our first sail with the MARIN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT went well and they are scheduling three more.... *July 21, August 4 and August 11*...our school programs now extend to Marin County. We may be working with Gaslight charters for one of the sails. Sign up on our events page.

PIEDMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT

Piedmont School District loved their first sail and has scheduled another one for **October 14**.

COMMUNITY SAILS:

Community sails are expanding with more scheduled for this summer than at any time in the past: we need volunteers to sign up for those sails!!

1. *Huckleberry Program*, another long-standing entity serving youth now setting up sails and we have our first sail with their students on **JULY 15**. Huckleberry has taken over many of the functions once performed by SF Probation.
2. *Hanna Center*, a residential program for traumatized children have asked us to set up a regularly scheduled series of sails. Their first several sails went well, and you can expect regular sails to be scheduled about once a month.
3. *Urban Adventures* will have double sails out of Berkeley on Aleta and Benjamin on **6/28; 7/26 and 8/9**, all 10-2 with donations to Blue Water to follow. **SIGN UP FOR THESE SUMMER SAILS NOW.**
4. *Project Avery* (children with incarcerated parents) will be contacted by Captain Les...they are old friends of Blue Water.
5. *Greenagers*, a community group we have worked with for well over a decade, has sails scheduled for **8/6 and 10/29**.
6. We are now working with *South Beach Yacht Club* to put on sails with Golden Bear (their sailing school.) The two sails are **7/14 and 7/28**.
7. We have a donation sail with *WPO*, an organization of women CEOs, on **10/18**.

PROBATION DEPARTMENT SAILS:

ALAMEDA COUNTY JUVENILE PROBATION The graduation sail for the current class is set for **July 1**. The students receive a certificate from various VIPS then both Aleta and Benjamin go out so they can show what they learned. It's a potluck (so bring some food or drink) and we will have kayaks and inflatables in the water for the kids. All should come whether in the program or not so we can show our support. Next class will be planned in a few months.

EI DORADO PROBATION **August 7** is our first sail with this renewed program, finally beginning after a long Covid hiatus. These kids come down early all the way from Tahoe...and love it.

CONTRA COSTA PROBATION The sails are now scheduled monthly and are on **6/25; 7/16; 8/20; 9/17**.

SF COUNTY is still working on the type of program they will want given the current state of confusion as to their own students. We have made contact with the Huckleberry Program at their suggestion as described above.



RACING PROGRAM

Captain Andrew and his Olson 40 is ready, and we are now discussing our first team with various probation departments and other organizations. This could be a life changing experience. If it works for these students, we may expand the program to include more racing teams from the probation departments and community groups. Stay tuned.



MAKE AND MEND DAYS -NOW GOLDEN BEAR

Due to various emergencies our June Make and Mend on Golden Bear is postponed. Stay tuned for a new date. Captain Colm will advise on priorities for this make and mend.



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 Golden Gate Yacht Club on OCTOBER 15, 2022. 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. WE WILL SET UP ANOTHER CLASS IN SEVERAL MORE MONTHS.



2. Benjamin Walters has a night certification sail set including live overboard night practice for **7/23**. Our most advanced training: do not sign up unless you have already completed a day live overboard practice.
3. Certification Sails on Bear and Aleta will be planned **in the next few months**.
4. 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.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING

The first meeting of the committee occurred, and Lee is charged with creating a synopsis and plan for further consideration. 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 late summer probably...Depending on status of Covid.

BOSUN'S REPORT:

GOLDEN BEAR: New dock lines and strap on boom; bottom cleaned, and zincs changed; and we still have to ponder the soft spots in the deck. Colm and Andrew will be working on the lifelines behind wheel.

ALETA: The boat back from Berkeley Marine Center with the soft spots on the deck repaired (\$9000.00). The running lights are being repaired by Jim Waterwash. Stuffing box working well. Now we need to certify more crew and captains.

BENJAMIN WALTERS: Dodger and cover to be replaced in Fall. New flares, smoke, and dyes. Rebedded shroud on starboard side. At owner expense.

DEVINE WIND: Captain Andrew reports all is well on board, and she is ready to race.

Recall that a binder with safety protocols is being developed for Aleta and we hope to have it on board in the next month.

INSURANCE AND MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE:

Captain Steve is now providing boat and captain information to the insurance company, and we should get an estimate of costs in the next week or two. Meanwhile, the overall maintenance and improvement budget is being worked on to create a realistic budget.

ANNUAL PARTY AND NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS FOR NOVEMBER THIS YEAR.

It looks now as the venue will be the Berkeley Yacht Club and it will be in November or December. At the party we will have our awards for Volunteers of the Year, Bosun's award, and Partner of the Year. Due to the Virus, this will have to be a two-year Volunteer of the Year award, etc. Entertainment, food, and a chance to see the large number of new members who have joined us over the past two years. These have always been a highlight for our organization as we get to see all the volunteers and the partner organizations we work with and realize the power of what we do. Want to help set all this up? Contact Lee at Istimmel@stimmel-law.com



MONEY: \$39,009.11 in the bank. Note we are doing and will be doing major work and the usual day to day maintenance on the boats. And this balance was before we just spent 9000.00 on Aleta's deck work.

Remember, we need about \$36,000 a year for good maintenance alone, not including the large projects on the boat... And insurance costs have just about doubled to 16,000 annually...Boats eat money. No payroll costs...all volunteer...but boats cost...so all you can do to raise money is welcome.

Treasurer Marty will be filing our year end (fiscal year) tax returns in the next month.

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. Note that both Matthew Turner and Gaslight are interested in internships for our students. Once the pandemic is fully over, we shall begin the process of matching probation kids with businesses wanting to give them a door to our world. **Know a business that would like an intern? Get onto the committee.**



SCHOLARSHIPS: the new Italian Program:

In terms of scholarships, **Sategna Foundation**, has developed a new form of grant for our Sweeney students. The founder owns a home in a village in Tuscany in which community is all. The concept is to send one or two students there for two weeks where they will live with the founder and be exposed to an entirely different world, one in which values, connection and culture is remarkably different. IF combined with an internship or scholarship upon his return, may be the type of thing to change a life.

This program is being developed with help from various probation departments and will begin next. Lee and Jim are putting together the Italian program and invite others to help.

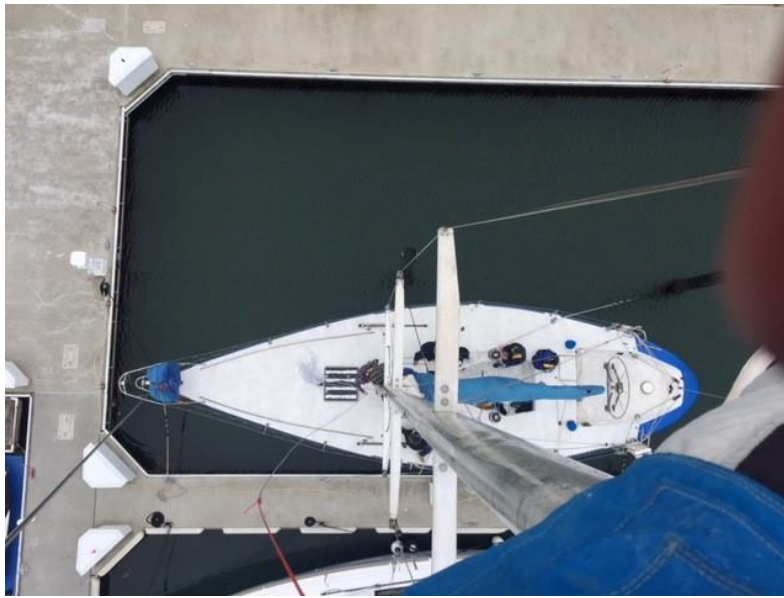
Also recall that Sategna Foundation has agreed to fund an additional Sweeney student once our selection process is completed. While welcome, given the ongoing needs of current recipients, we need additional sources of funding for our scholarships.

Stay tuned. Want to help? E mail Lee at Istimmel@stimmel-law.com.



STORY CATCHER APP FOR BLUE WATER!

April reports good progress and hopes to have it for us in the next month or two.



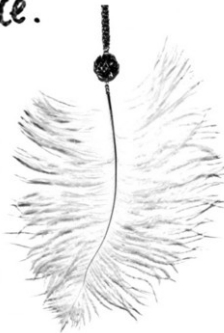
ZOOM...

We have a new zoom link...the old one expired....so 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

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NEXT MEETING JULY 12, 2022, BY ZOOM.

If you don't go after what
you want, you'll never
have it. If you don't ask,
the answer is always no.
If you don't step forward,
you're always in the
same place.



Who are we? Why have we been doing this for 32 years...? To answer that, come on a sail and watch the childrens' faces. See what happens when a gang kid from the streets suddenly sees limitless sky and feels the wind and power of the vessel...

We are like you.... we want to make a difference. Join us and do it....