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MISSION STATEMENT - The mission of the Fond du Lac Sailing Club is to provide sailing events for the recreation, challenge, and pleasure of the membership, while promoting safety, fellowship and an opportunity to improve sailing skills and knowledge.

COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Although we gave it what we had, the coach's outnumbered the students for our meet the fleet weekend. I hoped for a lot more participants, but in sailing terms, we had a drifter. Great first effort and something I would like continually build on.

Youth sailing begins next week and I want to thank all the instructors who are giving up their summer days to help out to make this a successful program.

Sailing is in full swing this month. We have been racing for a couple of weeks and now we should be ready for the big one...the TransWinnebago coming up on June 23.

See you on the water. DW

NEXT MEETING

**Sailing Club Meeting
June 7th @ 7:00pm**

MEETING SNACKS

Listed below is the initial list for meeting snacks. Add your date to your calendar. You will also get a reminder phone call from our snack committee. If you can't make your date, let Karin Whealon know so she can alter the schedule.

June - Kevin Gratton, Ellen Balthazor, Connie Jordan

July - Tom Boerner, Larry Kuehl, Tom Grebe

August - Joseph Wooley, Paul Kaestner, Dave Kuharski

September - Mike Mahnke, Steve Ollenburg, Rob Ritchie

October - Dan Thornton, Bill Freund, Andy Gratton

November - Jeanne Wesby, Dave Lallier, Karin Whealon

December - Holiday Gathering - everyone

YOUTH SAILING

Orientation is Wednesday, June 6th at 6:00 pm. If you want to help with the classes, be there to get introduced to the program. Classes will commence on Monday and Tues.

RACING

An updated racing schedule is posted on our website for your perusal. The dates are posted on the website calendar or look under the racing menu to get a copy of the schedule that can be printed out. Judges are still in need. Contact Jack Boatman to sign up.

TRANS WINNEBAGO

This month marks the race on Saturday the 23rd. Many boats will be leaving Friday between 9 and noon. Friday dinner has been planned along with a morning breakfast. Early sign-up deadline is Saturday, June 9th. It will be an extra \$10 after that date. Go to TransWinnebago on our website. All the information you need is there. You can even sign up online on Neenah's website. A link will take you there. T-Shirts are \$17 and raffle tickets are available as well.

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Minutes of the FDL sailing club meeting May 3, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Commodore Dave Whealon. Twenty three members were present with no guests at this meeting.

The April 2018 meeting minutes contained a spelling error for new members Rebecca and Casey Matthews. The minutes erroneously spelled their last name with one "t". Otherwise the minutes were approved by the membership after motions by Sally Boatman and Brian Carter respectively.

The treasurer's report: Treasurer Marty Witt updated the group on the Club's finances. Two deposits were made to the treasury and the number of paid members was up to twenty-nine. The treasurer's report was approved by the membership after motions by Dan Thornton and Tom Clausen respectively.

Committee Reports:

Day Sailors: – Committee chairman Jack Boatman reported no meeting and no report, other than the first day sailor race of the year was coming up on May 22.

Cruisers: - No detailed report. Cruiser committee chair Marty Witt did report that the first cruiser race would be coming up on May 24. He also reminded members that Brian Carter and Steve Ollenburg are organizing a "destination sail" to Cal Harbor on June 29th and 30th.

Youth Sailing: - Dave Whealon reported that the Laser clean-up would take place on May 23rd at Whealon Towing at 5:30pm. Rob Ritchie reported that all approvals for the change to the Youth sailing dock location have been achieved with the exception of the City Council. However, the project was on the agenda on the upcoming Wednesday meeting. Rob did not expect any problems in having the city council approve the change.

Kevin Gratton reported that 55 youth had already signed up for classes. He reminded members that there will be an orientation for Youth Sailors on June 6 at 6pm. Classes will

start on June 11. Kevin also reported that the youth sailing students will be given a workbook/folder at the start of lessons, rather than individual handouts each week.

Meet the fleet committee: - Commodore Whealon updated members on progress of the Meet the Fleet event on June 2 and 3. To promote the event there will be one or two mailings to sailboat owners in the marina. The main mailing will be on or about May 21 so that the info is fresh in potential attendee's memory, with the following being shared: Registration on line, no fees, lists of things they may want to cover or learn about at the 2 day event –e.g. points of sail, knots, maintenance, etc. sailing club members to go out with attendees (if they want) on their sailboats.

The event will start at 10am at the Yacht club garage. From 12 noon until 2pm would be set aside for on the water assistance - with the opportunity to have their boat and crew's picture taken on the water. 4pm return to the Yacht Club for an informal cookout and conversation. Sunday event would start at Noon with a "Cruise around the Buoy's". An estimated 2 hour cruise with a return to the Yacht Club for "fun" awards, sailing handouts that would include; Youth Sailing class handouts (to be used as "basic sailing reminders") A map of Lake Winnebago showing GPS coordinates for all of our racing Buoys – AND to pick up their boat photos.

NEW BUSINESS

None

OLD BUSINESS

TransWinnebago race: - Dave Whealon suggested members check out the Trans-Winnebago page on Facebook.

Cruiser Race Buoys: Tom Clausen reported that the race buoy GPS coordinates are now on the website.

Race Committee Starting Sequence procedures: - Refresher training on the use of flags and the auto-start horn for races

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following the May meeting did not occur due to availability of the horn. It will be held at another time.

Sailing Club Contributions toward Youth

Sailing: Conversation concerning the Sailing Club's contribution to youth sailing continued. At issue was whether the Sailing Club should provide a monetary contribution. There was a lot of conversation and recommendations that the sailing club find ways to share the information about ALL of the contributions the SC members make to youth sailing; the donation of boats to the program – and what that means in dollars, as well as all of the volunteer hours from members to make the youth sailing such a successful program and function of the Yacht club. Most, if not all of these generous donations of money and hours have been done very low key and quietly in the past – so many YC members not involved in the SC are completely unaware.

Some members suggested trying to tie-in to "family day" with demos of the O'pen Bics and Lasers, etc.

For The Good of the Club

Sailing Club Board meeting on May 21st. Any and all club members are welcome.

Thanks to the Whealon's for donating a laptop.

Connie announced that she is moving and having a moving sale. She provided her address at the meeting. We all wished her well in her move South!

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Brian Carter and seconded by Kevin Gratton. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted:
Mike Mahnke, secretary

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FOND DU LAC SAILING CLUB WEBSITE

See all the new improvements that have been made to the site: <http://www.fdsail.com>. New wind maps and forecast has been added. Also many new photos from last year are now posted.

FOND DU LAC YACHT CLUB WEBSITE

To see the YC calendar and other things going on at FDLYC, go to:
<http://www.fdyachtclub.com/>

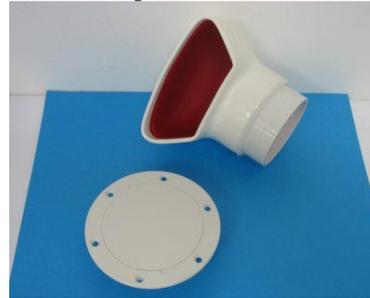
SELLING A BOAT?

If you are selling a boat, we will be happy to place your listing on our website. The **For Sale** page is under LINKS. Mike Elmergreen will also put it on his website at no-charge: www.elmoandbigstue.com (navigate to "Boats for Sale"). Just send pictures and a write-up by email to elmo@centurytel.net.

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