

ALLIED SEABREEZE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Fellow Seabreeze Enthusiast:

Once more it's time to report on our winter meetings and plans for the coming season. We had a total of ten owners at Atlantic City. Linc Craighead was kind enough to take notes, and he can say it as well as I:

ALLIED SEABREEZE OWNERS ASSOCIATION MEETING 1/17/97 MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Gene Reardon in Room 217 of the Atlantic City Convention Center at About 4:15 PM.

All present introduced themselves. Owners attending were:

Gerry Clapp	Guilford, Conn	#28
Mel & Molly Converse	Leesburg, Va.	#49
Linc Craighead	Fairfield, Conn.	#60
John & Jeanine Eaton	Deep River, Conn.	#25
Stuart Eichner	New York, N. Y.	#4
Joe French	West Islip, N. Y.	#101
Richard & Ursula Michel	Lederach, Pa.	#81
Don Mintz	New York, N. Y.	#10
Gene Reardon	Bay Shore, N. Y.	#46
Doug Walkington	Pointe Claire, Quebec	#122

Gene reported on the following items:

He has compiled a Geographical Distribution of names and telephone numbers, an Alphabetical List by Boat Name, an Alphabetical List of Owners with Telephone Numbers and a report of valuations as reported by the members. All of these items were available at the meeting.

The Association (Gene's) Photo Album was available for inspection by anyone interested to see variations in rig, construction details, etc. 1/2 Models are available: Plastic \$180.00; Wood \$350.00.

A Financial Report was presented. The Association has a Zero balance. Out of a total roster of 105 boats, 73 have made financial contributions.

An Advisory Committee has been appointed to help Gene operate the Association, whose members are John Gaythwaite, Roy Harvey, Charles Reid and Charles Williams.

Publication of a News Letter in the form of an "Owners Handbook" was discussed. It was agreed this should be sold for about \$10.00/copy separate from any dues charge that may develop. Update pages would be issued as created. Subjects covered would be peculiar to Seabreeze boats. A prototype copy was seen at the meeting.

The matter of Association dues was discussed. It was decided to continue on the Voluntary Contribution basis for now.

Gerald Clapp reported that Allied Seabreeze pennants are available for \$26.00 including mailing. Send your check for \$26.00 to Gerald Clapp, 42 Faulkner Drive, Guilford, Ct. 06437. He will order as soon as a dozen or more are requested. The price depends on a minimum quantity of 12.

1997 Rendezvous: 2/15 @ Miami Beach
 July @ Shelter Island, N. Y. or Guilford, Conn. (Possible)
 August @ Pulpit Harbor, Maine (Possible)

The meeting adjourned to dinner at Mama Mott's Restaurant at about 5:30 PM.



Linc Craighead

The various computer sorts mentioned are included herewith. The value and insurance tabulations are the result of Charley Williams survey last winter. He kindly sent me all the questionnaires he received, and I couldn't resist entering them into a spreadsheet and sorting them by estimated current value and by the amount of hull insurance carried. If I knew more about statistical analysis, I'd have done more. Anyone who is interested is welcome to a copy of my Claris disk. Furthermore, anyone who is in the insurance business, or knows an underwriter, could do us all a great service by determining if this data base could possibly provide sufficient insight into our membership to justify writing a group policy.

The geographical distribution Linc refers to is related to my effort to get some others involved in the operation of our owners group. The geographical divisions I devised are intended to identify areas where owners might be able to get together on land or water without any great effort. I tried to balance the boat numbers as best I could, namely:

East of Cape Cod - 21 boats
 Southern New England (including Barnegat Bay) - 26 boats
 Central Atlantic (Delaware Bay to Wilmington, N.C.) - 30 boats
 Southern Atlantic (Cape Fear to the Florida Keys) - 15boats
 Gulf Coast (Everglades to Brownsville, Texas) - 10 boats
 Fresh Water - 3 boats
 Out of Country - 2 boats.

I can provide mailing labels for each of these groups to anyone interested in sending invitations to just owners in his vicinity. The geographical divisions also enabled me to make an effort at "local representation" while finding some associates to share the decision making process with me. I've managed to get an owner from each area to agree to serve on a governing board so that we have five owners involved in the operations of the ASOA. They are:

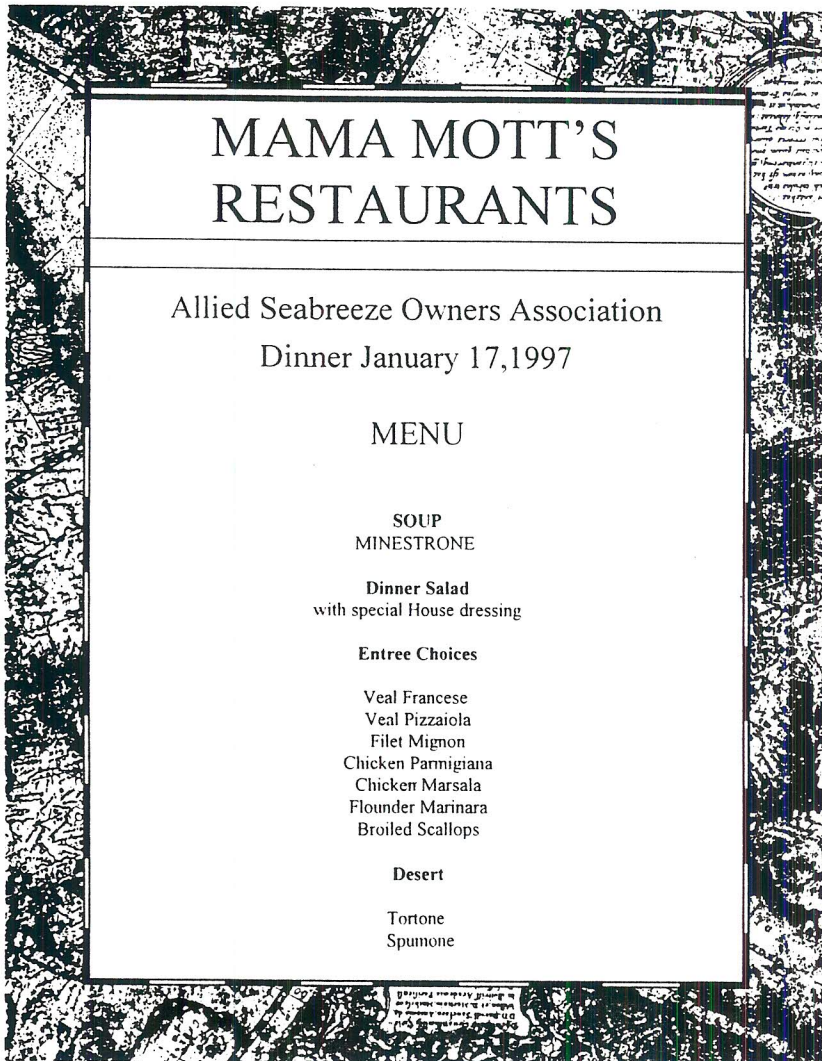
East of Cape Cod - John Gaythwaite, Manchester, Mass. (#14)
 Southern New England - Gene Reardon, Bay Shore, N.Y. (#46)
 Central Atlantic - Roy Harvey, Oriental, N.C. (#127)
 Southern Atlantic - Chip Reid, Delray Beach, Fla. (#54)
 Other areas - Charley Williams - Steamboat Springs, Col. (#65).

As a group, we hope to be able to satisfy the most frequent request that I receive - generate a Seabreeze

owner's manual. As envisioned, it will consist of a binder to which new pages can be easily added. It will ultimately contain everything from a history of the Allied Boat Company and the Seabreeze through practical guidance on maintenance and improvements to a current roster of boat owners and financial report of the ASOA. My initial studies indicate that these books can be printed and distributed for between \$10 and \$15 each, including postage. Additional pages, revisions, updated rosters, etc, would be mailed to those who already owned the books. A copy of the proposed Table of Contents is included in this mailing.

What I need to know in order to plan a printing and the purchase of covers is how many of you are willing to buy a copy. We'll certainly order a few extra for the benefit of new owners, but the bulk of the printing will go to those who have stated a willingness to buy one. I'll wait a month from the date of this letter before tallying results.

As the Minutes indicate, it was decided to stay with the current system of voluntary contributions (see the financial statement attached for average amounts), rather than establish a fixed amount of dues and put someone in the position of being the bill collector. As in the past, invitations go to everyone, but rosters only go to those who have returned a registry form. The roster included with this mailing represents 107 boats - almost 80 % of the production run.



After the meeting, most of us retired to Mama Motts where we were received most cordially. A copy of the menu for our \$24 fixed-price dinner is enclosed.

The gathering at the time of the Miami Boat Show was disappointingly small. Only Wayne Tepper and Karen Stene (#66) joined me in accepting the Krarups generous invitation to dinner. Helge and Bente are actively endeavoring to sell their lovely waterfront home so that they can move aboard *CAROUSEL* (#9) and sail off over the horizon. This may very well have been our last get-together at their island home. I regret that none of the pictures I took came out.

Linc's Minutes indicate our tentative plans for summer rendezvous in Southern New England and in Maine. Please let me know of any other plans that are in the works, and if you are interested in being included in the first printing of the owner's manual. That all for now folks.....

Smooth sailing,

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