

ALLIED SEABREEZE OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Fellow Seabreeze Enthusiast:

The periodic distribution of these rosters and associated material always seems to require me to add a covering letter with some general comments or imagined profundities. This time I'll try to be brief.

The Atlantic City meeting drew 23 people representing 13 boats. We welcomed Tom and Vicki Thompson from Neptune, N.J., who have a deposit on #62 in Florida and hope to close in a few weeks. Mike Adler, the refrigeration maven from Guilford, was also present, actively looking for a Seabreeze. Two additional guests, who introduced themselves as recent Princess buyers but did not sign in, sat in the back for at least part of the meeting. The members present were:

Ken & Karen Basile, Nanticoke, Md.	<i>ORION</i>	#117
Gerry Clapp, Guilford, Conn.	<i>SOUTHERLY</i>	#28
Linc Craighead, Fairfield, Conn.	<i>SUNDART</i>	#60
Stuart Eichner, New York, N. Y.	<i>ALDORA</i>	#4
Joe & Betty French, West Islip, N. Y.	<i>DESTINY</i>	#101
Sam Klein, Hauppauge, N. Y.	<i>ALDORA</i>	#4
Joe Lazar, Landenberg, Pa.	<i>MICHIEL de RUYTER</i>	#93
Ursula & Richard Michel, Lederach, Pa.	<i>DULCINEA</i>	#81
Gene Reardon, Bay Shore, N.Y.	<i>MANATUCK</i>	#46
Carole & Joe Sarnowski, White Stone, Va.	<i>PEDDLER</i>	#133
Yda Schreuder, Landenberg, Pa.	<i>MICHIEL de RUYTER</i>	#93
Peter & Lee Scott, Brooklyn, N. Y.	<i>WINDPIPER</i>	#71
Doug Walkington, Pointe Claire, Quebec	<i>SALLY FORTH</i>	#122
David & Sally Westgate, Mattapoisett, Mass.	<i>ESPRIT</i>	#45

The meeting was called to order at 4:45 and Linc Craighead was kind enough to take minutes. A typed copy is in hand but omitted here for brevity. The material included in this mailing (unless I can assume that you already have it) was distributed and discussed.

We talked at some length about the notion of a formal publication. An appealing possibility would be a periodical in the style of the Seawind II Association's semiannual *Seawords*, containing owner-written articles on maintenance or cruising, along with up-dates of the roster, financial reports, etc. An alternative that would provide a repository for basic Seabreeze information, and also permit up-dates as additional material or revisions became available, is a loose leaf bound manual. This would avoid the discipline of a regular production schedule implicit in a periodical.

There was sufficient enthusiasm for doing something along these lines that we appear to have gotten volunteers to perform most of the functions required. Lee Scott offered to undertake the editorial responsibilities, Stuart Eichner felt he could get the typing done, and Gerry Clapp was willing to undertake the printing and distribution. I explained that I couldn't increase my own commitment beyond my current duties but I will, I'm sure, be the one to produce the background material and the mailing labels. We're a long way from having anything to mail, but I feel something is definitely on the horizon.

At the meeting, we disposed of the last of the stock of Seabreeze pennants that Jerry Clapp had ordered. They cost \$26 a piece in modest quantities so Gerry will wait until he collects a few requests before ordering more. Get in touch with either of us if you are interested.

Gerry also brought a beautifully refinished rudder cap / tiller strap assembly to the meeting. The work had been done by Springfield Custom Chrome of Massachusetts [(413) 739-5181]. I am adding them to our list of Seabreeze sources, along with the name of a firm that had a booth at the show, Traditional Marine Outfitters of Annapolis Royal, Nova Scotia [(800) 363-2628]. They seemed to be well stocked with both new and used bronze, including at least one top-action #2 winch crank. Along the same line, Eric Powers (#51) writes that he is going diesel and his fresh water Sea Scout will be available. John Gaythwaite (#14) adds that Schaefer Item 84-90 chainplates can be used to replace the original parts.

There seemed to be some feeling that the Sail Expo '98 show was smaller and less interesting than in prior years, although the meeting room, which we receive at no cost, seemed nicer. Alternative locations for next year's meeting are open to suggestion. Failing any new ideas, we'll probably be in Atlantic City again. Looking at where our members came from to attend, it might be impossible to find a more central location.

Possible sites for summer rendezvous were discussed. Hank Towers has offered to organize one in Maine again, as well as inviting us to a luncheon in Essex some time this spring. I can certainly arrange for Shelter Island again, but there seemed to be some enthusiasm for getting together in the Narragansett Bay - Buzzards Bay area. Our local reps are working the problem. The Sarnowskis are still game for a Chesapeake rendezvous, but suspect that something a bit north of White Stone might be more accessible. Volunteers are needed. Firm dates to follow.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45, after which some time was spent in conversational groups in the meeting room. Then twenty of us, more wives, a few less owners, proceeded to Moma Mott's for dinner. I want to thank those who got away after dinner before I could speak to them to say thanks for the surprise of finding that my share of the tab had been picked up.

The current roster lists two members, Larry Lane and Ellis McKissick, who have moved without supplying new addresses. There are also about ten owners whom I cannot convince to return registration forms, leaving me unsure of the whereabouts of their boats or even the boat names. If any of you faithful ever come across these owners or their boats, will you please make an effort to gather as much information as you can for the roster and forward it to me. The problem boats are:

<i>ABRAXAS</i>	#40(?)	Wh Sl.	<u>McKissick</u> , Fla.
<i>ALL MY TOMORROWS</i>	#61	Red Sl.	<u>Zabrodsky</u> , Clifton, N.J.
<i>AMBERGRIS</i>	#73	Dk Bl Sl.	<u>Creighton</u> , Greenport, N.Y.
<i>APRILO DAWN</i>	#96	Dk Bl Yl.	<u>Lane</u> , Fla.
<i>CERES</i>	#55	Wh Yl.	<u>MacCauley</u> , Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
<i>HONEYBUN</i>	#97	Wh Yl.	<u>Simpson</u> , Minnesott, N.C.
<i>LADY JOAN II</i>	#111	Dk Bl Yl.	<u>Pace</u> , Threemile Harbor, N.Y.
<i>MARQUISE</i>	#78	Yl.	<u>Manning</u> , Melbourne, Fla.
<i>MISTY</i>	#29	Wh Yl.	<u>Collinson</u> , Wellesly Hills, Mass.
<i>PEREGRINE</i>	#11	Wh Sl.	<u>Falcon</u> , Annapolis, Md.
<i>UNCLE WIGGILY</i>	#116	Wh Sl.	<u>Alexander</u> , Titusville, Fla.
<i>WINDY III</i>	#103	Dk Gr Sl.	<u>Lamon</u> , Port Charlotte, Fla.

Late word from Miami has it that Frank Purvis (#119) and friend, and Frank MacLear, of MacLear and Harris, took advantage of the Krarup invitation. Frank left *GRACE* in Marathon, however.

Have faith. The days are getting longer.

Regards,



Two late entries in the E-Mail derby (see roster page 8):

Southern New England	Gerry Clapp	GBC143@AOL.Com	28	(203) 453-4160
Central Atlantic	Roy Harvey	SRHarvey@Always-online.Com	127	(919) 249-1763

An appeal from Lee Scott, the volunteer editor of our fledgling Seabreeze publication. (All suggestions for a name gratefully received.) - EMR

SEABREEZE - AN OWNER'S MANUAL

Wish you had an owner's manual?

Have you made a fabulous passage you'd like to share?

Do you know a guy who fabricates impossible-to-find parts?

Would you like to know how to replace your centerboard?

At the Atlantic City meeting in February, we decided to have a go at a Seabreeze publication - not quite a magazine, but more than a newsletter. Articles from members, how-to's, pictures. With your help, we can do it! Gene Reardon envisions a sort of "Owner's Manual" in installments....something you can keep, something the Seabreeze Owners Association can pass on to new owners, etc. The exact format has yet to be determined, but

NOTHING WILL HAPPEN WITHOUT YOUR HELP.

For the first edition, sure to be a collectors' item, here are some topics:

Replacing the centerboard.

What to do, what not to do, horror stories, sources, etc.

Boarding ladders to adore or abhor. Those that work, those that don't.

Holding tanks, heads, and other watery tales. From porta-potties to shower drains, tales of pump-out stations, solutions.

Rainsulating your icebox.

Or how to keep both the cook and the bartender happy.

Sources for good stuff.

Include name, address, phone, fax, price approximation.

Help!! If you have a particular problem and you want other owners' input in finding a solution, here's your opportunity.

New members (you promised to send a picture with your new boat!)

If you don't like these topics, send your suggestions for others! This is your publication.

Send all contributions, typed, not more than 500 words (that's two pages double-spaced), to Lee Scott, 2 Montague Terrace, Brooklyn, NY 11201, FAX: 718-243-0223; email: 2170752@mcimail.com. If you can do them in Microsoft Word or WordPerfect 5.1 or higher, I'll return your diskette, honest!

(P.S. I reserve the right to edit all material.)