



THE COCKTAIL CLASS WOODEN BOAT RACING ASSOCIATION

Executive Team Meeting Minutes

March 11, 2025

7:15pm

Attendance: Tara Carew, Commodore; Curt Bluefeld, Vice-Commodore; Jeff Weeber, Treasurer; Cameron Walker, Member at Large; Peter Urbani, Fleet Captain; Lena Cantera, Secretary; Fred Allerton, Past Commodore, Al Barnes, Year End Award; Lou Linden, Marketing Chair

January 7, 2025 Meeting Minutes: Motion to Approve – Fred, 2nd – Tara. Approved

Treasurers Report:

- Well's Fargo \$4,212.50
- PayPal \$5,784.64
- Jeff confirmed retirement of Treasurer on December 31, 2025
- Jeff will provide a calendar and to-do list for the incoming Treasurer
- Cost to reinstate tax-exempt status \$1,000
- Membership renewal at 55; more expected before early bird deadline ends
- Update on membership 6/16/25 - 51 Active Racing members 12 Non-Racing Members
- Annual IRS Form 990 due May 15 to maintain compliance

Race and Events:

- Tennessee Cup date change to September 6
- Atlantic City Boat Show: Successful outreach- 300 brochures distributed
- 30 people signed up for CCWBRA Newsletter
- St. Michaels Small Craft Festival Oct. 4-5; team interest and planning discussed
- Wooden Boat Show Mystic- June 27-29 Volunteers needed

Update 6/16 – Jim Schmicker, Kim Granbery, Lou Linden, Richard Ewing, Idarae Prothero, Peter Urbani, Fred Allerton will be attending to promote CCWBRA and upcoming Mystic Race August 2nd. If anyone else is interested in representing please email Fred by Wednesday, June 18th for Exhibitor Passes.

- Mystic River Race – August 2, 2025 Coordination ongoing, details mostly confirmed. Jim and Kim may give an update at next meeting
- Potential to hold Oktoberfest if an earlier race is canceled.

New Business:

- Structure of Meetings – 2nd Tuesday of every month 7:15pm start time
 - Agenda will be sent prior to meeting
 - Updates will be solicited as needed
- Communication and Emails
 - All officer emails are active
- Nationals
 - Jeff will contact Todd Steffes regarding RD of Nationals
- Race Equipment
 - Rick Loewen working on starter equipment
 - Fred bringing back from Florida
- 8pm Guests
 - The Last Word Trophy and scoring – Al Barnes
Al has set up a scoring system for an end of year award and has agreed to keep track of scoring
 - Marketing Update- Lou Linden - 80 surveys were sent out with 28 responses. Lou has been working with Louis King, a marketing professor, and his class on how to build membership. Lou has provided feedback from the class to the executive committee

Old Business:

- Bylaws Revision
 - Committee(Fred, Tom & Curt) have reviewed lawyers draft and are ready to proceed once budget permits