

# **Mieco Beach Yacht Club Committee Meeting**

Held at DAR, Friday April 4th, 2014, 17h30

**Committee:** Treasurer Garry Maher, Assistant Vice Commodore Nigel Deacon, Secretary Clementine Ellasos, Events Director Kathy Kane, Race Director David Kane, Prize Director Kristen Danner, Membership Director Bonny Taggart, Publicity Director Karen Earnshaw, Quartermaster Bruce Thakur, Vice Commodore Cary Evarts

Apologies: Commodore Pete Allen

### **Business:**

1. Minutes from meeting of March 4, 2014 is approved

2. Minutes from meeting of March 21, 2014 is approved

3. **Membership Report**: 40 paid members so far this year.

**Outcome:** Committee members should use "yachties night out" contacts group in gmail when mailing to members about events.

**Outcome:** *Membership Director* is in charge of un-subscribing members from the mailing list when they ask for it. Unless absent, nobody else should update the contact list **Outcome:** *Race Director* to prepare a proposal to increase the number of paying members.

4. **Immigration and Visas for yachties** – follow-up from Sub-Committee: after long comparative research, it is concluded that RMI is one of the easiest, quickest and cheapest place for yachties to check-in in the region.

**Outcome:** *Publicity Director* did rewrite the information available on the website in order to emphasis this positive conclusion and market positively the attractiveness of the Marshall Islands.

The committee thanks the sub-committee for a job well done.

- 5. & 6. **Update website**: still waiting on the Credit card to create the Paypal account.
- 6. **Outcome:** *Treasurer and Vice Commodore* to provide respectively the bank information and the address information to Quartermaster

**Outcome:** *Treasurer* to check with the bank the status of our credit card.

## 7. Stock management

**Outcome:** *Treasurer and Quartermaster* to plan inventory April 12<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am. **Outcome:** *Quartermaster* to send an email to yachties to request volunteers to help.

Stock on consignment:

**Outcome:** *Quartermaster* to visit Lamalo (below Tide Table to talk with Beny about renewing the stock

**Outcome:** *Quartermaster* to visit Ace One Stop gas station to check the current stock level and potentially deliver more t-shirts

8. Financial report: Bank \$2518.76; memberships +\$295; MIR -\$333.15

#### 9. Club's VHF channel is for now 71

**Outcome:** *Vice Commodore* to get the current list of used frequencies Committee to discuss this point again after more test is done and local government has validated the choice of channel.

## 10. noonsite.com update

**Outcome:** *Publicity Director* to follow-up with the webmaster **Outcome:** *Race Director* to rewrite info for the RMI presentation

#### 11. Plan Post season activities

The walk from Anemwanot to Rita was a big success; Thank you to Kathy and Dave for organizing

- Fun Race Saturday, April 26 with the canoes if available; Skippers meeting Friday, 25<sup>th</sup> at 6pm at MIR
- Backward Dingy Race May 17 in the mooring field
- Summer Sailstice June 21 with BBQ at Anemwanot
- Swimming marathon July 19 finish at NIR; details to discuss at a later date.
- 12. New membership cards: A model of design has been selected.

**Outcome**: Secretary to research price/options for plastic card printing

**Outcome**: Secretary to print the selected to size so the committee can have an idea of the final result.

Thank you to Sofie for her help on that project

## 13. Old website miecobeachyc.com

**Outcome**: *Publicity Director* to keep optimizing our current website SEO (aka google rank); All members who have a website, a blog or otherwise a forum are asked to create a link back to <a href="https://www.sailingmarshallislands.com">www.sailingmarshallislands.com</a> to help.

**Outcome:** Race Director to pay goDaddy and register the yacht Club on the waiting list to become the owner of <a href="www.miecobeachyc.com">www.miecobeachyc.com</a> when it becomes available on the registry; Budget around \$20.

# 14. Next Committee meeting date: Friday April 25th at 5pm at MIR

#### 15. Other Business

- Price Report: almost all prices have been used, exception of a couple from WAM.
  Price Director might leave the island soon and a new committee member will need to be elected.
- Next Jambo Art Exhibit is on April 11<sup>th</sup> at RRE; They ask for volunteers to help between 10am and 3pm even if it is for one hour to help with the school visits.

Outcome: Vice Commodore to announce the event on VHF