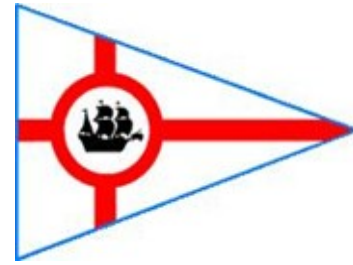


Colington Yacht Club

Board Meeting Minutes 02/04/2025



I. Call to Order

The Board Meeting of the Colington Yacht Club was called to order by Commodore Brandi-Marie Randolph at 5:07pm on Tuesday, February 5, 2025. The meeting was at the home of Janet and Tom Knight.

II. Attendance

Name	Position	Attending
Brandi-Marie Randolph	Commodore	Yes
Geoff Grisham	Past Commodore	No
Tom Knight	Vice Commodore	Yes
Dave Proulx	"	Yes
Pat McConnell	Treasurer	Yes
Janet Knight	Secretary	Yes
Woody Santy	Rear Commodore	Yes
Open	Fleet Captain	
Geoff Grisham	Youth Sailing Program	No
Rick Hildebrant	Member at Large	Yes
Sharron Hildebrant	Member at Large	Yes
Joan Proulx	Member at Large	Yes

There is a quorum of board members.

III. Secretary Report.

The secretary reviewed changes to Minutes from 1/14/25 and motion to approve was made by Joan Proulx, motion seconded by Dave Proulx and all approved by the membership. The change was to officially name the spring poker run as the "Ed Conjura Memorial Poker-Poker Run in his honor. The fall poker run will be named the "Pirate Poker Run". This motion to approve was made by Joan Proulx and seconded by Pat McConnell.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Pat McConnell reported the balance in the CYC checking account is \$6,673. Of this amount, \$3,350 is earmarked for Youth Sailing. Highlights from the proposed budget for 2025 indicate we have insufficient funds to pay insurance. Brandi-Marie states the By Laws need to be changed to eliminate CYC providing insurance. Hatteras Sailing will provide insurance for Sail Camp. Remaining comments to be later in the meeting under "Old Business. Motion made by Joan Proulx to approve the Treasurer's Report and seconded by Rick Hildebrandt to which all approved.

V. Committee Reports

Youth Sailing: Woody talked to Jay on Saturday. June doesn't work for scheduling Sail Camp due to Sailing competitions after the end of School. July is also remarkably busy for them. Hatteras Sailing wants \$5,000 guaranteed. Our idea is to get a deposit for interested children and thus we will be able to see if there is enough interest to schedule a second week of camp. The deposit will be non-refundable with minor exceptions, we anticipate \$75 per student. We need to get our information out ASAP. This is an item to be on our list for discussion with the HOA regarding advertising. Woody will meet with Jay & Meg. Rick is concerned about the old history with HOA & CHYRC. Brandi proposed we set the date for August 11-15 and potential for the next week if registration supports. Jay Phillips suggested holding an event during Spring Break. This information will need to go out soon. Spring Break starts Monday April 21st – 25th. Tom proposed accepting this idea. Woody will talk to Jay again for more details.

Membership: HOA & CHYRC has agreed to a joint meeting with us in March. Brandi-Marie will push for a definite date. We need to distinguish ourselves from the other 2 organizations. Janet & Tom discussed trying to set up a membership committee at the COW meeting. We will ask for volunteers to head up a group. In 2023 we had @42 members and that decreased to 36 members in 2024. We need more members to survive. Woody currently anticipates membership to be in the high 20s this year. Membership fee will be \$125 for everyone with no discounts. COW announcement will include information on the 2025 membership and to bring your checkbooks. Tom asked if "new members" can come to COW and pay membership at this time.? Yes! We can provide these "new members" with the announcement from Woody when it is published. Woody also wants everyone to sign a waiver for liability and also that they acknowledge the club has no insurance. Woody discovered that our insurance never covered any event with alcohol.

Rick proposes sponsoring events that would interest the neighborhood. Sharron asked about handing out notices. We are proposing to find out in our joint meeting in March. Brandi-Marie found one of her emails with proposed dates for our joint meeting. After several conversations, it was decided we would meet with the HOA and CYRC on 3/5/25 at 3pm. The location will be at the clubhouse.

Facebook Page: Woody stated Elaine Murphrey turned over the FB page for CYC to Jay Phillips. That is not acceptable to us. Brandi-Marie reached out to Jay and told him she would take over. Woody mentioned that the HOA would like more parades, so we need more ways to advertise. It was identified that the HOA manages the boat slips. Brandi-Marie proposed everyone get head shots and then post on the website and FB. All agreed. We no longer pay for reserving the Pavillion, Tom or Dave will make a reservation with the HOA.

Change of Watch: Firehouse is reserved, access will be at 5pm and to be finished around 8p-9p. Woody to send out blast for announcement. Janet states that Outer Banks catering responded with a proposal but unfortunately it is outside our limited budget. High Cotton is closed until mid-February, and it is anticipated they will respond shortly thereafter. Janet to check for 2 entrees with High Cotton.

Sharron mentioned a different location where we could rent a party room and have a cash bar, previously we had used Roosters which is now 3 Tequilas. Brandi-Marie recommended PK across the bridge. The Proulxs have checked with the Eagles Club, and it would be expensive with a \$250-\$300 fee for the room only and all other costs to be added for food and beverages. Janet previously checked with the Jolly Roger and they do not provide full catering. Sharron also mentioned previously home cooked lasagna had been made and served at events. Janet said our membership was too small to ask members or spouses to do all this work at events that they should be participating in. It was acknowledged that Sharron and Rick had done so much work over the years, and it was time to relax and enjoy. Tom proposed that we now discuss the proposed event schedule.

Other Events:

Canal Clean-up: Woody proposed a Canal Clean-up project as we have skipped the past few years. CYC will need help and will request assistance from the HOA to send out a blast. Sharron says we have 2 banners that we could display on 2 boats while doing the clean-up. Brandi-Marie says that April 22nd is Earth Day and proposed we consider that date as kids will be out of school and might be able to help. It was further discussed and decided the Canal Clean-up will be scheduled for April 5th at 10am and April 12th will be a Rain Date. Brandi-Marie asked if insurance was needed for the clean-up? Everyone has personal insurance on their boats thus not needed.

Spring Fling: The Hildebrants will sponsor a Spring Fling at their home following our Canal Clean-up project on April 5th with a Rain Date of April 12th. Spring Fling will be in the late after and further details will follow.

Poker Run: Saturday, May 17th will be the First Annual Ed Conjura Memorial Poker-Poker Run. Tom will reserve the Pavillion. Tom will also plan to discuss this with Birdie Conjura. Ed's Obituary stated that in lieu of flowers, donations should be made to the Colington Harbour Yacht Club.

Blessing of the Fleet: Rick will reach out to Jack Colena, our neighbor and the Minister from Colington United Methodist Church. The proposed date for the Blessing of the Fleet is May 24th.

Picnic: Proposed date of June 21st with Cornhole and a picnic. CYC to provide drinks and everyone to provide food for this event.

St. Patrick's Day: Sunday, March 16th – Steve Buick cannot do it this year and it is proposed that we scratch the event. Sharron discussed a previous year with a decorated trailer and Optis. Woody can send out an email requesting a trailer. If so, we can put the optis on and decorate them with supplies and signs. Sharron also recommended using pick-up trucks. We will plan to participate in the parade; Tom will get us registered.

Female Skippers Race: Last year there were only a few entries and then a picnic.

Boat Parade: George Litwin led the boat parade at Christmas, and he was the only member of the CYC to participate. Several members of the CYC rode on George's boat.

VI. Old Business

Insurance remains unpaid for @\$3,800. Woody states that all other Yacht Clubs in the area have dropped their coverage. If we pay late, we must state that we will not file any claims for the period the payment was late. Tom again recommends locking up the boats. It is proposed that the Sunfish be listed for sale, one has recently been sold. It is believed there are only @5 good ones left. A blast should go out listing what is for sale. Again, it was brought up that the By Laws need to be changed to state that insurance is no longer going to be carried.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7p. There will be a meeting scheduled on Tuesday, February 25th to discuss creating an agenda for our meeting with the HOA & CYRC. The time will be 4p at the Knights home. March Board Meeting to be scheduled later. Respectfully submitted by Janet Knight