A message from our president:

Wow! We've passed the midpoint of 2014. It seems like it all happened so fast. The Strawberry Festival was a great success, with even the weather cooperating. After last Summer with extreme heat, and this past winter with the Arctic Vortex, we enjoyed a fine Spring. We made the most of it, as did Clearwater.

The Fourth of July weekend found a guest vessel in the Beacon Harbor. She is the sailing barge Ceres from Vermont. She is recreating the era when agricultural goods were transported from farm to city market on sailing craft. She is a fascinating boat with a somewhat unusual rig that could allow a spar to double as a cargo boom. She also has a pair of leeboards to provide directional stability. They are a neat solution to the problem of navigation in shoal water without the need for a penetration through the hull. Take a look if you get the chance.

We are getting closer by the week to the point where we will be able to make a detailed plan as to how to proceed with the Woody. Like everything we do, there are differences of opinion on the details, but we all want the Woody back sailing. There is little question that no matter how we solve the problems with our aging boat, we can continue to have her documented as the Woody Guthrie, Beacon NY. Historical registration may be a more complicated issue. We are gathering information. One thing is sure, once a boat makes it onto the “historic registry,” future work often requires approval as to materials and methods. Lets make sure we want to go in this direction before we committ.

Seegerfest is this month. We'll have an open house at the club. Before you know it, Corn Festival will be here. See you at the river.

Saul.
If you haven’t yet; Please Renew.  

BSC Membership Form

Name ______________________________ Street Address ______________________________

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Would you like information on Clearwater Membership? ☐ How did you hear of us? ___________________________

Mail to:  Beacon Sloop Club  P.O. Box 527  Beacon, NY 12508

Link to Online Renewal:  http://beaconsloop.org/Join.html

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The Beacon Sloop Club, Inc. is a non-profit, volunteer environmental education/action and sailing organization dedicated to cleaning up the Hudson River and its environs. Our main focus is the Beacon, Fishkill and Newburgh area.

Members meet the first Friday of every month at the Sloop Club Building located just across from the Beacon train station. Look for the building with the Norway spruce tree growing out of the roof! A potluck dinner starts at 6:30 p.m.; bring a covered dish to share and your own place setting. The general meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. and lasts about an hour or so. The meeting is followed by a sing-along.

The Beacon Sloop Club and newsletter are accessible from the web:  www.beaconsloopclub.org.

To our postal mail subscribers: As you renew please consider converting to an electronic subscription. It saves $$s and paper.

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Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting
Minutes, June 6, 2014

The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with a group of musicians leading the club in singing the song “White Wings.”

Saul Rozinsky thanked everyone for their support over the last month. He announced that the memorial for Bonnie Rozinsky is going to be held on June 7 at 1:00.

Saul announced that the Strawberry Festival is coming up and everyone is needed to help. Saul described some of the jobs that are needed on both Saturday and Sunday. He stressed that the festival is very labor-intensive and we need help from everyone.

Saul welcomed new attendees from Gardiner, Washingtonville, Beacon, and Woodstock. Saul then introduced Sarah Elisabeth to give the Treasury Report.

Sarah Elisabeth gave the Treasury Report. The opening balance was $170,651 and the closing balance was $174,402.

Tom LaBarr gave the Woody Report. The report from the recent survey is not yet in. There are work parties at White’s Marina each Saturday and Sunday morning at 10:00.

James Malchow, Rosemary Thomas, Susan Berliner, and Tom LaBarr spoke at length about the Strawberry Festival. They described the various jobs over the weekend and thanked the many people who lead different areas of the festival. A volunteer sign-up sheet was passed out.

Saul Rozinsky announced that a volunteer day of staff from Enel Green Energy did a work party at the clubhouse. Volunteers came from Maine, Massachusetts, Saratoga, and elsewhere. They performed various tasks on the interior and exterior of the clubhouse.

Several announcements about club events were made. It was announced that the Cajun Dance on May 31 raised $1,583 for the Woody. James Malchow announced that on July 19 the Sloop Club will have an open house potluck and song circle from 5:00-8:00 as part of SeegerFest. He encouraged everyone to come out.

David Eberle and Saul Rozinsky announced that a new windmill display was built for the Environmental Tent at the club festivals.

Saul introduced Linda Richards who spoke about the Clearwater Festival. Revival will be held on June 21 and 22. Maryellen Healy passed out flyers.

Maryellen Healy announced that she has Broad Old River 2 and other cds of Clearwater musicians for sale with all proceeds going to the Woody Guthrie and Clearwater.

R. J. Storm auctioned off two pieces of artwork donated by Wayne Kocher. The auction raised $47.50 for the club.

Mary Schmalz announced that on June 13 in Hyde Park is a concert to benefit Clearwater and the Sloop Club.

Bonnie Champion passed around a petition to help save Monarch Butterflies.

It was announced that the next club meeting is on July 4.

Lydia Adams Davis announced that she is doing a concert on June 29 in Peekskill.

A petition was passed around to keep Mid-Hudson Psychiatric Hospital open.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50.

Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting
Minutes, July 4, 2014

The meeting began at 7:30 p.m. with several club musicians singing “New York Town.” Saul Rozinsky welcomed everyone, including new attendees from Monticello, the Bronx, New Paltz, Beacon, and Connecticut.

Saul announced that a club member is moving and needs to find a home for their cat, and that since the Newburgh fireworks were postponed, the soda and water we bought for a fundraiser will be sold on the rain date. Arrangements were made for the sale.

Tom LaBarr gave the Woody Report. Tom said that we need to have a new hull built and we are focusing on maintaining the boat’s identification and the chance of having the boat be designated as a historic landmark. Tom asked for each Woody crew to organize and fundraise. Wayne Kocher made a $100 donation. Tom said we are hoping to have a boat by next year, and everyone’s fundraising ideas are welcome. Ken Miller announced a fundraiser house party at his house on July 26th. Gail Moran asked when the final decision for the Woody plan was made. Tom said the captains and club Board are working on a final plan.

Several club members asked questions about the boat and repair plan, including the longevity of the boat’s materials and construction, historic landmark requirements, and the quality of new wood vs. old wood. Steve Schwartz pointed out that many of the unrotted old pieces of wood might last as long as new pieces of wood because of their quality and that keeping those old pieces might improve our chances of achieving landmark status. Tom said that the boat was not fully prepared for the survey and several parts of the boat were not fully inspected. Consequently, Tom said that we cannot assume that those parts are sound and reusable. Gigi Fris pointed out that not much of the boat is original and that originality is something preservationists value.

Several other club members made observations and points about the repair project. It was the sense of the meeting that information should be made available to club members who are interested in learning more about the club’s options. Tom LaBarr finished his report and stressed the need to get the sailing program back on track as soon as possible. Alan Thomas said he would provide a link to the recent survey report in the newsletter. Betty Harkins said we have had major fundraising campaigns before and should do it again.

Tom LaBarr gave the environmental report. He said the D.E.C. said the Danskammer Plant is not going to be allowed to be coal-fired. He also said that railroad bridges carrying oil trains in Newburgh are in disrepair. Wayne Kocher said people should call their representatives. Pam Krimsky announced that on July 6 in Saugerties is a protest against the oil trains.

James Malchow relayed some details from Sarah Elisabeth’s Treasury Report. He said the Strawberry Festival raised about $12,000 and the club’s closing balance is around $195,000. A detailed and full report will be in the newsletter.

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Calling all Volunteers
The Beacon Sloop Club Corn Festival
Sun., August 10
Noon-5pm
We need: set-up people, huskers, cookers, corn sellers, chili cooks, earthcare people, clean-up helpers, traffic control folks, etc.
Contact:
Rosemary Thomas to join the planning committee or to volunteer
845-463-4660
rmthomas99@yahoo.com

Strawberry Fans –

A thousand thank yous to all of our volunteers, new and veterans alike, who made this year’s festival another huge success. Whether you helped set-up, hulled berries, served, did a stint in earth care, performed, baked, towed a trailer, ran a display, whipped cream, made smoothies, managed vendors, sold merchandise, ran a sound board, cleaned up, parking, or any other of the many, many tasks; we could not have done it without you. It was two beautiful days of hard work and camaraderie well spent.

The first year without Pete and Toshi was hard for some of us but you all helped to bring thousands of people to the riverfront to learn about it and enjoy its beauty. What better tribute could we offer?

The Woody Report

We received a new survey by Paul Haley of Capt. G.W. Full & Associates which was performed on April 28th and 29th as recommended to us by Mystic Seaport. Some of the other vintage vessels that the firm has surveyed are the "USS CONSTITUTION", and Capt. Cousteou’s "CALYPSO". They also act as consultants for on-going repair projects, construction projects and projects involving restoration of vintage vessels.

The survey indicated that the boat is not in sailable condition and that there were no options for a quick fix to buy time before embarking on major repairs. It provides a detailed list of items to be replaced to the extent that the surveyor had access to them.

The survey is available online at:
Please note that the file is large even after some compression.

The captains met to review the survey and Jim Birmingham presented it along with their consensus to the executive committee. The committee voted to recommend to the membership that we pursue a new hull for the Woody, contingent on consultation with shipwrights and other experts regarding what parts of the boat are still usable and being able to retain enough of the original Woody content to maintain her vessel identification and potential for achieving historical landmark status.

There is much more work to be done to get a clearer picture of our options and to develop a detailed plan. Whatever we do must be done right so that we avoid the need for major repairs for many years to come.

One thing that is very clear is that we will need to continue to fundraise, pursue grants, and recruit new members if we are to keep the sailing program alive. We have raised an amazing amount of money over the last three years but still have a long way to go. When it looks hard just think about how many people have really seen the river for the first time aboard the Woody. I’m sure that a few of you are among them.
The Clubhouse Gets a Big Boost from Enel Green Power

We would like to offer a huge thank you to Wayne Chernek for arranging to have the Sloop Club to be part of his employer’s Day of Service. Dan Jones and his team travelled from various locations in the Northeast to trim trees, cut firewood, clean and mulch the flower beds, paint the doors, and generally clean up the clubhouse and grounds. They also planted a new fruit tree out on the point in memory of Bonnie Rozinsky. This made the event much more than a typical corporate work day. We are touched and grateful for this gesture.

It was particularly impressive that most of this work was done in the pouring rain. The weather didn’t seem to phase them at all. Thank you again to Wayne Chernek, Dan Jones, Gerry Stevens, Kevin Webb, Ross Holland, Don Capalbo, and Allan Pearsall.

Tent Cleaning Work Party (Strawberry Tent)

July 17, 2014 9AM to Finish
On the lawn near the Ferry Pier
Please contact Matt Bowen, so we know we have enough persons, need at least 6-10.
Will be coffee and doughnuts.
Matt: 845-522-0780
mattdbowen@gmail.com

Missing

The Dire Dink Sails

If anyone know where to find the sails for the Dire Dinks please contact Don Raskopf or Kip Touraine.

We believe they are in a green/blue bag and were last used two years ago prior to hurricane Sandy flooding the clubhouse.

donraskopf@gmail.com
Thank you to Joyce Hanson for organizing what has now become our semi-annual Cajun dance fundraiser. A very enthusiastic crowd of sailors, dancers, and music lovers were energized by local dance band, Krewe de la Rue.

Volunteers helped with set-up, ticket sales, a silent auction, cooking, and many, many other tasks to make this a fun and successful evening for all.

Music party /pot luck (Bring a dish, pizza, drinks or deserts). Bring your instruments, voice or just your attention. Ongoing jamming, eating and having a good time! Phone # cell 201 376-1316. We will be "passing the hat" in support of the "rebuilding of the Beacon Sloop Club’s "historic Boat,"The Woody Guthrie"! 3:00 pm-2:00 am.

187 Strawtown Rd, West Nyack 10994

SeegerFest Work Party
Clean the Clubhouse and set-up for the Open House later in the day
July 19th
10:00am
Lunch will be provided for volunteers.

Contact: James Malchow
908-405-1433
james.malchow@yahoo.com
Recycle Your Lead Batteries

The club will be collecting lead acid batteries for recycling at the August meeting. We will turn them in in exchange for the new batteries for the solar trailer. If you have an old car or tractor battery bring it down.

106.5 IN BEACON
Executive Committee meeting, Tues. July 22nd
7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

Beacon Sloop Club meeting every 1st Friday of the month: next meeting Aug. 1st– potluck 6:30 p.m.,
general meeting 7:30 p.m.

Farmers Market every Sunday, 10-3 p.m.,
At the Long Dock Park, Beacon NY

PLANET BLUE WITH CHRIS RUHE on radio
station WVkr 91.3 FM, Every Mon., 5 to 6 p.m.

Tent Cleaning Work Party, Thurs. July 17, 9 am,
At the BSC clubhouse, coffee and doughnuts,
contact Matt Bowen to sign up. 845-522-0780

SeegerFest: Memorial Service and Concert, Fri.
July 18, 7-11 pm, Bardavon 1869 Opera House, 35
Market Street, Poughkeepsie NY

SeegerFest: Clubhouse set-up, Sat. July 19, 10
am, at the BSC Clubhouse –Lunch provided for
volunteers

SeegerFest: Open House, Potluck, and Song
Circle, Sat. July 19, 5-8 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse

SeegerFest: Memorial Concert for Pete and Toshi
Seeger, Sun. July 20, Damrosch Park Bandshell, W
62nd St., NYC

SeegerFest: Songs of Justice: An Evening
Honoring Pete Seeger at SummerStage, Mon. July
21, 6-10 pm, Central Park’s Rumsey Playfield, NYC

Music at the Cabin III – a Woody Fundraiser /
House Party, Sat. July 26, 3:00 pm, 187 Strawtown
Rd., West Nyack, NY

Winter Maintenance on the Woody Guthrie,
contact a captain

Lead Acid Battery Recycling, Fri. Aug. 1, at
the August meeting, BSC Clubhouse

Corn Festival Set-Up, Sun. Aug. 10, 8:30 am-
noon, Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park,
Beacon, NY

Corn Festival, Sun. Aug. 10, noon-5pm, Pete
and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, Beacon, NY

Corn Festival Clean-Up, Sun. Aug. 10, 5-7 pm,
Pete and Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park, Beacon, NY

Membership Reminder

For most people membership renewals are due
in January. This is a very critical year for the
Beacon Sloop Club. With the planned work on
the Woody, ongoing discussions over parking
and festivals, and key environmental issues
such as fracking and oil transport coming to a
head it’s important that you renew, participate,
and be counted. As always it’s not about the
money, arrangements can be made for
financial hardship. Our strength is in our
membership.

Contact: Vane Lashua, or Sarah Elisabeth

Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.
For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloop.org, or www.beaconsloopclub.org