

# Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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## Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 42 Years

### A Message From Our President

Dear Friends,

Thanks once again to Alan Thomas and Konstantin Doren for clearing the snow outside our clubhouse before the meeting last Friday. They did a great job.

Most of the February meeting was spent discussing the *Woody Guthrie* and what should be done with her. While it may seem like we have not been making any progress over the past year, I think it's just the opposite. In taking this time to deliberate over our options, we have diligently studied the details and worked hard to find the option that makes the most practical sense as well as one that best fits our own sentiments as a club.

The fact that we have taken this much time to hear the opinions and concerns on all sides shows that our club's model of doing business in a democratic and inclusive manner is still going strong. Furthermore, as scores of us come out month after month to participate in this process, our old boat is still proving its unique ability to bring all kinds of different people together around a common purpose.

As a result of these long debates and discussions, some concrete steps have been taken in the past month in order to move forward with a decision. On January 17th the Woody Sailors met and voted 17-4 in favor of restoring our existing boat instead of building a new one. On January 27th the club's Executive Committee voted nearly unanimously to do the same.

At our February meeting the question of moving forward with restoration was discussed and a vote on the question was postponed until the March 6th membership meeting. I hope everyone interested in the Woody and the sailing program will do their best to attend the meeting on that date. In the meantime, I hope you will all review the most recent survey of the boat (a digital file can be found at [http://www.beaconsloopcluboffice.org/sites/default/files/Survey\\_Giffy\\_Full\\_small.pdf](http://www.beaconsloopcluboffice.org/sites/default/files/Survey_Giffy_Full_small.pdf)). It's very important for us all to be as informed as possible as we continue toward a final decision and try to be the best stewards of our sloop *Woody Guthrie* that we can be.

See you soon,  
James

#### **Inside this issue:**

**MLK Day**, anything but dull evenings, upcoming events, and much more.....



**NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, February 24th 7:00 p.m.**

**NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, March 6th 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Membership donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_ New Member \_\_\_\_\_ Save Our Sloop Fund donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership suggested donation \$25.00. Minimum of \$10.00. Please give more if you can afford it!  
If you can't afford the minimum, the fee may be waived.

Newsletter format(check one): Printed  E-mail  Please consider e-mail it saves money and paper.

Additional Members at this address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

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>**

The **Beacon Sloop Club Broadside** is the official monthly newsletter of the **Beacon Sloop Club, Inc.**

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](http://www.beaconsloopclub.org).

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## Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting

Minutes, February 6, 2015

The meeting began with the singing of what Odetta referred to as her "Freedom Trilogy". James thanked those who shoveled the snow at the Clubhouse. New people introduced themselves.

Sarah Elisabeth gave the Treasury report. The opening balance was \$204,615 and the closing balance was \$206,975.

James reported that JC Calderon stepped down as Vice-president of the club. The board appointed Saul Rosinsky to fill the seat, subject to General Membership ratification. A motion was made, seconded and approved.

Don Raskopf, Woody Maintenance Coordinator, said that at the January Woody Sailors' meeting, they voted (17-4) to restore the Woody. At the 1/27/15 Executive Committee meeting, the board also voted (15-1) to restore the Woody. Don made the motion for the General Membership to vote to restore the Woody.

Kevin Haydon passed out a sheet that he said showed cost comparisons of restoration vs. repair with restoration running significantly higher. He said he felt that if the Rocking the Boat accepted the project and helped with funding, he could support restoration but couldn't vote just for restoration. Also handed out was the survey that although available, had not been seen by all.

A long discussion followed.

*Don R. said the motion was raised because there has been overwhelming sentiment to work toward restoration.*

*Tom Labarr said there are parts of the boat that are relatively new and could be used in restoration. In keeping with our environmental mission, he sees no reason to build a new boat. We need to pull together to raise the money. We have done it before.*

*Joyce read a message from Connie Hograth, who favors a new boat, which can get guests on the water as soon as possible. Also, Joyce felt we should get figures from Rocking the Boat before voting.*

*Dave Eberle said there is significant sentiment to keep the Woody but voiced concern that we work in a financially responsible manner.*

*Bonnie Champion asked that we all work together in a kind way.*

*John Gannon gave a pitch for his brother from Gannon l& Benjamin to build a boat.*

*Saul recalled that Pete was surprised at the cost of things and would say 'let's build rowboats and get some kids out on the water'. Saul commented that our sloop club model of owning a boat is unwieldy. Also that it is customary to have 3 bids and that we only have 2 for new boat construction and 1 restoration bid. Don suggested modifying the motion to approve pursuit of restoration so that Jim Birmingham can comfortably pursue bids.*

A decision was made to table the motion until the March

Other business and announcements:

Tom Labarr passed out the Woody dinner flyer.

The next Environmental Series programs are Feb 12 & March 12.

Riverkeeper's training program is full. There may be another.

Francis invited all to her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday party

A ReCommunity Recycling Center tour will be presented for the BSC – See Joyce Hanson

Fellowship of Reconciliation, Nyack has a film series on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month – go to ForUSA.org



### ReCommunity Recycling Tours with Sarah Womer Wed., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 10 am Fri. Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>, 3:00 pm

Sarah Wormer (Zero to Go) will give a guided tour of this facility. Learn about the recycling process at this plant. The Wednesday, February 18 tour starts 10am please meet at 9:45am at the ReCommunity Recycling, 508 Fishkill Avenue, Beacon, NY 12508 The March 20 tour will meet at 2:45pm.

No more than 20 people are allowed to walk through at the same time. It takes about an hour and half to see the facility. Everyone must wear closed-toed shoes. Photos are not permitted in the facility.

This facility handles all the recycling for Dutchess County, and it's a single stream operation. More information on the operation is available at: [www.recommunity.com](http://www.recommunity.com).

To attend please email Joyce Hanson, [joycehanson@mac.com](mailto:joycehanson@mac.com) with your name and phone number. Registration a must in advance



### MLK Day Parade

By this winter's standards it was a balmy day and a great crowd turned out for the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual MLK singing parade in Beacon. There were several politicians on hand but this was a day for the people of Beacon. Although the events in Ferguson and NY were on folk's minds there was a spirit of hope and joy in the crowd, punctuated by three eagles circling over Main St. as we passed. Thank you to Bonnie Champion for organizing this event.





## DEC Statement on ALJ Ruling Regarding Indian Point Proceeding

### ALJ Rules Forced Outages Must be Further Evaluated as an Alternative to Limit Impacts to Aquatic Life from Indian Point Operations

A state Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) Administrative Law Judge today issued a preliminary ruling to allow further evaluation of permanent forced outages as one alternative to reduce the impacts to aquatic life at the Indian Point Energy Center in Buchanan, Westchester County. The ALJ issued this ruling as part of the ongoing administrative hearing on the Indian Point facility.

No final decision has been made on any of the alternatives proposed in this proceeding. DEC staff and the other parties to the proceeding have proposed several technologies to be evaluated. The hearing process will fully examine whether outages could be implemented cost effectively and without impacts on reliability. Other alternatives to be evaluated include: requiring the company to install wedgewire screens at intake pipes; requiring the company to install closed-cycle cooling towers; and a "no action" alternative.

#### Additional Information Provided on Background: Highlights of DEC staff's Brief on Forced Outages

Under the federal Clean Water Act, DEC must seek to reduce the impact to aquatic life as part of the ongoing operation of the Indian Point facility. As part of the process, DEC must consider reasonable alternatives to achieve the goals of the Clean Water Act. Alternatives weighed in this process would be used to formulate DEC's determination on the best technology available to reduce impacts.

DEC staff previously provided a fact sheet regarding the permanent forced outages alternative. The fact sheet outlined six potential outage scenarios. One outage scenario would require shutting down for an average of 42 days during prime fish migrations, between May 10 and August 10. None of the alternatives would be implemented in 2015.

Con Edison implemented outages when it owned the facilities and this practice is consistent with what has been done at other facilities on the Hudson River.

Here are links where you can find more information on DEC's website.

[Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 2, LLC, Entergy Nuclear Indian Point 3, LLC, and Entergy Nuclear Operations, Inc. Indian Point Fact Sheet on Scheduled BTA Outages \(PDF, 317 KB\)](#)

#### Additional Information Provided on Background: Hearing Process

The ruling is subject to appeal to the DEC Assistant Commissioner for Hearings and Mediation Services. Any appeal must be submitted by Friday, March 6, 2015. Responses to any appeal are due by Friday, April 10, 2015. The ruling may be affirmed, modified or reversed on appeal. Accompanying the ALJ issues ruling is an order that establishes a schedule relating to further steps in the process.



Date	Action
Friday, February 20, 2015	Department Staff and Riverkeeper to advise administrative law judges and parties as to which outage scenarios will be advanced at the adjudicatory hearing. If neither party intends to limit its respective presentation, Department Staff and Riverkeeper will advise the administrative law judges and the parties accordingly.
Friday, March 6, 2015	Service of appeals of outages issues ruling.
Friday, March 27, 2015	Service of discovery requests related to issues of outages, interim measures, and flow reductions.
Friday, April 10, 2015	Service of responses to appeals of outages issues ruling.
Friday, May 1, 2015	Service of discovery responses, objections, and production or responsive, non-privileged documents not subject to objection concerning issues of outages, interim measures, and flow reductions.
Friday, May 15, 2015	Discovery motions to be served.
Friday, May 29, 2015	Deadline for service of opposition to discovery motions.
Friday, June 26, 2015	Deadline for submission of pre-filed direct expert testimony related to issues of outages, interim measures, and flow reductions.
Wednesday, July 15, 2015	Pre-hearing motion conference.
Friday, August 7, 2015	Deadline for submission of pre-filed rebuttal expert testimony related to issues of outages, interim measures, and flow reductions.
Monday, September 14 to Friday, October 2, 2015	Adjudicatory hearing on issues of outages, interim measures, and flow reductions.
Friday, November 20, 2015	Initial briefs on closed cycle cooling, outages, interim measures, and flow reductions portion of hearing.
Friday, December 18, 2015	Reply briefs on closed cycle cooling, outages, interim measures, and flow reductions portion of hearing.



**2015 Lecture Series Draws Enthusiastic Crowds**

The Beacon Sloop Club's annual winter lecture series kicked off in January with Sharon Rowe, CEO of ECOBAGS introducing a screening of the award-winning documentary *Bag It*.

Following the film she gave an engaging talk about her experience attempting to remove plastic from her life,

which led to a lively Q&A and discussion about what the club and individuals can do. Tom LaBarr spoke about efforts in the Town of Fishkill to ban plastic bags and Sarah Wormer spoke about recycling efforts in Dutchess County.

We want to thank Sharon again for her time as speaker, MC, and moderator. We all left more motivated and informed, determined to make a difference in our communities.



Our February lecture featured a performance from legendary folk musician David Massengill on the mountain dulcimer.

He kept us glued to our seats with tales of his days on the road with Dave Van Ronk, and the folk scene in Greenwich Village in between performances of his unique songs, both new and old.

I think we all learned a new respect for one of the oldest of folk instruments as it came alive

in his hands. His hand carved Elvis Martin dulcimer is a work of art in its own right; it seemed even more so after David told us the stories about its maker. We want to thank him again for a memorable evening.



**The Beacon Sloop Club Presents**

**Our Rivers on Drugs**

A Lecture and Discussion with

**Dr. Emma Rosi-Marshall**

Thursday Mar. 12

7:00 PM

at the

**Beacon Sloop Club**  
(Beacon Harbor)

A Free Event

Prescription Drugs

Over-the-counter medications



Cosmetics

Learn how pharmaceutical pollution harms aquatic life and compromises the health of our nation's freshwaters and what is needed to combat the growing problem.



Dr. Rosi-Marshall conducts research at the Cary Institute on factors that control and influence ecosystem function in human-dominated ecosystems. Dr. Rosi-Marshall's research focuses on several aspects of human modifications to freshwater ecosystems such as land use change and restoration, widespread agriculture and associated crop byproducts, urbanization and the release of novel contaminants, and hydrologic modifications associated with dams.

**Discount for Beacon Sloop Club Members**



Use code **2015beacon** and save 15% off an order of \$40.00 or more.

Doesn't apply to shipping and cannot be combined with other offers or custom print.

Be The Change,

**Sharon Rowe**  
CEO & Founder



Beacon Sloop Club Treasury Report								
Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth								
Wednesday, January 28, 15								
BSC General Fund	Amount	Snailmail	Paypal	Woody & Small Boats	Festival & Event	Newsletter	Harbor	Clubhouse
Donation	261.26							
Save Our Sloop	1400.00				1200.00			
Membership	1238.35	420.00	540.00		278.35			
<b>Total</b>	<b>2899.61</b>							
US Sailing	-175.00			-175.00				
Broadside	-364.44					-364.44		
<b>Total</b>	<b>-539.44</b>							
<b>Total Monthly Income &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>2360.17</b>	<b>420.00</b>	<b>540.00</b>	<b>-175.00</b>	<b>1478.35</b>	<b>-364.44</b>		
Opening Balance	204615.43							
Closing Balance	206975.60							



**106.5 IN BEACON**



**The Beacon Sloop Club announces its 9th Annual Benefit Dinner for the Sloop Woody Guthrie**

Sunday, March 1st

Towne Crier Cafe, 379 Main Street, Beacon.

Cocktail hour and appetizers begin at 5 pm. A buffet dinner follows at 6, with raffle and door prizes. Live music is by the Elissa Jones Band, a kinetic band known for buoyantly blending elements of rock, jazz, blues, funk, country, folk and tango into a good time.

Proceeds are for the restoration of the Beacon Sloop Club's environmental education sailing sloop, the Woody Guthrie, which needs a new hull this year. Donation: \$75.

Reservations required; the deadline is February 24<sup>th</sup>. However, space is limited, so we suggest you reserve now! For dinner details and to print a reservation form: [www.beaconsloopclub.org](http://www.beaconsloopclub.org).

To reserve online:

<http://woodydinner.brownpapertickets.com>.

For more information: See us on Facebook, Beacon Sloop Club; email Tom LaBarr,

[labarrt@engr.newpaltz.edu](mailto:labarrt@engr.newpaltz.edu); or call 845-831-4267.

*9th Annual  
Sloop Woody Guthrie Benefit Dinner*

*Sunday, March 1st*

*At the Towne Crier Cafe,  
379 Main Street, Beacon*

*Proceeds for the Woody's Restoration!*

*Cocktail Hour 5:00 - 6:00*

*Cash Bar*

*Live Music by E'Lissa Jones Band*

*Raffle                      Door Prizes*

*Buffet Dinner Includes:*

*Beverages:*

*Soft Drinks, Coffee & Decaf, Assortment of GH Ford Teas*

*Appetizers:*

*Vegetable Crudité & Dip, Assorted Cheeses & Crackers,  
Squash and Apple Arancini, Baba Ghanouj, Hummus,  
Mixed Organic Salad Greens and dressing*

*Entrees:*

*Sesame Crusted Tofu - Asian style with sautéed broccoli rabe, roasted red bliss  
potatoes & sauce Mostrada.*

*Rigatoni with Broccoli Rabe and Sausage*

*Chicken (free range) Cutlet Francese*

*Grilled Scottish Salmon Fillet*

*...all served with an assortment of sautéed vegetables and roasted potatoes.*

*Dessert:*

*Belgian Chocolate Walnut Brownies  
(served with chantilly whipped cream)*

*Donation: \$75.00 per person*

*Reservations required. Deadline is February 24<sup>th</sup>*

*However, space is limited, so we suggest you reserve now!*

*For information, call or email*

*Tom LaBarr: 845-831-4267 labarrt@engr.newpaltz.edu*



# 9th Annual Sloop Woody Guthrie Benefit Dinner Reservation Form

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Raffle

Door Prizes

Donation: \$75.00 per person

Deadline is February 24<sup>th</sup>

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Persons \_\_\_\_

Amount of Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

Please send Form & Check made out to:  
Beacon Sloop Club / memo: "Woody Dinner"

Mail to: Beacon Sloop Club c/o Tom LaBarr  
1347 Route 9D - Beacon, NY 12508

## Current Calendar


**Executive Committee meeting**, Tues. February 24th 7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

**Beacon Sloop Club meeting** every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month: next meeting March 6th– 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.

Winter tasks for the Woody, wrapping mast and Boom  
Contact Don Raskopf



**Water - An International Crisis:** Access, Pollution, Drought, Flooding. Our Primary Resource for Survival. **This Tuesday, 2/17 @ 5:30pm Ophir Room**



*with*  
  
**John Cronin** has dedicated his career to environment and innovation. For his accomplishments, Time magazine named him a "Hero for the Planet" and People magazine described him as "equal parts detective, scientist and public advocate."

The Connie Hogarth Center for Social Action

**March 20th ReCommunity Recycling Tour with Sarah Womer 3pm - advance registration only starts on Feb 20th [joycehanson@mac.com](mailto:joycehanson@mac.com) with phone number**

**Forum on Environmental Threats, New and Old, Sat. Mar. 21, 2:00 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse**

**History of the NY Aqueduct System, Thurs. Apr. 9, 7:00 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse**

**Feb. 18th ReCommunity Recycling Tour with Sarah Womer 10am**  
advance registration only [joycehanson@mac.com](mailto:joycehanson@mac.com) with phone number

**Francis Cott's 91<sup>st</sup> Birthday Celebration, Sun., Feb 22, 10:30 Service, 11:45 Pot Luck and music, UUCRT, 9 Vance Ln., Rock Tavern NY**

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Woody Guthrie Dinner, Sun. March 1, 5 pm, at the Towne Crier Café, 379 Main ST, Beacon**

**Pharmaceuticals in the Watershed – with Dr. Emma Rossi-Martin, Thurs. Mar. 12, 7:00 pm, at the BSC Clubhouse**

### 2015 festival Dates

**Strawberry Festival Sun. June 14**  
Contact: Rosemary Thomas

**Corn Festival Sun. August 9**  
Contact: Bonnie Champion  
845-255-6436  
<mailto:bonniechampion@gmail.com>

**Pumpkin Festival Sun. October 18**  
Contact: David Eberle

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