# Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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# Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 41 Years

## 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.

#### Inside this issue:

**Thank you Strawberry Volunteers**, a visit from Enel Green Power, learning the two-step, upcoming events, and much more..





Saul.

NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING IS Tuesday, July 22nd 7:00 p.m. –NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING IS FRIDAY, August 1<sup>st</sup> 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

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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.

#### To our postal mail subscribers:

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Alan Thomas, PO Box 430, Hughsonville, NY 12537

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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 <u>everyone</u> 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 attenders 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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#### 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 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> 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: <a href="http://www.beaconsloopcluboffice.org/sites/default/file">http://www.beaconsloopcluboffice.org/sites/default/file</a> s/Survey Giffy Full small.pdf

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.

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@vahoo.com

#### July Minutes (Continued from page 3)

Gail Moran reported on the Sloop Club Congress. She said several clubs were there and are still active. Manna Jo Greene and Peter Gross made presentations. Peter said that he would like to bring Clearwater and all of its Sloop Clubs closer.

Saul Rozinsky announced that the Strawberry Tent needs to be unfolded and dried out to stop mildew. A work party was planned with Matt Bowen leading it.

Rosemary Thomas thanked everyone for their hard work at the Strawberry Festival and reminded the club that the Corn Festival is coming up. Requests for volunteers were made, and Rosemary and Phyllis invited everyone to help plan the festival and give ideas.

Tinya Seeger and James Malchow reported on SeegerFest. Tinya gave out flyers and explained what all the events are going to be. James described the Sloop Club's potluck and song circle on July 19th. A work party to clean the clubhouse will be held on the 19th at 10:00.

Discussion returned to the Woody. Saul Rozinsky said that there are lots of different options that the club needs to sort out. These include building an entirely new boat, reusing parts of the old Woody, or taking the boat apart and replacing rotted parts. Gail Moran said that according to the club's bylaws, any decision made by the board needs to be ratified by the full membership. James Malchow asked that we devote a large block of the August meeting to discussion about the Woody and information should be made available. Alan Thomas noted that not all of the information we hope to use exists. Don Raskopf said that we do have some estimates and they should be made available. Saul said that with the expectation of cost overruns it is difficult to sort through bids. Steve Schwartz said that though it may be more expensive, it may make the most sense to pay more and take more time to end up with a more intact and original Woody. Saul said maybe it is possible to salvage parts more economically than to disassemble the boat piece by piece. Steve van der Merwe said that we should wait to send out grant proposals until we have a clear plan. Gigi Fris, Alan Thomas, and Saul Rozinsky all discussed the grants process. Many club members shared additional thoughts about the boat project, and discussion continued at length. It was agreed that discussion would continue at the August meeting.

Pat Lamanna announced that the People's Music Network is having a January gathering in Beacon and help is needed to organize housing and other details.

Maria Young announced that there will be climate action in Washington D.C. in July and that she has milkweed seeds available.

The meeting broke at 9:26 p.m.

#### **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

#### 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.





#### **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

#### **Two-stepping for the Woody**



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



Seeger Fest
July 13th thru July 21st 2014

Seeger Fest remembers Pete and Toshi with film, memorial concerts, boats, photos, square dance, & music old and new. All events are FREE. Tickets for July 18th Bardayon Memorial in person only, starting May 27th. Friends/family from a very long distance write Tinya for Bardayon night.

Thursday July 17th Pete Seeger: The Power of Song - film screening at Pier 46
Live Music by The Chapin Sisters and Alanna and Adira Amram
8-10:30 PM Q & A afterwards with producers and musicians from film
Pier 46 Greenwich Village, N.Y., N.Y.
http://www.hudsonriverpark.org/explore-the-park/locations/pier-46

Friday July 18th

Memorial Service and Concert at the Bardavon 1869 Opera House
7 PM to 11 PM, 35 Market Street, Poughkeepsie, NY
http://www.bardavon.org

Saturday July 19th Community Day in NYC and in the Hudson Valley

South Bronx Seeger Fest at Rocking the Boat 12 PM to 5 PM
A Community Celebration in Memory of Pete and Toshi
Music, Boats, family day, - Lafayette and Edgewater Ave.
812 Edgewater Rd., Bronx, NY 10474 <a href="http://www.rockingtheboat.org">http://www.rockingtheboat.org</a>

Film and Photo Exhibit at El Taller Latino Americano \* - 8 PM 2710 Broadway, NYC, NY 10025 <a href="http://tallerlatino.org/Contact.php">http://tallerlatino.org/Contact.php</a> \*This is the only non-wheelchair accessible location

Circle of Song, Pot Luck Dinner and Riverpool in Beacon 5-8 PM
Beacon Sloop Club. Riverpool will be open in the park all day
Red Flynn Drive, Beacon, NY 12508 http://www.beaconsloopclub.org/

Square Dance and Camp Woodland Reunion at Ashokan Center 7-10 PM AshokanCcenter, 477 Beaverkill Road, Olivebridge, NY 12461 http://ashokancenter.org

Sunday July 20th A Memorial Concert for Pete and Toshi Seeger
Lincoln Center Out Of Doors 4-7:30 PM
Damrosch Park Bandshell, W 62nd St. between Amsterdam and Columbus Avenue

Monday July 21st

Songs of Justice: An Evening Honoring Pete Seeger at SummerStage –
July 21-6-10 PM Hosted by Gina Belafonte and Kitama Cahill Jackson
Central Park's Rumsey Playfield, NYC. Enter on E 72nd St. and 5th Ave.
http://www.centralpark.com/search?q=pete+see

http://lcoutofdoors.org/events/a-memorial-concert-for-pete-a

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

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Contact: James Malchow 908-405-1433

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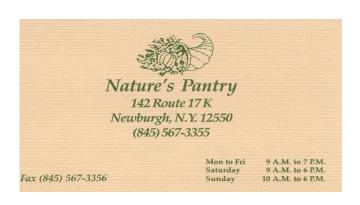
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Submitted by Sarah Elisabeth Tuesday, June 24, 2014										
Donation	10165.57									
Save Our Sloop	1352.00			1352.00						
Membership	440.00	440.00								
Harbor	2000.00						2000.00			
Sailing Class	150.00				150.00					
Strawberry Festival	12662.00				12662.00					
Total	26769.57									
Trailers	-332.40				-332.40					
Ed Teach Registration	-57.50			-57.50						
Safeco Alarm Systems	-105.00							-105.00		
Solar Trailer	-2398.55				-2398.55					
Harbor	-381.36						-381.36			
Central Hudson	-83.06							-83.06		
Woody Maintenance	-55.18			-55.18						
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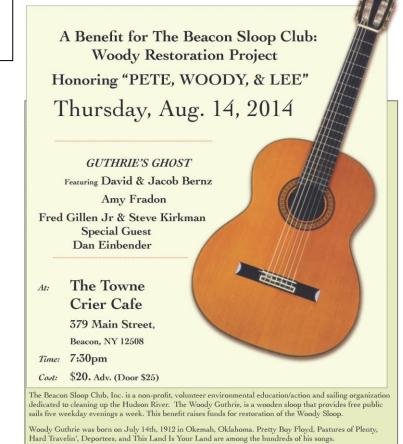
#### **Recycle Your Lead Batteries**

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**





Info: (845) 855-1300, http://www.townecrier.com/

### **Current Calendar**

**Executive Committee meeting**, Tues. July 22<sup>nd</sup> 7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

**Beacon Sloop Club meeting** every 1<sup>st</sup> 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 RUH**E 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 62<sup>nd</sup> 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 amnoon, 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**