# Beacon Sloop Club Broadside



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### Serving the Hudson River with Pride for 44 Years

#### A Message from Our President

If June is to be our busiest month of the year, between the Strawberry Festival, Revival, and the Woody making progress toward completion, May will certainly be a close second.

By the time you read this, many of the events will likely have passed, but be sure to check the calendar in this newsletter to see what is still upcoming. Between the Women's Work concert, the Riversweep, a Day at Sloop Brewing, the New Deal lecture, the Chamber of Commerce meeting, and the Pete birthday open house, the club is continuing to demonstrate that we are a diverse organization that has many ways of engaging the public and advancing our mission. Please be sure to thank the organizers and volunteers of these events. We really cannot do any of this exciting work without them.

As I mentioned above, once we've enjoyed this busy month, we have June and the Strawberry Festival to look forward to. Mark your calendars: June 10th for prep and June 11th for the festival itself. See you there if not sooner!

#### Inside this issue:

All hands on deck for the Strawberry Festival, partying in our foul weather gear, cleaning up the waterfront, and much, much more.....



NEXT EXEC. COM. MEETING TUESDAY., Jun. 27, 7:00 p.m. NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING FRIDAY, Jun. 2, 7:30 p.m., Potluck at 6:30 p.m.

#### **BSC Membership Form**

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

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Woody Sailors:

#### **Beacon Sloop Club General Meeting**

Minutes, May. 5, 2017

Start 19:35, Song: Quite Early Morning

Welcome by James Malchow

Treasure report by Aaron Verdile for the month of March.

<u>Woody report</u> by James Malchow: Woody is coming along. Still expecting 6-8 weeks but slower. There is a lot work completed since the last meeting. The Woody won't be in the water at the Strawberry festival nor the Revival. We still have work parties but none scheduled this weekend. Please see James if you want to be added to the emailing list for work parties.

Day at the Sloop Brewing report by Steve Schwartz. The event is a week from tomorrow and the event is paid for already from advance ticket sales. Continued ticket sales will go directly to the club. More beer and more bands than last year. \$60/ticket or \$63.09/ticket online. Steve is stressed.

<u>Riversweep</u> report by Metal. Around to noon to 1:30pm, come helps sweep the River. Meet at the club, then head towards the Long Dock.

<u>Pete's Birthday</u> report by Ken Miller. Will have refreshments and pot luck. Open mic from 1:30pm to 6pm. Pete would have been 98 years old. A picture collection will be on display and anyone else can bring pictures of Pete.

Kathy Berger sends warm greetings from Florida, and raised \$110 with a Pete birthday celebration there.

<u>The Pete Seeger Festival</u> by Joyce Hanson. Will be 2p-5p at Tompkins Corner this Sunday May 7. Donations will be split between Sloop Club, River Pool, and Clearwater.

<u>Womens' Work</u> report. May 14 will be another fund raiser for Woody Guthrie. Original work by Women or about women at the Howland Cultural Center. The suggested donation is \$15 but give whatever you can. There is going to be a bake sale at the concert.

Lecture report by Alan Thomas. We have our last lecture this month. Nature's New Deal by Neil Meyer who will talk about the beginning of the conservation movement by FDR. Next Thursday at 7pm. This was made possible by a grant

Event in May by David Eberle. Open house May 16 starting at 5:30pm at the club by the Chamber. Local businesses will be awarded which total \$1000.

Strawberry report by Rosemary Thomas, Susan, and Tom Labar. Has been going on for 40 years – 2000 shortcakes. We need everybody. The event is June 11. This is our biggest festival and an opportunity to work side-by-side with free shortcake if you volunteer and great music. Will have craft and food vendors. Betty Harkins will have an environmental tent with presenters, traditional cooked fish and a map of the Hudson. Volunteers will also get a free volunteer t-shirt and there will be many positions open. The River Pool will also be there. The festival is free and the shortcake is \$5.

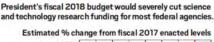
The pre-festival is on Strawberry on June 10 at 1347 Route 9D just north of 9d - Tom's red house. 300-400 lbs Strawberries delivered at 10am. Tom described the process: Transferred to trailer: Hull and slice about 1/3 to 1/4 of the strawberries; and Mix 1/4 to 1/3 frozen to fresh strawberry mix at the festival – Need 30-40 people. Please don't eat the nice delicious looking berries at the prefestival. Past due berries will become smoothies for the volunteers after all the strawberries are hulled. No charge for the lunch by Amy's brother by BBQ with potato and macaroni salad. 250 lbs of flour then mixed - both regular white and whole-wheat flour with a little bit of salt, sugar and butter. Water added at the event. This part will take 2-3 hours and there will also be prep at the park. Also at the pre-festival, we will test the oven (at the club) and will feed the volunteers (at Tom's house). The whole event would be 7am to 9pm - Strawberries down by noon.

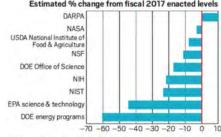
For Sunday would depend on what you sign up for but 8 to 9 works. We typically run out of biscuits about 3-4 pm. We have enough dough but the biscuit sizes tend to get larger as the days go on. Need ten people with strong backs and good knees Sunday morning to put up the tent. All these activities will happen either rain or shine.

#### Other Business - none

#### Announcements

- Alan Zolner: Beyond June, on August 13 (same weekend of Corn Festival on August 14) will be the Newburgh Beacon Swim. In order to continue, maintain, and staff the free access to the River Pool we run the River Swim and need help for the day either in Newburgh or Beacon. The Rain Date is August 14. Swimmers can register at BeaconRiverPool.com. It makes a lot of swimmers day to have the swim and the event is celebrated with music. Alan has a signup sheet. Swimmers pay \$60 registration and raise \$100 in donations (sponsors).
- Nora: Six months, 10/7 will be 70. Nora does not want presents. Nora wants a potluck at the club. Nora will humbly bring a cake.
- JC: Gave a testimonial on the River swim. Wonderful experience and great cause. JC is reaching out to say that his wife and himself are opening a daycare. They could use some help put the fence up. House party this Sunday morning. Mi Casa daycare is on Facebook which includes Spanish/English immersion 58 Washington Ave. 9:30am to 11:30am.





Note: DOE energy programs include renewables and efficiency, nuclear, fossil, grid research, and ARPA-E.

Source: American Association for the Advancement of Science

## The Woody Report Six Weeks!

Seriously folks, while it's become a bit of a rolling joke, it is real this time and we will need all the volunteers we can get as we approach launch.



#### Riversweep: The Beacon Sloop Club

The Beacon Sloop Club partnered with Riverkeeper again this year to continue our more than forty year tradition of stewardship of the Beacon Waterfront.

Our volunteers contributed to efforts that stretched from New York City into the Adirondacks that totaled:

• Project locations: 102

• Volunteers: 1,790

• Trees and bushes planted or maintained: 568

• Bags of trash: 1,304

• Bags of recycling: 300

• Number of tires: 117

• Weight of total debris collected: **51,301.5 pounds / 25.7** 

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Thank You to Wayne Chernek and Metal for organizing this year's event.



Photos by Wayne Chernek

## A Day at Sloop Brewing (flashbacks of Woodstock anyone?)

A huge thank you to Adam and Justin, the staff at Sloop Brewing, and Vosburg Orchards for hosting another fundraiser for the Sloop Club. Who better than a group of sailors to be prepared to party in a nor'easter? It was a fun time with great food, great music, and of course, Great Beer. Even with a smaller crowd due to the weather we made around \$2500 for the Woody. And of course, thank you to our volunteers!





**Local Business Owners Welcomed to the Sloop Club** 

The Beacon Sloop Club hosted the Beacon Chamber of Commerce for an evening reception. It was an opportunity for our members to meet some of the local business owners who so generously support us throughout the year.

The Sloop Club, through a generous grant, was able to give awards to several businesses, in recognition of their service to the community. And, we signed up some new members!

#### Sail to Washington D.C.

The Hudson River Sloop Clearwater needs your help to deliver a message of support for clean water to Washington, D.C. Your donation will make this trip possible. Help us tell Congress that you:

- -Stand for clean water and healthy rivers.
- -Cannot return to the days of dead rivers, choking air, and toxic waste.
- -Need federal agencies, like the EPA, that enforce the regulations that are protecting public health and safety.
- -Believe that environmental policy needs to be based on sound science.
- -Understand that climate change is a major threat to the ecology, the economy and the security of the nation and urgent action must be taken to address it.
- -Know that pollution is an environmental justice issue, often harming the most vulnerable communities among us the most.
- -Want a sustainable world for our children and for future generations.

All our waters are connected. All our waters must be protected.

Help spread the word!

http://www.clearwater.org/latest-news/help-send-clearwater-d-c/



The 2017 Lecture Series wrapped up a great season with Neil Maher, speaking on Nature's New Deal, FDR, and the birth of the environmental movement. We had a great turn out for a very interactive and informative evening.

From birds to puppets, hops to politics, we had a little something for everyone this year. We would like to thank all of our speakers and attendees for making this a successful community event.



Thank you to all the wonderful and talented women who put on "Women's Work" at the Howland Cultural Center. Your support of the Beacon Sloop Club, the Woody Guthrie, and our

community is tremendous.

The show featured performances by: Lydia Adams Davis, Anita Merando, Goldee Greene, Melissa Holland, Eleanor Kleiner, Pat Lamanna, Sharleen Leahy, Nicole Zaray, Lindsey Wilson, Bev Grant, Marji Zintz, Hudson River Rose, Lisa Jane Lipkin, Vicki Raabin, Trouble Sisters, Jenny Murphy, Susan Bozso, Mary Poppins, and Karen Brooks.

Thanks also to all the volunteers who brought food and did all the other tasks that made this such a wonderful event. *Photo by Bev Grant*.



## STRAWBERRY WORKERS of the WORLD UNITE



The Strawberry prep party for this year's Strawberry Festival will be on Saturday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at the LaBarr's house. Please plan on helping us prepare for the festival. The Local Strawberries will be delivered about 10:00. We need to wash, hull, slice and freeze about 1/3 of the berries. Lunch will be served when we are finished with the berries. Then we have to mix all the dry ingredients for the biscuits. We will be **STRAWBERRY** serving **DRINKS** CHOCOLATE COVERED STRAWBERRIES all afternoon and into the evening. Then we have dinner, clean up and party till we drop. We are located at 1347 Route 9D, 5th houses north of Route 84 on the riverside. It is a red house.

NOTE: This is not a potluck; all food and drink are provided. Musicians bring your instruments for the party.

Please call or email us if think you are going to be able to make it. We need to know the number of people, so we can have more than enough food and drink available.

Tom & Aimee LaBarr at 831-4267 labarrt@newpaltz.edu



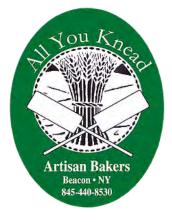
#### **Treasury Report**

	Apr 17
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Contribution, Gifts, Grants	3,531.12
Corn Festival	
Vendor	245.00
Total Corn Festival	245.00
Investment Income	
Interest-Checking	16.25
Total Investment Income	16.25
Membership	
Snailmail	75.00
Total Membership	75.00
Pumpkin Festival	100
Vendor	405.00
Total Pumpkin Festival	405.00
Special Event	1.6
A Day @ Sloop Brewing	50.00
Total Special Event	50.00
Strawberry Festival	
Vendor	3,810.00
Total Strawberry Festival	3,810.00
Total Income	8,132.37
Gross Profit	8,132.37
Expense	The same of
Bank Expense	
Paypal	1.40
Total Bank Expense	1,40
Facilities	
Festival	191.64
Utilities	87.20
Woody Maintenance	48,954.39
Total Facilities	49,233.23
Other Expenses	1
Advertising & Promotion	216.58
Membership dues	165.00
Sailing Class	303.08
Total Other Expenses	684.66
Printing, etc.	10 2 75
Broadside	31.12
Total Printing, etc.	31.12
Special Events Expenses	
Special Events Facilities	
Lecture Series	135.40
Total Special Events Facilities	135.40
Total Special Events Expenses	135.40
Strawberry Expense	208.58
Total Expense	50,294.39
Net Ordinary Income	-42,162.02
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Opening Cash Balance 4/1/17	158,350.44
Closing Cash Balance 4/31/17	116,188.42

Thank You to the following sponsors and donors to this year's Strawberry Festival.















#### **Current Calendar**

**Executive Committee meeting**, Tues., Jun. 27, 7:00pm., at the Clubhouse

**Beacon Sloop Club meeting** every 1<sup>st</sup> Friday of the month: next meeting, Jun. 2nd – potluck 6:30 p.m., general meeting 7:30 p.m



Woody work parties will continue at the HRMM. Contact James Malchow to receive weekly updates.

## In Memorial Robert H. Boyle



We offer condolences to his family as we celebrate the life of Bob Boyle and his many contributions to the care and preservation of the Hudson River.

A founder of the Hudson River Fisherman's Association, which evolved into Riverkeeper, he was a spearhead in the battles over the proposed destruction of Storm King, PCBs, and other threats to the river and its communities.

For many of us his book, "The Hudson River: A Natural and Unnatural History", was the foundational text and guide to our most valuable natural resource.

Bob was still an active and vocal contributor to many environmental causes and advocate for the Hudson Riiver until his death. We miss his incisive wit.

https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/22/nyregion/robert-h-boyle-founder-of-hudson-riverkeeper.html? r=1

Editor's note: When I first met Pete and asked how I could help he told me, "Read Bob Boyle's book." I ran out and found a copy, which I still keep in my office.



#### All Hands On Deck for Strawberry Festival!!

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Volunteers of all kinds are needed on both Saturday and Sunday. You can volunteer for 20 minutes or two full days. Whatever is good for you. Bringing friends encouraged, especially for hulling. For more information, call Rosemary at 463-4660.

#### **Saturday June 10:**

9AM Riverfront Park – set up Strawberry Tent, move folding tables, chairs, 10x10 tents, 10x20 tents, and other equipment under the tent.

10AM till done (3pm? Tom and Amiee LaBarr's home – Prep party

#### **Sunday June 11:**

9:00 AM – 11AM setup continues in Riverfront Park. Setup the 10x10 tents, tables, chairs, 10x20 tents, signs, tablecloths, serving stations, and so on. 10:30 AM-4:30 PM – hull berries. This is a very social activity and many people needed; serving; baking; Earth Care, and more!!!

4:30-6:00 PM Cleanup (take the tents down, move tables/chairs back to clubhouse, and so on)

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Details of calendar events may be found elsewhere in the newsletter.

For more info about the BSC: www.beaconsloop.org, or www.beaconsloopclub.org

# Strawberry Festiva/

Free Admission







# Strawberry Shortcake

Sunday June 11<sup>th</sup>
Noon-5:00 pm
Toshi Seeger Riverfront

Pete & Toshi Seeger Riverfront Park
Beacon NY



## **Live Music**











