

Club Cruceros de La Paz
Board of Directors Meeting
November 12, 2024, 4:00pm
Vista Room and Zoom

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Commodore Heidi Stagg at 4:10pm

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Heidi Benson Stagg, Commodore; Mary Jo Hood, Vice Commodore; Jan St Pierre, Secretary; Bob Walker, Director-at-Large; Jeff Brandt, Director-at-Large, Dr. Juan Alvarez, Director-at-Large; Steve Brenner, Past Commodore

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Tom Murray, Rear Commodore; Vacant, Treasurer

PUBLIC COMMENT: TRIBUTE TO RON HARDWAY, LIFETIME MEMBER

Stan Perrott reported that one of Club Cruceros de La Paz' founders, Ron Hardway, recently passed away. His efforts to create this long-standing club to benefit fellow cruisers have been appreciated for many decades. Thousands of cruisers, community members and tourists have somehow been touched by our Club. Ron Hardway's dream will continue to live on and thrive.

MINUTES: 05/14/24 – Motion to Approve: Jeff Second: Bob All Ayes

FINANCIAL REPORT: Jan presented the monthly financial reports for May through October 2024.
Motion to Approve: Bob Second: Jeff All Ayes

Heidi explained that the Treasurer position has been unfilled since April 30. Pat Waddell was treasurer for 2023-24 but injured his wrist and cannot use the computer. Kimberley Lafferty- assisted him in completing the year and left in June. There were no nominations for Treasurer, so the position is vacant. Heidi, Mary Jo and Jan have kept the financials flowing since then.

COMMODORE'S REPORT

- Busy Summer! It takes a village, and we have the best! Heidi commended and thanked members for volunteering their time and talents to keep the Club running over the summer.
 - Cindy oversaw clubhouse activities, purchased coffee supplies, collected membership and coffee fund envelopes and ensured we had coffee host volunteers for each day.
She also coordinated a fundraiser to provide dental services for Homer's little dog. \$6,000 pesos were raised and the dog is doing well. Thank you to all who donated to this worthy cause.
 - Homer took on the huge task of cleaning out the DVDs, matching cases to the disks and moving them all to the library, and then doing a deep cleaning of the coffee room. He also came in early to start the coffee pot five or six days a week, surprising the coffee hosts.
 - Nikki for her continued work of keeping our library organized.
 - Naailah for leading somatic yoga classes on Tuesday and Thursday at 8:30am and serving as coffee host on Wednesday.
 - Jan and Mary Jo for helping with the Treasurer duties.
 - Steve for his continued work of keeping track of membership.
- The Club is beginning the year with great energy and there are lots of plans for the season. Heidi acknowledged volunteers who already committed to chairing a committee or an event.
 - Leighann Scee will serve as the Charity Committee Chair.
 - Allison Porter will again serve as the 50/50 Yard Sale Chair.
 - Peggy Joyce stepped up to be the Charity Beach Party Chair.

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- Rainy Eastman is bringing back the popular Fashion Show.
- Mary Jo Hood will chair the Winter Holiday Socials.
- Linda Keigher is back to serving as our Merchandise Chair and Pancake Breakfast Chair.
- Pat Waddell will be doing a fish fry soon for the Charity Committee.
- Christy is back for yoga on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30am.
- Isabella is back to offer Celestial Navigation each Monday and Thursday at 10am.

Continuing to serve are:

- Cindy Espinoza – Coffee Hour, Clubhouse, Health and Wellness and more.
- Jimmy Loburg – Swap Meets, Veleros de Baja Sailboat Racing and Emergency Equipment
- Jeff Brandt – Bulletins & Notices Boards
- Rich Boren – Morning Net
- Patsy Verhoeven – Website, Bylaws, and Standard Operating Procedures
- The Club is seeking volunteers for Treasurer, Membership Chair and Event Chairs.
- Be sure to check out the Club event calendar posted at the Clubhouse.
- We have started a Club Cruceros WhatsApp Community. There are several groups specific to Events, Swaps and Trades, and other topics. To join, give Heidi your information and she will send an invitation. You can email her at Commodore@clubcruceros.net.
- Heidi thanked everyone for electing her to serve as the Club's Commodore.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

- Jeff Brandt suggested getting an additional bulletin board for Club events.
- Mary Jo announced that the Welcome Back Pop-Up and Potluck is this Friday, November 15, 4:00-6:00pm The pop-ups will offer cajon and ramen selections. Potluck food is welcomed. Beer and wine will be sold.
- Bob noted that the Charity fund distribution was very effective in assisting nonprofits and families.
- Juan is putting together a plan to benefit our members and the Charity fund by offering dental cleanings at a special price and donating the funds to the Charity fund.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Charities:** Linda Keigher reported the first Pancake Breakfast on November 10, served 61 people and raised \$7,390 for the Club's Charity Fund.
 - **Health and Welfare:** Cindy Espinoza noted the blood bank plan for a mobile unit is still on hold. Also, the vaccine clinic was not scheduled this year as the medical coordinator is out of town. Flu and Covid shots are available at Centro de Salud.
- **Membership:** Steve Brenner reported 3 new members, 10 renewals, and 337 active members.
- **Standard Operating Procedures:** Patsy Verhoeven asked event chairs to be sure to update the event procedures and email her following the event. She will update the Standard Operating Procedures guidelines. If procedures have not changed, please let her know.
- **Veleros de Baja Sailboat Racing:** The next race will be Sunday, December 1.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Tuesday, December 3, 2024, 4:00 pm, Vista Room

ADJOURNMENT: 5:07pm Motion: Mary Jo Second: Juan All Ayes