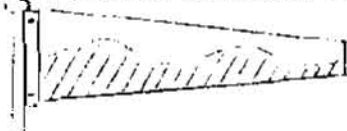


FLASH - BRIDGE DEFEATED TEMPORARILY



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SOUTH BAY CRUISING CLUB NEWSLETTER

First business meeting of the year was held March 6 and much was accomplished.

TREASURER Jack Held reported \$68.00 in the bank, \$21 in cap discs, and a sizeable amount of "unaudited" dues. He appealed for dues - please mail them to him in Babylon (Boat-owners \$3.00, Non-owners \$1.00, \$0.50 for 1953 Yearbook, \$5.00 for yacht photo in yearbook, cap discs \$1.25 and burgees \$3.00)

SECRETARY Jack Young reported on Public Notice #2892 (U.S. Army Engineers) concerning the proposed fixed bridge at Smith's Pt. He read a form letter that he had already distributed widely among local yachtsmen and commercial marine interests enlisting their protests. Much spirited discussion followed.

He discussed the 1953 Yearbook which will include photos of all the club yachts who send in a 3" x 3" photo and \$3.00 to cover cost of the plate. Please send in your prints and a check immediately to insure inclusion.

1953 Program

The Chairman of the Entertainment and Regatta committees took the floor and as a result of their work and the discussion from the floor the following program was adopted unanimously:

Decoration Day, May 30 - Commissioning Ceremony & Cocktails

Babylon Y.C. at 5 p.m., come by boat or car

Fourth of July Babylon Y.C. Invitation Handicap Race. "Open House" at Club after race

July 18-26 Annual SBCC Cruise, to Shelter Island and return

August 1st Saturday, Annual West Island Race, Start Noon off Timber Pt.

"All out" Rendezvous off Snapper Inn after race - non-racers, too.

August 22nd Saturday - off shore Race, Fire Island to Jones Inlet and Return, Rendezvous off Oak Beach Inn afterward.

Labor Day Sunday, Bellport Y.C. Race & Beach Party

MONDAY WET PANTS ASSOCIATION RACE

Annual Cruise will start with a fleet rendezvous at Smith's Pt. (It is hoped that Highway Supt. Tuthill may entertain us at cocktails in honor of the bridge he cannot build there.) The fleet will split at Shinnecock, the larger boats going "outside" to Montauk and Shelter Island and the small boats via the Canal and Peconic Bay to Shelter Island (West Neck Harbor one night and Coecles the other) By making the mast unstepping job an "all hands" operation it should be a lot easier.

Handicaps A revised Rule has been set up that is simpler than the 1952 Rule. Please fill out the form enclosed as soon as possible to Lcdr. Bill Cain, Bayview Avenue, Babylon.

Measurement will be by owners again this year until the new fleet measurers get around to measuring your boat for a final "ticket". Bill will be in charge of all "gripes", too. Official Measurers and their areas are: Joe Mack, Amityville & Massapequa, Bradt - Cain, Babylon, H. G. Smith Sayville - Bellport, ~~Thall~~ ^{Wayland} - Thall, Bay Shore - Islip --

FLASH U. S. Army Engineers have told Suffolk County that it is hopeless for them to resubmit the plans for a 30 1/2 bridge as they will disapprove it. They can submit plans for a higher span. When we questioned them as to their minimum clearance ideas they would not commit themselves. Tuthill, in a press statement 4/3/53 said he would go to 43 ft. We cannot rest on our laurels, the victory is not assured yet. We must stay alert and consolidate our case by gathering more statistics of mast heights, traffic estimates etc.

John F. Young