

**Merrimac River Sail & Power Squadron**  
Bridge Meeting 9/10/2007

Called to order at 7:10pm. Members present: Jack Micklovich, Ken and Carol Backman, Dex Hyland, new member-at-large, Bob Manning, Barbara Bergin.

**Opening comments:** Jack introduced Bob Manning. Mentioned membership.

**Individual reports:** no August secretary report published.

Treasurers: \$10 in; education credit.

AO: Cruise this Saturday; members plan to meet there. Hats purchased to sell as a mementos, may get Toothpick logo embroidered on them.

Education: *Public* course starts in Chelmsford 9/18. by **Charlie**. (**Jack** will take 9/25)  
*Seminars-Dex and Charlie* are putting together calendar to publish at one time for the year. Try to start with a GPS class taught by Dex at the Lowell Boat Club, Saturday am with coffee/donuts. 2-3 hours. Other topics: VHF-George Ingram; Weather Forecasting Aboard-Art; Powerboating-Jack; Sail Trim-Dex. One location may be Bob's wife's MaryKay office on 110.

*Advanced:* Start Piloting October 10, for 10 weeks and Advanced Piloting in the spring; Engine maintenance after Jan 1, by Ken, and Marine Electronics after that.

*Class cost-*usually \$5 above book cost, May need to include room rental costs.

**Old Business:**

Looking for Membership chairperson. **Dex** will contact Dave Caulkins.

Did John Griffin pay for Boathouse people who attended class-**Ken** will f/u.

Bylaws-**Charles** Boddy will follow up on this

Website-Bob and Jack will start on this.

Agenda item-\$500 Grant Maptech-did not mention-**Jack** can you email this to us?

**New Business:**

District Meeting: Woods Hole 11/9, Jack, Ken and Carol, Dex going. Book rooms now.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10.

Next meeting Monday, 10/15 at 7pm at Dex's office. Note that this is the **second** Monday in October because of the Columbus Day holiday.

Respectfully submitted, Barbara Bergin