

Pacific Northwest Station of  
The Cruising Club of America  
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting January 10, 2024



The meeting was called to order at 12:15 hours at the Seattle Yacht Club by Rear Commodore Dave Utley

In attendance: Doug Adkins, Paul Baker, Elaine Cashar, Howard & Stephanie Conant, Suzette Connolly, Bill & Kathy Cuffel, Jack DeFriel, Rony, Dorothy and Susan Dike, Roddy Hearne, Rod & Jill Hearne, Rob Hurlow, Haley Lhamon, Tad Lhamon, Joyce Lhamon, Rick Meslang, Gil & Judy Middleton, Gary Nolan, Tom O'Brien, Brent Peterson, John & K Robinson, Dan Schwartz, Susan Stillman, Dave Utley, Roger & Lynne Werner, Tom White

Guests: Harry Pattison

In Attendance via Zoom:, Ernie Godshalk, Joe Golberg, Candy Anne Masters, Jon Bowman, Phil Swigard, Wendy Hinman, Baird Tewksbury, Doug Cole, James Cole, Mary Alice O'Neill

**The Rear Commodore Dave Utley opened the Meeting at 12:15 pm**

He welcomed attendees, guests and Zoom participants. He then recognized the new incoming members of the bridge and relinquished the podium to incoming Rear Commodore Doug Adkins.

**Change of Watch:**

Doug Adkins – Rear Commodore  
Susan Stillman – Membership Chairperson  
Roddy Hearne – Secretary/Treasurer

**Rear Commodore Doug Adkins took the conn.**

The first order of business was to commemorate the passing of member Hugh Minor. Eight Bells were rung and a moment of silence was observed.

RC Adkins spoke with remarks on taking the helm and thanked outgoing Rear Commodore Utley.

*"One day I was a peacock, the next a feather duster"*

RC Adkins presented Dave Utley two awards in recognition of his service: a feather duster on a varnished mount with long lanyard for wearing "albatross style" and an inscribed crystal decanter. Both were accepted with grace and humor.

**Cruise Reports – Suzette Connolly, Program Chair**

Stolsig's Hoptoad in Sea of Cortez preparing to go out into the Pacific  
Malone's Morningstar in Ensenada to Sea of Cortez  
Trish & Caspar Going from Brazil to Capetown then Perth

**Membership Report – Susan Stillman, Membership Chair**

Our station has 4 applications in the works. 3 are complete and ready for members to read on the website. Please do make comments if you know the candidates even slightly.

Asking for new applications.

CCA total is 1355 members currently. Our station has 137 members and survivors.

**Treasurer's Report – Roddy Hearne, Secretary / Treasurer**

Roddy explained that two dues are paid by members. One to the sometimes so called “national” organization although there are several countries represented and one to our station. Station Dues are \$40 for members or in the case where two members share an address the dues are \$50. Remit Station Dues to:

CCA-PNW  
c/o Roddy Hearne  
314 25<sup>th</sup> Ave S #B  
Seattle, WA 98144

\$250 to the CCA website [www.cruisingclub.org](http://www.cruisingclub.org). After logging in, Dues can be found under “Manage Account” subheading under “Member links”

**Cruise Report – Roger Werner, Cruise Chair**

Chairman Warner is looking into Spring and Fall cruise possibilities

**Historian's Report—John Kennell, Historian**

The story of the Arthur Foss: from her early days on the Columbia River Bar, Puget Sound to the Klondike, her fame when featured in the classic film loosely based on Thea Foss, *Tugboat Annie*, to her later days now among the historic ships at South Lake Union.

**Safety Minute – Dan Schwartz**

In the winter time taxed power cords present a significant fire danger. Smart plugs and care to amperage draw of heaters can prevent catastrophic fires.

**Safety and Seamanship – John Robinson**

Upcoming safety training events:  
March 23 at Seattle Yacht Club

**Bonnell Cove – Joyce Lhamon**

Bonnell Cove is supporting a number of interesting projects and is searching for more to support.

**Speakers:** Program Chair Suzette Connolly  
introduced Bill and Kathi Cuffel

**Greece 2023 on Jarana**

The Cuffels returned to their boat near Ephesus, Turkey traveled though the Aegean with stops in Delos, Naxos, through the Corinth Canal. They visited Delphi, Ithaka, Megannisi, Preveza through the Lefkas Canal. They completed their year with a passage to the boot of Italy, Siracusa, Malta and left the boat in Monastir, Tunisia.

**Meeting adjourned 2:02pm**

**The next meeting will be February 7, 2024**

Respectfully submitted,  
Roddy Hearne  
CCA/PNW Secretary/ Treasurer