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April 14, 2008  
Martins Restaurant

*Meeting Agenda:*

*Members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.*

*Meeting was called to order by President "Ike" Eisenhower at 1913.*

*Absent officers were the Past President and Guard Cathy. The Events Coordinator position is vacant.*

*Attendance: 63*

*Treasurer's report:*

- 1. Checking account - \$3,486.52*
- 2. Balance does not include memberships or raffle proceeds at recent boat show.*
- 3. Account needs to be audited with transition to new treasurer.*
- 4. One member renewed and three new members joined at the Taylor's Landing In-Water Boat Show.*
- 5. Boat show renewal was Carroll Foster (3) and new members were Neal Taylor (2), Steve Harding (1), and Gregg Galvo (2).*
- 6. The raffle at the Boat Show brought in \$377.05*
- 7. Renewals tonight: Rory Goggin (2) and Glenn Russell (1).*
- 8. New members tonight: Tom Johnson (2), Steve Bennett (2), and Lee Atkinson (1).*
- 9. The raffle awarded two spreader bars (donated by Chris Martin), an assortment of flounder rigs (donated by Louis Glasser), several hand-tied seawitches (donated by Lucian Montagna), and a book (donor unknown). The raffle brought in \$117.*

*Old Business*

- 1. Ike asked Lucian to discuss the Hampton Roads Regatta.*
  - NAC will continue to support the flounder tournament*
  - tournament has been moved to the 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend in August, to deconflict with sailing regatta*
  - entry fee has been increased from \$75 to \$100*
  - prizes will remain the same as last year, awarded to total weight of three flounder*
  - there will be a separate Calcutta*
  - all will be held at Little Creek, at Bay Point Marina*
  - more details to follow*
- 2. Taylor's Landing In-Water Boat Show*
  - bad weather all weekend hampered attendance*
  - NAC booth had great turnout*
  - two new members and one renewal at the show*
  - raffle brought in \$377.05*

### New Business

1. Bob Allen (PSWSFA) discussed some recent activity at VMRC, and then specifically addressed the plight of the Chesapeake Bay Blue Crab. He noted the need for input from a lot of folks, to encourage the VMRC to “do the right thing”. Bob distributed a sample letter and asked folks to either sign it for his immediate collection, or take it home to use as a sample for a more personalized letter. In any event, Bob urged us to speak out and be heard, to help save the Blue Crab.

2. President Ike thanked Darek Dabbs, and his wife Katie, for their service in Iraq. He then bestowed honorary membership on Darek,

3. Ike reviewed the proposed slate of officers, and had the nominees stand so they could be seen.

- President: Darryl Schmitt
- Vice President: Louis Glasser
- Secretary:
- Treasurer: John Brown
- Events Coord: Chris Martin
- Co.Events Coord: Scott Payne
- Awards Coord: John Brown
- Guard/Greeter: Chuck Kahlert
- Guard/Greeter: Ned Smith

Ike asked that only paid NAC members vote for the new officers. Nominations from the floor were solicited, but none were made. An appeal was made for someone to fill the secretary position, and Darek Dabbs volunteered – he was added to the slate.

The entire slate was approved by a voice vote.

### Fishing Reports

1. Lucian reported on their offshore trip on April 13<sup>th</sup>, with a late start for local fishing that turned into an 80nm offshore run. He noted that the usual tile grounds seemed barren, but that they managed five nice wreckfish and a few others, before the long, fast run back in.

2. Louis noted that there had been some nice flounder caught two-three weeks ago, but that the conditions haven't been as good recently. He noted some nice fish at the 8nm mark on the CBBT.

3. Bob Cherry reported that there were some nice flounder in the vicinity of the 3<sup>rd</sup> island on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

### Presentation:

We were most fortunate to have Capt. Craig Paige return as our guest speaker after two years. Capt. Craig is well known for his great success on his boat “Paige II”, and was the winner of last year's Hampton Roads Regatta Flounder Tournament.

Capt. Craig started by reminding everyone of the closed season for Tautog from May 1<sup>st</sup> to June 23<sup>rd</sup>. He also noted the closed flounder fishery from 21-30 July, but that flounder release citations can be registered during that period (based on the striped bass policy in the Bay).

Capt. Craig noted that the overall flounder bite has been poor, although there was a good bite a couple of weeks ago at the 8nm and 12nm areas.

*Capt. Craig then spent a considerable period of time discussing flounder fishing. He addressed flounder movement, seasonal and moon-based patterns, live baiting techniques, strip baiting techniques, areas to fish and things to look for, flounder feeding practices, best netting procedures, main tackle, terminal tackle and rigs, and wind/weather effects on flounder fishing.*

*Capt. Paige covered a great deal of material in an interesting, humorous, and very informative manner. If you were there you had an opportunity to learn from a master. If you weren't there, then you missed a great opportunity.*

*Many thanks to Captain Craig Paige for his great presentation.*

*Meeting adjourned at 2055.*

*Minutes of the meeting prepared by Brian Hodson, Secretary.*