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LAUDERDALE SMALL BOAT CLUB NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2021



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# EVENTS



**Board Meeting** - April 5th at 7pm

**General Meeting** - April 12th at 7pm

**Cinco de Mayo** - Wednesday May 5th! 5pm

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

## Board Meeting Minutes March 1, 2021

**Call to Order 7:00 PM – Membership had an excused absence.  
All other Officers and Directors present.**

**Minutes of the February 2021 Board Meeting have been approved.**

### REPORTS

**Treasurer:** February had a net gain of \$856.00 after revenue of \$61,628.00 and expenses of \$60,772.00. The following members resigned in good standing: Eric Angel (#2051) 2020 and Marvin Silverman (#1683) 2014.

One certified letter was mailed. One member paid just before sending the certified letter out. The ACME party was a success and the expenses totaled around \$4,500. Bob took a moment to recognize some of the many people that helped with the ACME party; The shirt committee consisted of Francisco, Judy, Phyllis, and Bob's wife, who also did the centerpieces; Barbecue food was provided by Dino and his crew; Italian Food was provided by Jen; Bar Manager was Barbara and her crew; and the servers included Randy (one of the club's newest members) and Lonnie (a future member). Several members also helped greatly with cleanup and putting away chairs.

**Secretary:** Nothing to report.

**Docks and Grounds:** We had a great turnout for our last ACME day. There were over 30 members in attendance. We worked on piling and repaired several items. After researching the tides, I will announce the next ACME day.

**Vice Commodore:** Original confirmation that the Waterway Cleanup Trash Bash would be held at LSBC was changed to a new location: near the Marine Industries Association. The Vice Commodore noted his opinion that comments on social media may affect how other organizations view us. There is still a Waterway Cleanup from 9am to 1pm happening at LSBC, and Joe Nobles will be serving breakfast and lunch.

**Social:** We had a lovely Valentine's Day event. The revenue totaled \$730.00. I want to thank everyone that helped make that day special. At our last ACME day, we cleaned out the shed and closet. I also want to give a special thank you to Mark for all his help in the Pit. He has been managing the pit during ACME and meeting nights.

**Planning:** We are still trying to lock down the hotel in Fort Meyers for our Dinghy Run. The hotel has not yet given us a confirmation as of today. While waiting for an answer from them, I have contacted Capt. Hiram's Resort in Sebastian, FL as a backup. Hopefully by next week's General Meeting, I will be able to announce a final plan for the Dinghy Run. Jim Barker presentation of items for the 2021 long-term and short-term plan. The long-term plan is being tabled to support the requirements that are listed in the forthcoming lease. The short-term plan includes refurbishing the galley and installing a covered walkway from the Pit to the clubhouse restrooms. EJ provided the planning committee an estimate of \$2,500.00 for the covered walkway. The planning committee didn't have an estimate for refurbishing the galley yet. Their plan is to solicit donations for the galley cabinets and appliances. The board then had a lengthy discussion regarding the plan's approval and yet-unstated cost. Bob Anz made a motion to allow the planning committee's long-term and short-term plans to be presented to the membership for a vote. The motion was seconded and passed.

**Membership:** I will be presenting between 5 to 9 perspective new members at the next General Meeting. I also have a by-law change for presentation to the board. The change now requires new members to pay \$100.00 per hour instead of the current \$20.00 per hour for ACME hours. Jerry says that the new members are not showing up for ACME projects and are missing out on meeting their fellow club members. Jerry also stated that the increase in the hourly rate would encourage more ACME participation. The board recognizes the intent of the change, but noted that the request did not follow by-law procedures. The Commodore asked Jerry to convene with the by-law chairmen and resubmit.

**Commodore:** No report.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Treasurer:** Thanked the members who helped clean out and paint Marion's office.

**Secretary:** None.

**Docks and Grounds:** None.

**Vice Commodore:** Asked Kevin O'Riordan to come and speak about the Waterway Cleanup. We are still having events every weekend this month. You must first register at the waterway cleanup website and everyone who participates will get a t-shirt. The Vice Commodore then stated that the Flea Market is still planned for April 20th and he is ready to start selling spots. Jerry asked if the club would receive any of the revenue, due to the club's financial position. Steve advised that this event is for the club's charity: the Boys and Girls Club of Broward.

**Social:** Linda asked for volunteers who would like to help cook or make a meal in the Pit. Volunteers will have to bring it in for Friday night Happy Hour. Linda reminded everyone that this is your Pit, your Club, so we should all try to participate. She noted that the attendance on Friday night is going down. Jerry announced that he will be celebrating his 88th Birthday this Wednesday at the club and there will be a birthday cake to share.

**Planning:** None.

**Membership:** None.

**Commodore:** None.

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## NEW BUSINESS

**Treasurer:** Bob Anz pointed out that clubhouse had been previously closed to outside events due to Covid. After discussion, the Board agreed to resume allowing the currently scheduled clubhouse events, which are managed by Social and will be following our rules. He also stated the boat ramp has a 5-inch gap between the concrete slabs. EJ said that he is aware of it and it's on the list for repair. We will need to schedule a crane to come in to reset the concrete slab. Jerry stated that there is a \$1,500.00 deductible if a member's boat gets damaged on the lift. The Board advised that we have never dropped a boat and is ok with these limits.

**Secretary:** None.

**Planning:** None.

**Vice Commodore:** None

**Social:** There is a private party scheduled for May 15th and members are asked to be respectful, as this is a private event.

**Docks and Grounds:** D&G thanked the 30 members that showed up for ACME on Feb 29th, which made it a great success.

**Membership:** None.

**Commodore:** Stated that he has members coming to him with concerns about the bar. He was told that there is a new rule that if the Bar is open, then a member cannot use the beer machine. In light of this, he is creating a Bar Review Committee. They will be charged with documenting the rules so that old and new members can come to consensus on matters relating to the Bar. Joey will be the chair of the committee and the Commodore will not have involvement. Jim asked if the Treasurer and Social Director will be in the committee, as he stated that those two positions have direct involvement on the bar. The Commodore responded that Joey will pick her own committee and will only be charged with giving recommendations to the board.

**A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn.**



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# GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

General Meeting Minutes  
March 8, 2020

**Call to Order 7:00PM – All Officers and Directors present except for Linda the Social Director.**

**Pledge of Allegiance.**

**Minutes of the February 2021 General Meeting approved.**

## REPORTS

**Treasurer:** February had a net gain of \$856.00 after revenue of \$61,628.00 and expenses of \$60,772.00. The following members resigned in good standing: Eric Angel (#2051), member since 2020, who is moving and Marvin Silverman (#1683), member since 2014, who gave no reason. One certified letter was mailed and one member paid just before sending the letter out.

**Secretary:** No report.

**Vice Commodore:** No Report.

**Docks and Grounds:** I just want to thank everyone who came down a couple of weeks ago for ACME. We had over 30 members out supporting the club. A special thanks goes out to: Miranda Singley for sending out ACME notification emails, Mark Robertson for managing the kitchen for ACME, and Dave Plotnick for putting in many hours fixing our golf carts.

**Membership:** The total membership is 487. There are 3 water slips and 2 trailer positions currently available. There are 70 members who signed today's attendance sheet. 30 members logged into our Zoom webcast. The following new members were sworn in:

Juan Nunez#2112 - sponsor Orlando Villalba #1940  
Joe Kessler #2113–sponsor Angelo Marino Sr #1594  
Minai Clothan #2114 – sponsor Nicholas Hernandez #1827 – NO SHOW DID NOT PAY  
Ryan Mathwich#2115 – sponsor Mike Mathwich #1285  
David Casey#2116 – sponsor Jim Baker #170  
Donnie Cornett#2117 – sponsor Patrick Devine #1365

Jerry announced that we would be celebrating all members whose birthdays are in the month of March. Please come out and join us at the clubhouse for food and cake this Wednesday evening March 10, 2021. Jerry turns 88 years old this month and the club gave him a round of applause.

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**Social:** Absent.

- **Commodore:** Bar Review Committee met with social and had a good meeting. If anyone has any more concerns, they should go to Linda (not anyone else).

**Planning:** The Dinghy Run location planning is getting very close and we should know by the end of the week. A few members and myself are traveling to a Keys location for final consideration. Once a location and date is finalized, we will immediately post the details on the hotline, website, and Facebook page.

### **The Short-Term Plan was presented with two proposed projects:**

1. Renovate the Galley, inclusive of lighting, flooring, shelving, windows, food prep/storage areas, and appliances. This is estimated at \$0.00. It's planned to fund everything through donations. If a member would like to donate any of these items from their home or business, please contact me.
2. Connect the overhang between the pit and the galley, estimated \$2,500.00.

### **The Long-Term Plan**

1. We are proposing supporting the lease committee with repairing or replacing our seawalls.

#### **Discussion:**

**Jan Britt #1591** – Are the members on Zoom going to be able to vote on this motion? The answer is Yes.

**Glenn Horton #1102** – If we replace the seawall, are we going to get anything out of it? They can kick us out at anytime. You don't replace a roof on a house you're renting. Jim Barker replied that this question is out of the scope of the planning committee.

**Elton Cerda #1604** – Before we take a vote on the Short- and Long-Term plan, can we get an update on the lease negotiations? Elton restated, "I am asking for us to table the Long-Term vote and allow the lease committee present to us what they have been doing."

**Commodore** – I am going to take Mr. Cerda's advice to table the Long-Term plan until we hear from the lease committee to determine where the numbers are.

**George Lewis #1577** – I am the lease committee chairman. On Wednesday March 3, 2021, Tony Thackham, Barbara Estep, and Steve Sexton met with our attorney. We had a conference call with the County. The County Land Attorney, Airport Administrator and his assistant were all present on the call. We have resolved few issues that were in the new lease, though there are still a lot of other issues present in the lease that we are still negotiating. I did receive calls about numbers being put out there. That's why I don't like doing this in public because we are so far away from coming to an agreement on anything. We have security and construction bonds that we are still going to have to discuss. There are many things and a lot of legalities that we still have to do. We are nowhere close yet. There is the delta for the new lease cost compared to the old lease that we are currently paying. We settled that in our favor. We had the same issue in our 2003-2005 lease. There were 18 months of negotiating and our current policy was not instituted. Believe me folks, I have done this my entire life. We are not going to bow down. We are going to do our due diligence. Barbara Estep sent a rebuttal letter to our attorney to send to the County. So if there's any information that you are getting about \$200,000 or \$100,000 whatever, know that this stuff is not resolved. This was the first conference call within the parameters of everybody that is involved. We have a long way to go. So, with Jim Barker Long-Term Plan, that plan could go on for ten to fifteen years. We have issues where the County wants things done in 4 to 5 years from now. We cannot do that. There are steps that we can go and do. If the County and the Club come to an impasse on where we are at in the project, then there are still steps that we can do. We can all go and appear before the commission. We can explain what the Club can do and what the Club can

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afford to do. Right now, we have not signed anything. Right now we are at a ten-year, which is on the numbers. We have five-year extension, which will make it a 15-year lease. We are still going to have other information in the lease that puts us a lot further depending on whether we can agree on how long it takes us to do the entire renovation of the Club. In 2035, there is a code we have to abide by. This is a long, complicated process and we are doing the best we can do. But there is nothing on the table at this time. Do you have any questions?

**Commodore** – Will the Airport/County make any concessions since we started this 6 months ago?

**GeorgeLewis #1577** – Yes, we have worked on some issues in the lease, though there is a lot more to do. We started to get into the more complicated areas and I already expect that this does happen.

**Tim Rounds #1634** – Two separate issues: Long-term lease and Long-Term Plan to be tabled until we have more information and Short-Term Plan accepted as it is presented.

**Jan Britt #1591** – We have been working with the airport since the summer and spent approximately \$20,000. What have we gotten? Have we not moved forward since last summer? We are in Covid. Just like a natural disaster, they can't jump up the prices. Has anyone called them out on that?

**GeorgeLewis #1577** – We have a top-notch attorney that knows everyone. He is helping us out a lot. There is no deadline.

**Carlo Postell #1066** – George, are there any liabilities in the contract that the Club can start preparing for?

**GeorgeLewis #1577** – No. We are operating month-to-month off our last lease. There is nothing there.

**Bob Anz** – Is the Airport/County going to retroactive the lease to last January?

**GeorgeLewis #1577** – We are still working on that and we are going to get pushbacks.

**Carlo Postell** – Please let the board know if any liabilities arise so we can prepare.

**GeorgeLewis #1577** – The board will be totally notified if and when a liability is agreed upon with the Airport and County.

**Tim Rounds** – Restated his motion to table the Long-Term Plan and to accept the Short-Term Plan.

**Bob Anz** – Seconded the motion for the Short-Term Plan. The motion passed.

**Commodore** – Tabled the Long-Term Plan until additional information is provided from the lease committee.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Treasurer:** Presented the ACME T-shirts. A special thanks to Steve Sexton to providing the artwork. Also want to thank the shirt committee: Jody, Judy, Phyliss, Sue, Mary, and my wife. Barbecue food was provided by Dino and his crew; Italian Food was provided by Jen; Bar Manager was Barbara and her crew; and the servers included Randy (one of the club's newest members) and Lonnie (a future member). Several members also helped greatly with cleanup and putting away tables and chairs. Again, I just want thank everyone who helped make the ACME party a success.

**Vice Commodore:** I want to thank Kevin O'Riordan for organizing the Waterway Cleanup Program this year. The program started last Saturday. Thanks to everyone who participated in the waterway cleanup. The waterway cleanup runs for the month of March. All trash collected should be placed in the dumpster behind the Pit. We will not have any out on the docks. If anyone has registered for the waterway cleanup, Kevin has your t-shirts and please see him after the meeting.

**Docks and Grounds:** None.

**Membership:** None.

**Planning:** None.

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**Social:** None.

**Secretary:** None

**Membership:** None.

**Commodore:** We have a proposed by-law change. Elton Cerda, our by-law chairman, will come up and speak to this change. The proposed change is to add a sentence in the Social Director duties to include the responsibility of appointing a Bar Manager.

The revised section reads as follows:

Article III – Section 12 – The Director of Entertainment (Social) (A) Shall appoint a Bar Manager whose responsibility will be to conduct the operations of the Clubhouse Bar under the general direction of the Social Director. Rev 3/21 (B) May appoint a committee to assist him in the discharge of his responsibilities. (C) Shall plan, promote and stage such social events, community service events, contests, tournaments and such other entertainment he deems appropriate, to promote fellowship in the Club and good will in the community. (D) Shall plan each event, excepting community service events, to avoid a net loss to the Club. (E) Shall stage at least one (1) social event each year designed to raise funds for the General Revenue fund of the Club. (F) Shall co-sponsor, with the Vice Commodore, at least one (1) community service event each year. (G) Shall make a financial and social impact report to the Board of Directors at the next Board of Directors meeting following each event. (H) Shall maintain a posted up-to-date calendar of LSBC activity and facility reservations. (I) Shall communicate in writing with newsletter and web site managers to allow promotion of social events.

#### **Discussion:**

**Glenn Horton #1102** – We've always had a Bar Manager, so why do we need a by-law change?

**Jim Barker #170** – Are we prepared for paper ballot votes? Because a by-law change requires 2/3 winning margin. Jim restated that he wanted a paper ballot.

Commodore decided that tonight's proposed by-law change will be voted on by a show of hands plus online votes.

**Daniel Benson #1721** – How do we know the members voting by hand are eligible to vote?

**Commodore** – Everyone voting has signed in on the attendance sheet or registered on zoom. If the vote is closed, then we can check eligibility.

The results of the vote were 54 Yay and 18 Nay. There were 72 total votes and 75% were Yays. The By-Law change passed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Secretary:** Made a motion to accept the February 2021 Minutes with one change. It did not include the introduction of our new Office Manager/Bookkeeper Marion Hunley. Motion Passed. Announced that the club newsletter advertisement will increase 10% in the month of April 2021.

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**Discussion:**

Elton Cerda asked if the quoted prices were yearly?

Carlo Postell – Yes, the club newsletter ads are yearly prices.

A member asked who can place an ad, and can it be about a non-member business?

Carlo Postell – The motion only pertains to the ad fees and not policy. There is no change to the newsletter ad policy of who can place ad or the business advertised.

**Vice Commodore:** George Lewis has stepped up to be the Chairman of our Dad Dolphin Days fishing tournament. George announced date and times for the tournament:

Thursday June 3, 2021: 7pm Ladies/Junior's Captain's meeting

Saturday June 5, 2021: Ladies/Junior's Tournament

Thursday June 10, 2021: 7pm Men's/Junior's Captain's meeting

Saturday June 12, 2021: Men's/Junior's Tournament

The Dad Dolphin Days fishing committee members are: Sue Freeman, Steve Sexton, Jorge Lang, Ben DeCook, Harriet Samar, Sheila Rounds, and Tim Rounds. Sheila is also doing our shirts.

George pointed out that this will be a limited event due to Covid. He also announced we can still use volunteers to help. Please let any of the committee members know if there is a business that wants to buy a banner. George showed the Dad Dolphin Days shirt. He gave a special thanks to Ben DeCook and Steve Sexton for the design. They received a round of applause from the membership.

The Cinco de Mayo party is coming up on May 5, 2021. It's our charity event to support Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County. The tickets are \$13.00 for the meal and tickets are on sale at the Pilot House and Bar.

Next month, we have Pledge Night in support of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Broward County. There will be two members speaking from their experience as a child (Little) in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program.



**Docks and Grounds:** There will be an ACME on March 20, 2021. We will start at 7:30am. As always, meals and drinks will be provided. Please come out and support the club.

We are still having trouble with members plugged into the electric overnight without listing your name and slip number in the pilot house. Also, we still have member hoses connected to the hose bib without them being present. The club policy is that the water hose must not be left connected to the hose bib once the member has left. This ensures that the staff can detect water leaks when they walk the docks. We have had extremely high water bills in the past due to hoses being left on and hanging in the water. If you see a fellow member's hose connected and they are not present, then please disconnect it. Do not cut the hose.

**Membership:** None.

**Planning:** None.

**Social:** Absent.

**Treasurer:** None.

**Commodore:** None

**Membership:** None

## GOOD OF THE ORDER

**Doug Fordon #1670** – I am shocked that the break in that we had did not come up in tonight's meeting. Are there any plans to improve security or close the two holes in the fence?

**EJ Docks & Grounds** – We have a fence company coming out to repair the holes in the fence. We are looking adding more lighting, cameras, and maybe a fence alarm. There were three different Marina's reported a burglary last week.

**Silvia Tharp #1924** – My guest is getting harassed by club members and I want it to stop. My guest comes to the club weekly and even volunteers in the pit. Is there something in the By-Laws that says how many times a guest can come to the club.

**Commodore** – There is no rule in the By-Laws that state the number of times a member can bring a guest.

**Tim Rounds #1634** – Pointed out the club has a program for honorary members who volunteer at the club.

**Glenn Horton #1102** – Restated that member's guest should not be harassed. He asked the treasurer what the club's bar is costing us.

**Treasurer** – Stated he will get back with Glenn with the Bar cost to include, license, insurance, etc.

**Harold Teieda #1806** – He has people jumping the fence after 7pm. He challenged the person and they waited for their member friend to open the gate. It's all of our responsibility to help with security.

**Daniel Benson #1721** – Are we still have the Charity fleamarket?

**Steve Sexton Vice Commodore** – The flea market has been canceled to the robberies and not many outside vendors. It's going to be rescheduled to late summer.

**Joey Moore #1552** - Zoom Member Question – Why are we raising the rent in April if we have no further information on the lease.

**EJ Docks Grounds** stated we need the money for additional deposits for the lease. The airport is asking for retroactive lease payments at the new rate.

**Carlo Postell** – I asked George Lewis earlier tonight if we had any open lease liabilities. George said no, so why the increase?

**EJ Docks Grounds** – Explained what he expects what are lease liabilities are and we need to start collecting.

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**Harriet Samar Zoom Member Question** – Do we have information on the Poker Run?

**Steve Sexton Vice Commodore** – Jim is running the Poker Run and still in planning stage. The date for the event is April 17, 2021. All proceeds are going to the charity Big Brother Big Sisters.

**Maxim Fernandez #2048 Zoom Member Question** He stated incidents like the break in should be communicated by email.

**Miranda Singley** – I can send a mass email on important issues, on the board gives me the document.

**Anthony Carruba #1717 Zoom Member Question** – Why is everything going up except bar prices?

**Bob Anz Treasurer** – Bar prices will be next

**Card Game: George Lewis**

**50/50: No winner**

**Cooler: Terry Rhoades #1642 selected cooler contents (Bottle of Dewers 12)**

**Fishing Tournament – Not Present**

**Meeting properly adjourned.**



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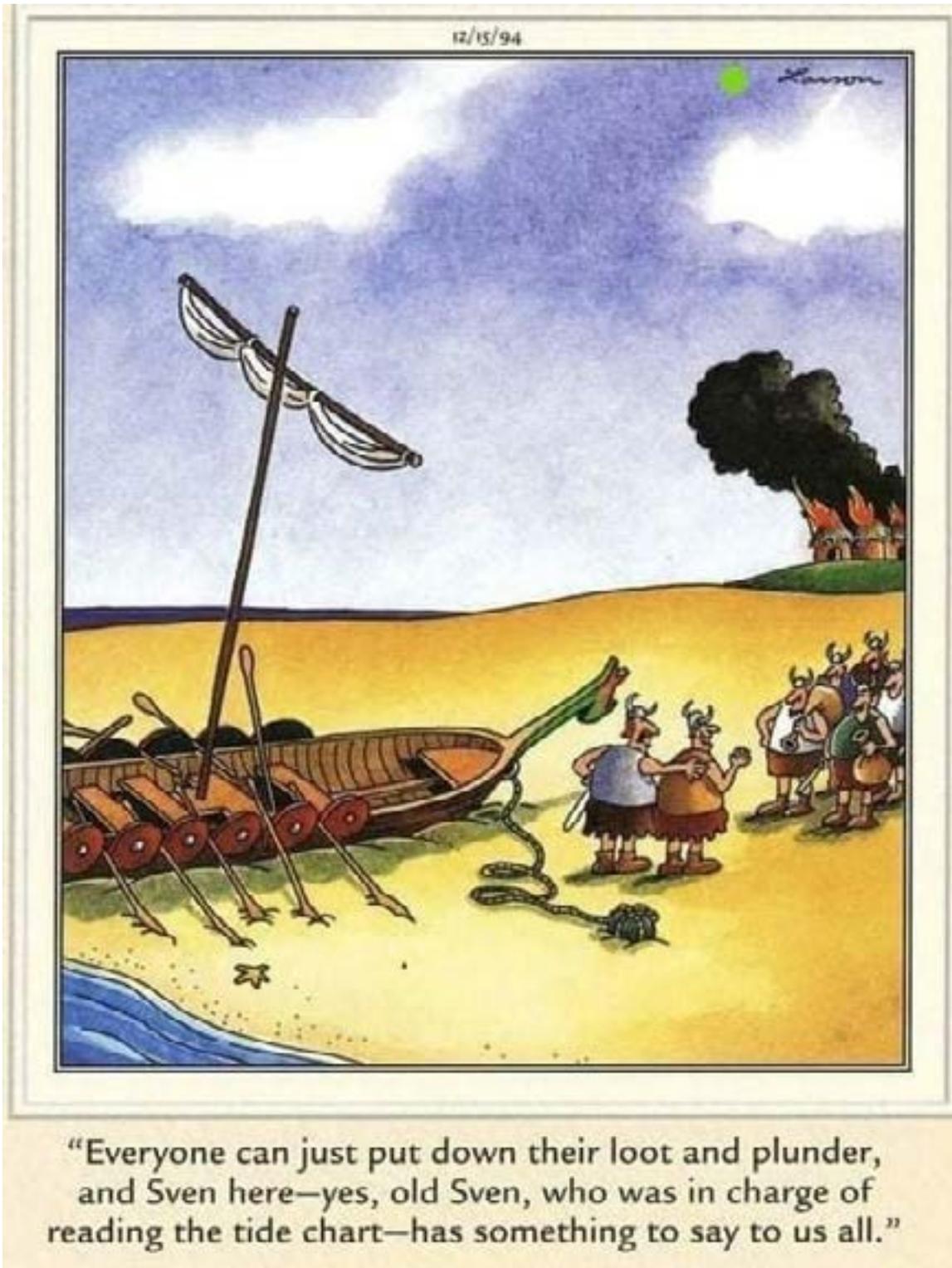
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