



Fleet 17 Boat Club - Meeting Minutes Tuesday July 8, 2025 @ No Wake Bar & Grill

Meeting was called to order at: 7:10

Attendees: Valerie Machalski-Robinson, Carrie Davis, Doug Caughran, Al Ehlers, Andy and Sandra Pieri, Mike Rein, Sue and Bruce Ambler, Nancy Van Broekhoven, Gus, Craig Petersen, Ed Gallek, Steve Barnes, Skip Robinson, Sharon Brabec

Motion to Accept Minutes from previous meeting: Valerie Machalski-Robinson **Seconded:** Ed Gallek

Officer Reports:

Harbor Captain –Carrie Davis

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, August 5th, 2025 @ No Wake Bar & Grill

Thank you to our newest member, Steve Barnes for buying a round of drinks tonight!

Fleet Commander –Valerie Machalski-Robinson

-Good turnout at the June Sponsor of the Month/Social at Spirit Water despite the downpour of rain! Owner was very accommodating.

-July Sponsor of the Month will be at Port Ed's on Wednesday, July 16th at 7:00pm.

-Great turnout for the family picnic. We had 43 attendees. Thanks to Ralph Wenzel for hosting the picnic.

-Poker Run was a big success! 42 attendees. Winners were 1st place-Al Ehlers; 2nd place-Lindsay Peterson; 3rd place-Tina Giurato. Thanks to Dan and Debbie Pearson for hosting the start/stop location.

-Hooky Friday will be on July 25th. We currently have 19 signed up. Please sign up by July 21st. The stops are Ambler/Kief's Reef/Kobats/Christiansens.

-The raft off was beyond my expectations!! 14+ boats/wave runners/kayaks!! Next raft off, weather permitting, is has been moved to Sunday, July 20th, 2025 at the same location....Port Ed's no wake area. This is a change from the calendar date. Please make sure to anchor your boat!

We currently have 11 boats signed up for venetian night. If you haven't signed up and plan on being in the parade, please register by July 9th so we can get started on the prep work/ordering, etc.

Sponsors are automatically members. They do not need to pay for an additional membership.

It helps when people press the "like" button on the Fleet 17 events on Facebook. It will reach a larger audience if it receives a high number of likes, comments, and shares.

Membership- Sue Ambler -

Currently we have 107 members, 49 memberships, 23 Sponsors

We have Fleet 17 stickers printed. Small, Large and Large sponsor stickers. \$2.00 – small, \$5.00 Large. Sponsor stickers are free to sponsors.

Don't forget to write "Fleet 17" on your restaurant receipts so they know their sponsor dues are being recognized.

Sandra Pieri is selling decals of the river/chain- \$40 for an 8x10, \$50 for an 11x14

Cruise Master –Al Ehlers -

Beginning Balance = \$2650

Expenses = \$1650

Income = \$4122

Ending Balance = \$5122

Details are always available upon request.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report – Craig Peterson

Seconded: Nancy Van Broekhoven

Vice Commodore -Doug Caughran – Raft off turned out great. We will do better at anchoring! Drifting too close to neighbors. Need a sign for our raft offs – "Fleet 17, Come Join Us!", which was Steve's idea!

First Mate -Bruce Ambler – Corrina has been to the fox waterway meetings – looking to be the rep for us. They aren't in a hurry to hire someone. Joe Keller is pushing to get her in.

Commodore –Andy Pieri – poker run was a blast. He brought the gavel back!

Admirals Report

Tom Fernstrom – (absent)

Ralph Wenzel – (absent)

Dave Vogeler – (absent)

Kathy Krahel – (absent)

Craig Peterson – n/a

Rhonda Lee – (absent)

Fox Waterway Report – None

You can find Fox Waterway meeting minutes at foxwaterway.com, under meeting agendas.

Doug – Tom Fernstrom has been going to the meetings. Doug went as did Ralph Wenzel. Only one person allowed to represent Fleet 17. It would be good to have representation. Bill Heller is leaving. He was on the board. Debbie Pearson is going to look into it.

Unfinished Business-

N/A

New Business-

Is anyone interested in getting a Fleet 17 shirt. We have only had Fleet 17 Venetian Night shirts. Mark will do the print the shirts

New members get a free small fleet 17 sticker

Prop Sucker:

Susan Joy fell off the front of a pontoon boat as they were leaving

Meeting adjourned at: 8:12

Approved by – Valerie Machalski-Robinson. **Seconded:** Skip Robinson

(argggghhhh!!!!)

2025 Board

Commodore- Andy Pieri

**Vice Commodore –Doug
Caughran**

Cruise Master - Al Ehlers

Harbor Captain – Carrie Davis

Fleet Commander – Valerie Machalski- Robinson

First Mate – Bruce Ambler

Membership Chair – Sue Ambler

***From Inception to Present - Admirals
Past Commodores) are:***

Greg Tricker, Dan Streit, Thom Hastings, George Gurns, Bill Kirn, Tom Seger, Bud Rosek, Tim Swoboda, Teresa Saxton, Bob Jacobs, Bill Silverthorne, Steve Hicks, Jeff Consdorf, Tom Wilke, Lynn Doone, Scott Topp, Lynn Consdorf, LML, Heidi Flanagan, Dave Vogeler, Tom McCrindle, Tom Fernstrom, John Biba, Joanie Van

Allen, Bob O'Day, Dale Reeder, Stephanie Reeder, Roy Huckabay, Ralph Wenzel, Dennis Ryan, Kathy Krah, John Biba, Rocky Hornsby, Craig Peterson, Andy Pieri, Rhonda Simzer-Lee

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