
**BARNSTABLE NEWCOMERS CLUB
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 19, 2014 MONTHLY MEETING**

This was the fifth meeting of the 2013-2014 season. An active social time occurred between 7:00PM and 7:30PM as members socialized with other members over coffee, Soda, and Desserts that were provided by club members. Approximately 35 members were in attendance.

Jack Strudwick, President, called the meeting to order at 7:30PM.

Meeting Minutes

A motion was made, seconded, and voted on to accept the February 2013 meeting minutes. They are available on the Club website (www.barnstablnewcomers.com).

Guests and New Members

Joe and Rosemary Mooney, Membership Committee, noted that there were no guests or first time members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report

Mary Mohan, Treasurer, provided the Treasurer's Report. As of February 28, 2014 the Club's bank account held a balance of \$3,333. As of this February Meeting, BNC has 185 paid members participating in Club activities, which includes 2 new members who joined in February. The report was seconded and accepted.

Slate of Officers for the 2014-2015 Season

The Newcomers Club fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. Club Officers are elected for each fiscal year.

Jack Strudwick presented the volunteers for next fiscal year's Club Officer positions and the Activity Coordinator positions. The entire list for next year is shown as an Addendum to these Minutes.

Jack thanked Tom Broderick for volunteering to be Club President next year, and Mary Mohan for volunteering to continue as Treasurer. He thanked MaryJane Melia who has volunteered to be Membership Coordinator, taking over from Joe and Rosemary Mooney who have so capably handled this effort the last couple of years. Jack also thanked Peg Frasier for volunteering to take over the Dine-In Activity, and thanked Helen McWilliams who is retiring from Dine-In Coordinator after 5 years of super work scheduling monthly dinners at members' homes. Jack also thanked Bette & Bob Silva for continuing to coordinate the Pot Luck Supper, and thanked Ron Lyons who is taking over the January Dine-Out from Connie Champlin who retiring from Dine-Out after many terrific dinners at Alberto's Restaurant.

So, the Club still needs volunteers to fill some vacant positions! We know that everyone is busy, but we do ask that everyone look into their hearts to see if you could volunteer for:

- **Vice-President: helps schedule speakers and entertainment**
- **Secretary: types up meeting minutes and distributes them via email**
- **Mahjong coordinator**
- **Holiday Dinner/Dance coordinator**

Please contact Jack Strudwick, Ron Lyons, Frank McIntosh, or any of the current Club Officers to discuss what is entailed. Thank you very much for considering these openings.

We will be voting to elect the Club Officers at the April meeting.

Business Meeting Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded and accepted to adjourn the business portion of the meeting at 7:40PM and move on to the Speaker for the evening.

Speaker of the Evening:

We were very lucky to have Rob Steen, Assistant Director of the Department of Public Works for the Town of Barnstable, as our speaker.

Rob came with a slide show that highlighted all of the responsibilities of the Town's DPW and then spent time with us explaining and answering lots of questions about ...

- Snow plowing and road maintenance (e.g. the Town snowplow budget was about \$600,000 but the Town has spent so far this winter over \$2 million on snowplowing. The difference will need to be made up out of the Town's 2015 budget.)
- Private vs Public Roads in the Town of Barnstable
- Future Plans for the Transfer Station.

It was a very interesting and understandable presentation and a lively discussion.

Next Meeting: **Wednesday April 16th at 7:00PM.**

Once again there will be social time, followed by a short business meeting and a Speaker. **The April speaker is Chip Bishop, a local author who worked for President Jimmy Carter and has written two recent books on the Theodore Roosevelt family.** He is expected to discuss with us his experiences on the campaign trail with President Carter, as well as provide some thoughts on Theodore Roosevelt as noted in his books. There will be time for questions after his talk.

(Mr Bishop's Bio is up on the Newcomers' website's Homepage if you are interested in getting an early look at his interesting and varied career.)

The evening ended at approximately 8:45pm.

ADDENDUM to March 2014 Meeting Minutes

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**SLATE OF OFFICERS & COORDINATORS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
2014-2015**

Officers/Executive Committee

<u>Position</u>	<u>Name</u>
President	Tom Broderick
Vice-President	VACANT
Secretary	VACANT
Treasurer	Mary Mohan
Membership	Mary Jane Melia
Past President	Jack Strudwick

Ongoing Activities Coordinators

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Coordinator(s)</u>
Book Club (1)	T-Bu Wry
Book Club (2)	Deb Krau
Book Club (3)	Gerry Coyle
Book Club (4)	Joanne O'Connell
Bowling (mixed)	Doug Scott
Bridge, Duplicate	Mary Mohan
Bridge, Round Robin	Muriel & Ron Glantz
Cribbage	Ron Glantz
Dine-In	Peg Fraser
Kayaking	Joanne O'Connell
Mah Jong	VACANT
Movie Discussion	Walter Jebens
Sociable's	Jane McIntosh
Sports Discussion Group	Denis Briand
Stitchers & Chatters	Karen Maier

Annual Activities Coordinators

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Coordinator(s)</u>
Pot Luck/Whist	Bette & Bob Silva
Holiday Dinner/Dance	VACANT
Dine-Out	Ron Lyons

Key Club Support Activities Coordinators

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Coordinator(s)</u>
Hospitality	Doris & Doug Scott
Publicity	Bette Silva
Sunshine	Len Davis
Website Webmaster	Frank McIntosh
