

General Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2025 Marshall Islands Resort 5:15 pm

Committee: Commodore John Phillips, Vice Commodore Cary Evarts, Secretary Karen Earnshaw, Treasurer Karen Earnshaw, Publicity Director Karen Earnshaw, Social Director n/a Membership Director Gary Ehrsam, Quartermaster Ben Vroom

The Annual General Meeting was called to order at 5:15pm by Commodore John.

The minutes of the previous AGM meeting of March 18, 2025 were approved unanimously. Moved by Cary, seconded by Gary

New Business

Installing of new volunteer officers.

There was a short discussion regarding two new members who were happy to become officers of the club. These are Wayne Briscoe (co-Quartermaster with Ben) and Grace Magruder (Treasurer). John introduced a vote and both were unanimously approved for these positions.

In addition, Secretary Karen requested that Diana Briscoe become the co-Secretary and will take over Karen's duties in her absence for a few months from early July. John introduced a vote and Diana was voted in unanimously.

Mooring Maintenance Project at Enament and Eneko Islands.

Cary, who is the project manager, explained that 15 years ago, the United Nations Development Program provided the club with \$50,000 to build 10 moorings to be divided between Enemanet and Eneko. He said that all the materials were locally sourced except for the rope pennants. A couple have been damaged in the recent year and so he ordered 600 feet of line. Some of this will be used to rebuild some of moorings after an inspection event at both island. He said:

"We're lucky to have people who check out the moorings when they tie up to them, and also look at nearby moorings and do some cleaning of the lines and chains."

Wayne raised a question on where the line and other gear will be stored and Cary said that sadly he no longer has a container where he used to store items of this nature.

John mentioned that he would be interested to know if the Marshall Islands Council of Non-Government Organizations could assist and indicated he would find out more about MICNGOs and its physical site.

There was consensus that a storage place would be found before the line arrived, with the possibility the closet that is used to store club products could be used.

Cary suggested a clean-up day on the moorings prior to the arrival of the line. All agreed.

Partnership with Outer Island Schools

John asked whether Wotje or Jaluit was more popular with yachts: The answer is Wotje, which is the location of the Northern Islands High School. John suggested the club could have a partnership with the NIHS to help the students. This item is to be covered further.

Template for reciprocal rights to other yacht clubs

Karen mentioned that yacht clubs in Hawaii increasingly would like a letter from the club stating that the club card holder was in good standing with the MBYC. Cary suggested this could be provided before cruisers travel. Wayne mentioned this could have a fee. John made a motion and it was agreed that \$10 for a letter of this type was reasonable. Karen said she would create a template for everyone's review.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Karen Earnshaw, April 12, 2025