

Meeting Agenda for CHNYC Board Meeting – Monday September 22nd, 2025
Meeting 1800 via Zoom: [Click Here](#)

Attendees

Monica Blanchard
John Nothacker
Rob Schult
Anne Mitchell
Joe Gabriel
Bill Kneller
Ron Oard
Walt Wasowski

Proxies

Jeanne Kelly (proxy assigned to Monica Blanchard)
Wendy Lang (proxy assigned to Monica Blanchard)

Specific Agenda Items

1. Call meeting to order / establish quorum – Commodore Monica Blanchard
2. Vote to approve Minutes from August 25th Board meeting – Monica (Monica assigned as proxy to vote on behalf of Secretary Wendy Lang)
 - a. Minutes posted in Board Business and Members Only Forums August 29th, 2025
 - b. [Link to August Board Meeting Minutes](#)
 - c. VOTE: M. Blanchard motion to vote on approval of minutes; John Nothacker seconds. All in favor - motion approved.

General Updates

1. Executive Board Updates

- a. Commodore – Monica Blanchard
 - i. General Membership Meeting 10/16/2025
 - ii. GMM topics – dues for 2026, exec board turnover votes, board appointments
 - iii. Announcement to membership & nomination deadline- M. Blanchard to send out tonight/tomorrow – need to confirm LCDR Golden nomination for VC
 - iv. Need nominations for end-of-year awards:
 1. Sportsperson of the Year - last year Scott Viloudaki
 2. Volunteer of the Year – last year Jeanne Kelly
 - v. M. Blanchard will send out list of previous awardees so we don't repeat recent awardees
 - vi. Fall banquet reminder: request board members to buy tickets, wear blue blazers, bring emblems (especially if turning over). M. Blanchard will be working on ceremony script with incoming Commodore nominee this week.
- b. Vice Commodore – LT John Nothacker

- i. Recruiting letters to sailing students
 - ii. Will follow up with LCDR John Golden regarding VC nomination tomorrow
- c. Immediate Past Commodore – Kim Lyons
 - i. Position openings for 2026 – progress
 - ii. Not present – M. Blanchard provides update
 - iii. Only remaining vacancy for next year: social director
 - iv. Anyone turning over, reminder to update your position description
- d. Treasurer – Jeanne Kelly
 - i. August financials
 - ii. For reporting period of August 2025, we started the month with \$6,698.08 and ended with \$8,195.09. Income was \$1,696.45 and expenses were \$194.44.
 - iii. Income sources were membership dues, mooring rentals, race fees, ship store sales, and pizza party tickets. Expenses in August were from Paypal processing fees, postage, and Winslow Regatta lunches.
 - iv. Looking forward, we will have mostly expenses for the remainder of the year, the balance of our funds will be used to pay City of Newport mooring permit fees (Nov), insurance policy, US Sailing dues, Fall Banquet, winter storage fees for race mark & moorings through Monarch Marine.
 - v. 9/16/25 – executive board approved a vote to pay \$599 for 24-month Glowhost service (allows us to have our website). This was accidentally omitted from budget and therefore required a vote since it was over \$500.
 - vi. Overall, we are on budget for 2025.
- e. Secretary – Wendy Lang
 - i. Not present – Minutes to be taken from Zoom recording
 - ii. New member welcome letters – Monica for Wendy
 - 1. 19 total new membership letters sent 2025, one family membership recorded and letter sent September 12, 2025.

2. Officers & Committees

- a. Training – Robert Schult
 - i. Geoff Gillespie to serve as Rear Commodore (Training) for 2026. Rob will support transition following October turnover.
- b. Facilities – Pat Tormey
 - i. Mooring utility status
 - ii. Mooring #2 damage
 - iii. Mooring permit renewals due in Nov (treasurer & facilities are tracking)
- c. Cruising – Walt Wasowski
 - i. Mitchell Regatta – coming up 11-13 Oct. Newport YC event.
 - ii. Other cruising events
 - iii. Sale events Newport Nautical or West Marine - Newport Nautical - Saturday 10/4 – will offer special discount to in-stock bottom paints –W. Wasowski will send email to membership
- d. Race Chair – Mike Incze
 - i. RC volunteer status
 - ii. Not present – M. Blanchard notes that final race of the season is this

Wednesday 9/23.

- e. Rhodes 19 Fleet Captain – Seth Moyer
 - i. Will be turning over position to Warren McAullife
 - ii. Summer Series status
 - iii. Awards for Fall Banquet
- f. Shields Fleet Captain – Ron Oard
 - i. Trophy engraving status (Winslow) – will engrave Winslow trophy; target to be ready for 10/18 banquet but may not make it. Rhodes winner was Mike McDonald (Boat 7)
 - ii. helped Navy Shields purchaser get mast up & boat in the water for a short sail.
 - iii. 2 more weeks of racing season
 - iv. Fleet 9 awards banquet 10/8
- g. Trimaran Fleet Captain -Sandy Takacs
 - i. Summer series status
 - ii. Not present – M. Blanchard reports that trimarans have been racing weekly in September on Wednesday nights with CHNYC
- h. PHRF Fleet Captain / Protest Chair – Tripp Alyn
 - i. Status of recent protest
 - ii. Not present
- i. Social Director – Anne Mitchell
 - i. Pizza party review – Sept 6 had approx. 39 people – thank you Jeanne & Joe Gabriel
 - ii. Fall Banquet planning Green Valley Country Club (10/18) – scheduled. Confirmation for all vendors expect Color Guard so far. \$60/ticket. Bring cash for 50/50 raffle.
 - iii. Army/Navy Football Game – 12/13 at Topside Bar (Jean Peterson)
 - iv. Anne to check on deadline for tix purchase
- j. BZ Scholarship – Mary Beth Schmitt
 - i. Not present
 - ii. John Nothacker taking over as BZ Scholarship coordinator next year
- k. Telltale Coordinator – Joe Gabriel
 - i. Status of Fall Telltale (inputs due mid Sept)
 - ii. Inputs received from Monica, Jeanne, Ron, Mary Beth, Anne. Joe will send out another reminder
- l. Webmaster – Bill Kneller – turning around updates quickly. Seeking inputs for 2026 sailing schedule... Add Rhodes series, Winslow, etc.
- m. Web Publishing – Pat Tormey
- n. NBYA Delegate – EC Helme
- o. Social Media – Erin Howe

3. General Membership Meeting - Thursday, October 16th, 2025

4. Next Board Meeting – October 27th, 2025 – tentative. TBD by incoming Commodore