

TSS Women's Sailing meeting notes **for Saturday, April 2, 2016**

In attendance (12): Toni Armstrong, Lesa Dailey, Becky Devillier, Emily Henke, Peggy Horton, Sally Marcinek, Lauren Merritt, Latika Patel, Julie Stocksdale, Janet Wright, Shannon Arthur.

Guest: Amy Puth (friend of Emily)

Next meeting: Saturday, May 7, 10a.m. at the TSS Clubhouse

Agenda: **Planning Session for future meetings.**

Possible speaker 😊

Working on knots.

Main thoughts from the meeting:

Julie and Becky did a beautiful job of walking us through the many aspects their topics.

Julie S. led a discussion on many aspects of bridge requirements, restrictions and etiquette.

She walked us through the process of approaching and going under a bridge, dialogue with the bridge tender and other boaters during the process, rights of way, where to find bridge information, putting your sails down, bridge tide boards, bridge opening time restrictions, and much more.

Becky D. led a discussion on battery saving techniques.

She brought lots of gadgets associated with battery power and maintenance. A few were: a Yeti Goal Zero Battery to assess the amount of power used for an item (AC and DC power) and also for charging items, solar options (Luci Light, Goal Zero Solar panel), a WEEGO jump starter, gadgets for charging electronics, an amp meter, using LED lights and AGM batteries, and much more. Becky also explained how and why to create a Power Budget for your boat.

Note: Men are welcome to attend our educational meetings.

Minutes submitted by: Lesa Dailey 4/11/2016