

September 10, 2013

Rendezvous recap for club newsletter and trade publications

The Hatteras Classic Club completed its annual Nation Rendezvous on September 8, 2013 at the Harbor East Mariner in Baltimore, MD. 60 plus members and guests attended, 15 various size Hatteras yachts were tied to the docks.

The weather could not be better, a true 10, with clear skies, low humidity and temperature in the mid to high 70ies.

Yachts and members who arrived on Wednesday in advance of the all-day seminar held on Thursday at Dalesio's of Little Italy restaurant, received a warm welcomed by the club officers.

The schedule of events for the seminal was focused on topics that would be of interest to Hatteras yacht owners. George Dunigan sales representative for AskoNobel, International Paint/AwlGrip , discussed the latest on bottom paint, the various AwlGrip finishes, varnish and paint. Tom Hug, MR Power Specialist LLC reviewed basic maintenance of Detroit Diesels, common failures and prevention and basic trouble shooting. Steve Cieslak of Harris Fire Protection Co discussed the CO2 system in older Hatteras yachts, maintenance and testing.

Following a luncheon at Dalesio's, Frank Daringer, owner of Mid-Shore Electronics did an in depth review of the latest in batteries, inverters and chargers. He followed up with information on radios, touch screen control, single displays units and control boxes. Review was done on the Hatteras 12 point system monitor, trouble shooting, operation and replacement with a new unit offered by Steve McPherson of Sam's Marine. Broadus Rose, owner of Lookout Boat Window Frames showed samples of the new plastic frame windows and reviewed Hatteras yacht models that have had installations.

Ending the seminar, Chuck Meyers of Blue Water Yacht sales talked about the current status of the new and used boat market, how to get top dollar for a Hatteras or for any yacht and the advantage of having an experienced yacht broker working with you.

The wrap up for the day was a Welcome cocktail party at the Harbor East marina.

Friday, on the dock, member Charlie Lamb did a training class on tying knots. Well over 30 people attended. This was followed by member Harry Hamelink review of LED and Halogen lighting. The team from Harris Fire Protection Co did the annual inspection of the fixed CO2 systems and portable extinguishers on 12 yachts.

Friday pm, half the yachts docked, were open for tours follow on Saturday with the club annual meeting and election of officers, with a second yacht open house. That evening a cocktail party and dinner was held at Dalesio's.

The Hatteras Classic club officers elected for a 2 year team are

President

Ben Fishel

Vice President Tim Cober

Membership/Secretary Ed Miles

Treasure Brad Price

With the guidance of national rendezvous fleet captain Don Butte, planning is under ways for the September 2014 club rendezvous to be held at St. Michaels, MD. In March 2014 many club members will be on a cruise together to the southern Caribbean.