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45th SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Plymouth Yacht Club, 34 Union Street, Plymouth MA

Wednesday October 7, 2014, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm

- 9:30 am** **Welcome, Review of Agenda and Approval of 44th SAC Minutes** (H. Knowles)
- 9:45 – 10:00** **SAC Business**
- i. Announcing New SAC Members (H. Knowles)
 - ii. New Recruitment (N. Ward)
 - iii. 2016 SAC Meetings (N. Ward)
 - iv. ONMS Budget Update (C. MacDonald)
- 10:00 – 10:30** **Discussion Topics**
Council “Round-Robin” (H. Knowles)
- 10:30 – 12:00** **Programmatic Highlights 2015** (N. Ward)
- i. Sister Sanctuary Program (N. Ward)
 - ii. Research (D. Wiley)
 - iii. Education Outreach (A. Smrcina)
 - iv. Safe Boating around Whales (D. Slocum)
 - v. Boathouse Renovation (B. Haskell)
 - vi. Maritime Heritage (M. Lawrence)
 - vii. Volunteer Activities (A-M. Runfola)
 - viii. “Volunteer of the Year” Award (A-M. Runfola)
- 12:00 – 1:00** ***Working Luncheon: Autonomous Underwater Vehicles Reveal Secrets of Sea Creatures from Scallops to Sharks*** (A. Kukulya, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution)
- 1:00 – 1:45** **Constituent Reports**
- i. Review of Vessel Strike Impacts on Endangered Humpback Whales in the Southern Gulf of Maine (R. Asmutis, Whale and Dolphin Conservation)
 - ii. To be announced (H. Rosenbaum, Wildlife Conservation Society)
- 1:45 – 2:15** **Agency/Governmental Reports**
- i. MA Coastal Zone Management (T. Callaghan)
 - ii. MA Environmental Police/NOAA Law Enforcement (P. Desroches/T. Wilmarth)
 - iii. New England Fisheries Management Council (NEFMC) (M. Bachman)
 - iv. Greater Atlantic Region Fisheries Service (GARFO) (A. Rosner)
 - v. Whale SENSE Update (M. Pepe, Whale and Dolphin Conservation)
- 2:15 – 2:45** **New Business**
- 2:45 – 3:00** **Public Comment**
- 3:00 pm** **ADJOURN**

The Advisory Council may take action on any of the above items on the agenda. Times of agenda items are subject to change. Public comment period will remain as advertised.