

AGM Minutes Wednesday September 18, 2013 - Fishers Island

1) Roll call of fleets:

- Fishers Island – Charlie Van Voorhis
- Long Island Sound – Jim Bishop, Jr., Jim Bishop, Sr.
- Marblehead – Herb Motley, Bill Widnall
- Nantucket – Ian McNiece
- Northeast Harbor – David Schoeder
- San Francisco – Rich Pearce
- Bermuda – Sacha Simmons, Bob Duffy
- Chester – Greg Lawrence
- Norway-Inner Oslo Fjord – Not Present
- Norway-Outer Oslo Fjord – Not Present
- Sweden – Not Present
- UK – Not Present

2) Approve minutes of the 2012 AGM – Rich Pearce, Herb Motley 2nd

3) President's report from Danielle Lawson (Appendix A)

4) Treasurers report from Kin Yellott (Appendix B)

We took in \$8,000 this year for a total of \$12,000 in the bank. The only outstanding expense is to reimburse the Fishers Island fleet for \$1,500 to defray some of the cost of measuring the boats in the fleet (the total cost to FI was \$4,200). We have made back the cost of the book.

5) 2013 Events Remaining – North American Invitational, San Francisco, October 10-13

6) 2014 Events – Selection of site for next World Championship: Approved by Herb Motley, Bob Duffy 2nd

- Bermuda Race Week May 4-9, 2014 (TENTATIVE)
- Nantucket Invitational June 13-15, 2014: Would like more timely r.s.v.p.'s to better plan
- World Championships Tonsberg Seilforening, Norway June 23-27, 2014: Gil Manuel, Chief Judge
- Nantucket Pro-Am August 14-15, 2014
- North American Invitational Chester, Nova Scotia August 28-31, 2014

As of now on the rotation, LIS is scheduled for both the 2015 NAs and Worlds. This will be addressed by the executive committee in the next few weeks. Bermuda was contemplating turning Race Week into the NAs whenever it is the fleet's turn for the NAs. No one liked that idea!

7) Measurements – Charlie Van Voorhis

There is someone building an IOD from scratch in Colorado and someone in the UK who wants to start building IODs. We are determined to make sure any new IODs meet the proper specs. The two mold sets are in the US and Sweden.

Charlie has a power point presentation showing the differences of the boats in the FI fleet from the "design" IOD compiled from Bjarne Aas plans. He did laser scans on the actual boats to see how different they were. As an example, he used the front of the cabin house. There was 1 ½

inch difference from low to high. If you were to base your mast position from the cabin house on the specs and not the actual boat measurements, your boat will not be tuned properly. Charlie will write up a report and put it on the website. The executive committee should consider supporting other fleets that want to undertake this laser measurement project. The World Class is reimbursing the Fishers Island fleet \$1,500 of the total \$4,200 cost. The cost to measure each boat was \$700 plus \$125/hour for Mr. William's time. Each fleet will have to negotiate with him directly.

8) Advancing the Fleets –

Fishers Island has become more competitive as a group to make each other faster (one drawback is that a couple of people have left the fleet that were not competitive). This is starting to entice other good talent. One person bankrolled a boat for the juniors to sail on Saturdays. Most of the boats are syndicates (one bankroller, one manager for parts/crew).

Nantucket racers are getting older and they are trying to entice the college kids on the island for the summer. The racing has been very competitive.

NEH has turned into a summer resort instead of a community with people only there for a 2-3 week stay. They have some racing where they let others take the helm for experience. They race on Wednesday nights with no spinnakers.

Marblehead has the MIT connection. They are working on a collegiate IOD regatta. They want to approach new yacht club members who are not boat owners to get them out on the water.

Bermuda has casual racing on Wednesday nights to bring in new crews. It is PHRF mass racing with usually 30 boats on the line (chutes are used). It's hard on the weekends to get people out because they have so many other obligations.

We should make our presence known at spring collegiate regattas to entice the college students for the summer.

Selling points for the IODs include going to "really cool places", you don't have to lug a boat, the Bermuda Gold Cup match races.

Charlie will head a strategic planning group which will include (but not be limited to) Penny Simmons, Ed Kavle, Peter McCausland, Rick Thompson.

9) Fleet Reports – (Appendix C)

10) Any Other Business – The Book. There are 950 copies remaining, all in Herb Motley's hands. We should get them to libraries in racing communities and yacht clubs. Give them to housing hosts, judges at regatta and use the book as a marketing tool. It costs \$10 to ship the book in the US and \$35 overseas.

11) Election of Officers

- President -- Danielle Lawson
- VP -- Charlie Van Voorhis
- VP – Sacha Simmons
- VP -- Urban Ristorp
- Treasurer – Kin Yellott
- Secretary -- Jennifer Miller

Other advisors:

- David Schoeder
- Shawn Mulrooney
- Bob Duffy as Past President
- Peter McCausland - strategy committee
- Herb Motley as Historian

12) Adjourned Meeting

Addendum:

Order of finish for the regatta:

Marblehead Widnall/Lindblad *Bjarne Aas Trophy (took with him)

Fishers Island van Voorhis *Allegra Trophy (took with him)

Bermuda 1 Simmons *Edinburgh Bowl (took with him)

NE Harbor 1 Henry

Nantucket 2 Weedon

Bermuda 2 Cooper

LIS Bishop

NE Harbor2 Schoeder

Nantucket 1 McCausland

San Francisco M. Pearce

Priscilla Kehm Trophy for outstanding crew went to Jonathan Farrar (Fishers Island) for local knowledge on the winning boat (he also won in 2004). He took the trophy home.

Shields Trophy went to Bill Reed (Fishers Island). He took the trophy home.