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2017 Annual Meeting Minutes

St Francis Yacht Club, Chart Room 2/28/207

6:33 Meeting called to order by Admiral David Wiard with roll call by Secretary Risley Sams. The following boats were present; 19 in total (including proxies) 16 without. A full quorum was called by the Admiral David Wiard and meeting commenced.

- 47, 85, 99, 102, 103, 107, 111, 116(proxy), 120, 122, 125, 128(Proxy), 130, 132 (Proxy), 134, 140, 142(proxy), 143, 144

Not present were:

- 39, 100, 105, 108, 114, 115, 117, 123, 127, 133, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 141

6:37 Meeting called to Order by David Wiard

Summarize Agenda

- We began with introductions around the table and new owners celebrated
- Summarize 2016 IKC Event
- Financial Report
- Season Registration & Website Updates
- Season Schedule
- Major discussion on the re-written Class Rules
- Discussion and vote will focus on implementation
- 2017 IKCs in Oslo
- Open Discussion
- Hope to adjourn in about 90 minutes
- We have belts and ties for sale tonight

a) Fleet Status and Opportunities

- I expect 2017 to be an exciting season because:
- We are leveraging our exposure from our high profile 2016 event
- 2017 season will be the qualifier for 2018 50th IKCs in Denmark
- We expect more boats on the line and would like to acknowledge:
 - 107 bought by Hans Williams
 - 103 bought by Tim Dowling
 - 142 on charter by Mark Adams
 - John Buestad plans to charter/and hopefully buy

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- Others boats that have been idle have indicated the plan to active

- There are some good boats for sale on our website
- Owners from other one design fleets have expressed interest
- We need to get these people sailing in the fleet to foster their interest
- We are one of the most desirable and competitive fleets on the bay

I. Reports

a) Non-Profit Organization Status

- We applied for a Tax Exempt (non-profit) Status and IRS awarded it to us
- Why?
- To be legitimately recognized by banks and event sponsors
- Alleviates the need and cost to set up a separate corporation to run an IKC event and process large amounts of receipts and sponsorship money.
- As a recognized 501c(7) tax exempt organization:
- Annual reporting is minimal with online 99N form
- Allows for an occasional event like our IKCs that process larger income and expenditures like typical of an IKC year.
- Unlike a 501c(3) contributions to SFBKA are not tax-deductable
- The c(7) status means we are essential a Club that derives its income primarily from member dues.

b) 6:45 Secretary's Report (Risley Sams)

- Revised website. Knarr.us still the place to go
- Online Registration- through Google Forms
- Fleet Communication, online on Knarr.us and Emailed
- New Knarronedsign.com website to launch soon as an international centralized website

c) 6:50 Treasurer's Report – Risley Sams on behalf of Joanne

- notes on the fleet's finances:
 - o Balance will increase when we sell off about 2 of remaining jibs, spare whisker pole tube, neck-ties & belts
 - o Jibs are \$600 each

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in relation to an event like the J-70 Worlds even though their members in that fleet are minimal.

- h) Additionally, this led to initially being quoted even higher rates for our socials which Mark and I took a firm stance against with the club leadership and management.
- i) I say this to portray the club in a negative fashion but rather highlight that the event returns to this club every 6 years or so, and the special and historical connection of our fleet with the club gets forgotten with the transition of management, leadership, and especially at the committee level where newer members of the club with no knowledge of the event finds their way into committee leadership and are led astray that they feel a trendy new fleet with no members are more important to the club than a member-centric fleet.
- j) For those of you who are members here at this club, keep your leadership reminded of the focus of the club should be for the experience of its members.

III. 7:00 Schedule 2017 (Steve Taft)

- a) Goal of the schedule:
 - a. 30+ races
 - b. Plenty of throw-outs
 - c. Do not tie up all your weekends
 - d. Season standings mean something; they determine IKC qualifying
- b) Regular Season
- c) Perpetual Series
- d) Wednesday Night Series
- e) CBRA Series

- Comments from the floor were frequent after Steve presented the proposed Schedule. Main issue that prevailed was the Moseley Regatta conflicted with 2017IKC in Oslo and that the 6 teams that would be in Oslo would not be there. Already a lightly attended event. Alternate was to race the CBRA race #1 in May on the Circle on May 13th. Floor voted and approved to drop the Moseley Regatta but for this year only!
- Sean proposed that we make an exact number of throwouts this year and Steve responded we can only do it on the number of races raced in a season.

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- Jon Perkins wanted to propose that we race on Saturday as well as Sunday of the Leukemia Cup and raise even more money. He thought we could race alongside the J22 racing on Saturday during the Leukemia Cup.
- There was a motion from the floor that we not count the very first race of the season and make it a warm up.

7:49 Steve Put forward a motion to approve the 2017 Schedule with the following revisions

1. Drop the Moseley regatta this year and substitute in the CBRA #1 SFYC on the Circle May 13th.
2. The First race of the first regatta of the season is a non-counter for the 2018 IKC

The motion was seconded and passed

7:55 David Wiard Class Rule Changes

- a) No proposals have been submitted to the Admiralty
- b) Since Class Rules can now only be change by the International body (IKA), only motions that affect our local fleet may be made tonight and require are larger majority than if they were submitted for distribution to the membership in advance.
- c) Your admiralty has worked with the IKA body for years to re-write the class rules in a modern (World Sailing) format.
- d) There is now one rule document that accommodates boat differences by country (give examples).
- e) Our goal tonight is to determine a motion that finally allows implementation here and can accommodate any problems that might arise that puts any current boat "Technically" out of compliance.
- f) We think we have a good solution.
- g) The Admiralty hereby submits a motion that the International Class Rules are duly adopted with the condition that all boats actively racing comply with the rules by virtue of the Grandfather Clause, unless some aspect is perceived to provide a reasonable performance advantage. Such issues will be resolved by the International Technical Committee of the IKA. The method of remedy shall not exceed the addition of compensation weight to be added, or the specification to be brought into compliance of the new 2017 Class rules. Mike Ratiani Seconded ith

This motion had a flurry of discussion from the floor and a great deal of questions re what is grandfathering boats. At 8:37 Jason Holloway suggested we review these rules and have a meeting with the fleet during a regatta. Terry Anderlini suggested that we have a 30 day review period for the fleet to review and comment period on the new IKA rules. Then the Admiralty has 30 days to respond. Borrowing form Jason's earlier suggestion, Terry

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suggested that we have a meeting after racing on the Saturday of the Woodies to discuss and vote on the IKA Rules at that time.

h) Amended motion was passed at 8:41PM

IV. 8:42 SFBKA Article Changes (David Wiard)

a. With the Class rules adopted and method of implementation resolved we need a second motion:

b. "The motion is to authorize the Admiralty to re-write the SFBKA Articles of Association to remove redundancies covered by class rules and include the motion just passed." (The re-written document will note repeat class rules and only cover aspects of local fleet governance and qualification and existing essential orders of business.

After David Reviewed the consolidation, the motion was put forward by David Wiard, Mike Ratiani seconded and motion passed with little discussion

V. 8:45 2017 IKCs David Wiard

Location: Oslo, Norway

Date: August 5 – 12

- We need to advise them no later than April 1st of our roster
- We have 5 spaces, plus 1 for the 2016 defending Champion, Chris Perkins
- If Chris does not go then the Norwegians will fill vacancy in accordance with the IKC Deed of Trust.
- All boats committed who qualified except Don Nazzal was not sure yet.
- Knud proposed that we ask the Norwegians if they could take more teams (ie so we could send 7 teams, Denmark 6 & 12 from Norway). Said we would ask but not sure if Oslo fleet has that many good boats.

VI. 8:47 IKC Deed of Trust Updated David Wiard

- Action taken at 2016 IKA Joint Admiralty meeting held during the recent IKCs.
- Changes are mostly language cleanup from known problems.
- Materially it is the same, but read it. It will be available online as the 2017 version.

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VII. Other Business or Discussion Points from the Floor

a. None

9:01 PM Adjournment



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