



## 2016 Annual Meeting Minutes

St Francis Yacht Club, Chart Room 2-23-2016

**6:39 PM** Meeting called to order with roll call by Secretary Risley Sams. The following boats were present; 21 in total. A full quorum was called by the Admiral David Wiard and meeting commenced

47, 85, 99, 102, 104, 105, 107, 111, 114, 115(proxy), 120, 123, 125, 128, 130, 132, 134(Proxy), 140(proxy), 141, 143, 144(Proxy)

Not present were:

- 39, 100, 103, 104, 108, 110, 111, 116, 117, 122, 124, 127,132, 133, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 142

### **6:41 PM Secretary Report, Risley Sams.**

- Risley Introduced Randy Hecht and John Bustead to the fleet as the new owners of Knarr 128, they plan on keeping the knarr designated as 128..
- Website is even better. being regularly posted to, look for race results, articles etc. there on the home page.
- If you need something distributed to the fleet, best to go through the secretary.
- Reminder that the seasons entry packet has been emailed and we will take credit cards after meeting for dues if people wished to register tonight.
- Mark Dahm pointed out the IKC website would be hosted by the StFYC and a link to it would be on Knarr.us

**6:45 PM Treasury report** given by JoAnne Schov. The SFBKA started the 2015 with a balance of \$8,538.36 and took in an income of \$5,500. In 2015 the SFBKA had expenses of \$4126.08. Leaving a starting balance of \$9,912.28 in 2016, which is separate from the IKC Budget as noted by David Wiard

### **6:47 PM Measurer Report: Graham Greene**

- He reminded everyone that it is easier to measure new sails at loft, but owner's responsibility to get sails measured before racing. He said from a customer service perspective its better.

### **6:49 PM David Wiard 2015 Summary of first year with new racing schedule**

- Admiral David Wiard gave the fleet a recap of last year's racing schedule that he put into place as Vice Admiral. He said the new schedule had worked very well
  - Increased participation, and gave a good combo of 1 and 2 day events
  - The perpetual series put more races out there and gave fleet embers more options

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- He said we were invited to many social events and asked that the fleet continue to support the clubs that put on our races by coming to post race events

**6:59 PM Vice Admiral Steve Taft: The Proposed 2016 schedule**

- Steve presented the new schedule to everyone in the room
- Races start in April this year as the Spring Keel conflicts with the final race of the GGYC Midwinters and there are 9 Knarrs signed up for that regatta
- Focus on races from clubs that provide the best racing SYC, SFYC & StFYC
- First Race, Resin Regatta in April SFYC on the Circle
- 33 races in the season, 5 throwouts
- Steve said that the fleet would be buying jibs for the 2016IKC and selling them after the regatta in order to make boats more fair for the IKC
- Wednesday night races start in April. See everyone on the water

**7:07 David Wiard put forth a proposal to amend (clarify) Article 10 in the SFBKA Articles of Association**

He discussed the need to clarify co-skipper, helmsman and charter rules for the fleet to avoid misunderstandings. Dave Brought forth the motion at 7:10 and Don Nazzal seconded it.

Discussion ensued.

- Jason Holloway said that what he was reading was still unclear and the example used to explain the co-skipper rule does not define whether we round up or round down to the nearest whole number. He suggested we make an example that states in which direction to round.
- Mike Ratiani suggested that we should make a definition of helmsman
- Randy Hecht and John Bustead said what if we want to trade off in a middle of a race who the skipper is? David Replied, not really done, in general the helmsman who starts the race finishes the race.
- 7:24 Motion made again by Dave Wiard, with provision to add Jason's "rounding to the nearest whole number" example. seconded by Charlie Griffith. Passed unanimously by all 21 boats.

Other Motions: there were none except that:

1). Randy & John asked about the measurements on the chain plates of different boats. Asked if there were strict rules because they noticed that some boats had chain plate bars for the shrouds and others did not. A variety of answers were given from the crowd and the net result is that none of the boats is out of alignment with the parameters set by the Blue book

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2). Mark Adams, jokingly made a motion not to vote again on a weight limit. John and Randy asked why not? They said if you want to have interest in the fleet then maybe you should? A litany of answers were given to the question and by the end, no real motion was made.

**7:39: Mike Ratiani** spoke on International Class Rules moving towards but never joining (ISAF)

- Not enough countries to become ISAF, just combining rules to be more in alignment Internationally
- Knarrs will be an International Class and look very similar with minor differences between countries (ie we will have a special prescription for no stern drawers)
- Mike R replied its only for the rules not set up

**7:45 2016 IKC Chairman Mark Dahm stood up and gave us an update on the IKC planning for this year**

- All the major positions have been filled but he still needs volunteers
- Housing was his Key request of members present. If you know of anyone with a room or two to share please contact him or Vince Armando
- Vince will be reaching out to everyone soon so start thinking now.
- NOR will be posted on March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Mark said that we need \$100,000 to run the regatta, only 25K Raised so far. Really need another 40-50K. Looking for corporate sponsorships to help offset costs. Not in-kind but cash.
- We have sponsorship letters out to Finance, auto & Boat companies.
- Need to wrap up sponsorships soon. Mark was open to getting bow stickers on boats and perhaps logos on sails if the sponsor brought cash. All is negotiable.
- Mark thanked everyone for their help

**8:05 David Wiard** asked if there was any more business to be addressed, none was presented and Meeting was Adjourned at 8:05pm.

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