

J/105 Fleet # 1 July 26, 2006 EXCOM Meeting Minutes.

Present: Stuart Taylor, Tom Kennelly, Paul Farr, Tim Russell, Pat Benedict, Peter Lane

Apologies: Tom Struttmann

1 Financials:

Current account balance stands at \$6539.58 with \$600 payment for MayFest raffled jib sheets yet to be made.

2 2007 National Rules Submission:

Excom reviewed the 10 rules submissions being discussed by the National Excom and provided feedback in advance of the August National Excom conference call. (The National excom will finalize the submissions in advance of the National AGM on Oct 26th. Submissions will be voted up or down at the National AGM and passing submissions then forwarded to the membership at large for comment)

3 Weighing Update and BBS Measurement:

29 boats have been weighed in 2006. The latest weighing results will be posted on the web site shortly. The excom resolved to draft a local rule, for voting at the Fleet #1 AGM, which will require all owners that have been members of Fleet #1 in 2004 or 2005 or 2006 to have completed weight certificates if they plan to race in the 2007 season.

Measurement checks will be made during the 2006 BBS to verify (i) boats sailing on Float Line Certificates have all the equipment required by the certificate on board and correctly stowed; (ii) amended weight certificates in cases where lead has been removed or added and a weight certificate amendment filed with the fleet measurer; (iii) that sail tags used in the 2006 BBS are registered on the National web site. Note that it is the owners responsibility to ensure that their sail tags are registered on the national site. Boats with unregistered sail tags will be DSQ'd. The BBS weigh-in form will be modified to require the inclusion of sail tag numbers.

4 2007 Fleet #1 Rules Submissions

Fleet # 1 membership is invited to submit new rule or change suggestions. In order to allow sufficient time for debate, submissions should be made to the fleet captain and fleet secretary no later than September 1st. Submissions should be articulated in close to final wording. Debate on any rules submissions will conclude by November 1st and voting up or down of submissions will take place at the Fleet #1 AGM (date tbd but most likely early November)

\$100 rule: The excom debated the merits and potential unintended consequences of the so called \$100rule. Although there was consensus on the need to reduce the amount of boat-on-boat contact, consensus was not achieved on the \$100 rule being the appropriate vehicle. The excom resolved to develop expanded wording that included wording regarding boats that continue to race or retire after being hit and also discussed increasing the dollar amount to \$500. The expectation is that a submission will be made to modify local rules and will be voted upon by the Fleet#1 membership at our AGM.

Category 2 Sailors: The excom discussed open eligibility of ISAF Category 2 sailors. (The current process requires an owner to seek excom approval for a Cat 2 sailor to crew). More work will be done on understanding ISAF's current definition of Cat 2's before further

discussion takes place.

5 2007 Racing Schedule:

The 2007 A Season schedule is in early draft form. As compared to the 2006 schedule, the excom resolved to ask StFYC to: move “MayFest” to June, include the J/105 fleet in the Stone Cup and to ask SFYC to add an additional regatta in June.

The excom has also expressed the fleets interest in repeating the Belvedere Cup, as either a match or tem race, and have asked StFYC to include a J/105 team race event if the schedule permits.

The B season events will be determined once the A Season dates are more solid. The excom expressed some concern that the B Season events have not been well attended this year. Additional dialog will be sought with members of the fleet who do not participate in the A Season in an effort to provide events that better meet their needs. In this regard, there was some discussion regarding requesting a non-spinnaker J/105 OD fleet at J-Fest.

6 Other Business:

A request was received from an east coast based boat, in CA for the NA’s, to compete in the 2006 BBS with a suit of new HA class legal but untagged sails. The excom rejected the request.

The excom agreed that competitors in the Aldo Alessio Friday Ocean Race will be permitted to use an old class legal, tagged and registered mainsail and a different class legal, tagged and registered mainsail for the remainder of the regatta
