

LSYA Annual Meeting Minutes

8 November 2008

9:00 AM

1 Welcome and Introductions:

In attendance:

Mike Spence (Commodore): AIS-WYC/AIYC

Dave Crum (Vice-Commodore): AIS-WYC

Mark Gross (Treasurer): AIS-WYC/AIYC

Pete Kulenkamp (Secretary): SCSC/DYC

Chris Bailey: TBYC

Bill Dunlop: TBYC

Scott Spaeth: WYC

Keith Stauber: DYC

Jeff Romey: TBYC

Dale Shymko: TBYC

Chris Wells: TBYC

Steve Henry: DYC

Eric Thomas: DYC

Terry Cano: TBYC

2 Approval of Agenda: Motion to Approve: Wells, 2nd Gross, Passes Unanimously

3 Minutes of 2007 Annual Meeting: Motion to Approve: Peterson, 2nd Thomas, Passes unanimously. Copy of 2007 Minutes are available upon request from secretary: uksuperior@gmail.com

4 Reports

4.1 Secretary's Report: Kulenkamp

4.1.1 We gave our proxy for US Sailing Annual Meeting to Area K Director Don.

4.1.2 Correspondance:

1. 28 August 2008: I received a check from Felucca in the amount of \$50.

2. 8 October 2008: I received an email from Jeff Roney(Chas) requesting to pay his annual race fees.

3. 5 November2008: I received an email from Susan Turnham, DYC, requesting I inform the LSYA members of a North U seminar to be held at the Kitchi Gammi Club on 28 March 2009. Visit www.northu.com, or email Susan at smturnham@aol.com.

4.1.3 Our reservation for the Annual Party was dropped/never made at Figtgers. I reserved the Sand Bar at Grandma's Restaurant as an alternative. Unless there are any objections, I will be reserving the Sand Bar again next year. I will also attempt to get a discount on hotel rooms in Canal Park.

4.1.4 I would like to resign at the end of this meeting.

4.1.5 Motion to Accept: Crum, 2nd Peterson, Unanimously approved

4.2 Treasurer's Report: Gross

4.2.1 See Attached Report

4.2.2 AIYC has not paid annual dues but will. Eric Thomas believes

DYC has not paid dues, and reports that his club would like to better understand the value of membership in LSYA. General Discussion. Gross will send letter to member clubs explaining the value of membership in LSYA. See email attached to Treasurer's Report.

- 4.2.3 Motion to Accept: Peterson, 2nd Stauber, Unanimously approved.
- 4.3 Rating Committee's Report: King(absent-no report given)
- 4.3.1 We will continue scoring TOT PHRF. Bill Peterson requests that scorers and member clubs be more diligent with recording start and finish times, and forwarding them to Dave Crum quickly.
- 4.3.2 Pete Kulenkamp notes that LMPHRF chose to require membership in US Sailing(and not recognize CYA membership) to receive a rating. This is unacceptable. It is strongly suggested that member clubs of the LSYA write letters to LMPHRF requesting they acknowledge CYA membership. Letters can be emailed to lmphrf@lmphrf.org, or snail mailed to:
- Lake Michigan Performance Handicap Racing Fleet, Inc.
ATTN: Paul Ainsfeld
1135 Maricopa Dr.
Oshkosh, WI 54904-8118
- 4.3.3 In order to rate CYA boats until LMPHRF accepts CYA membership, Bill Peterson moves that a provision be added to the ratings section of the NOR/SI's that will allow a CYA member to use an older PHRF certificate or the generally accepted rating of a stock boat without penalty, providing no modifications of any kind of been made. A modified or "one-off" boat will be required to apply for a new LMPHRF certificate, which will then be accepted in following years. 2nd Crum. Passes Unanimously.
- 4.4 Scoring Committee's Report: Crum
- 4.4.1 The scores on the website are updated. We will continue to use the online registration next year. Late entries are subject to a late fee. Registrations must be received as directed by the NOR/SI's for an entry to be valid. This includes both the fees, as well as required documentation (LMPHRF Cert, crew lists, waiver, etc.). Visit www.lsy.org after 1 January 2009 to either register online or print off the required documentation and mail it in.
- 4.4.2 General discussion as to whether registration process and SI's need to change. Eric Thomas proposes a high point scoring system that removes LSYA from taking times and calculating results, and instead takes races results from a selection of races and awards a winner. The goal is to allow clubs to run their races, and simply serve as a promotional organization for racing and sailing on Lake Superior.
- 4.4.3 Motion that in order to be considered entered in the season series, a boat/skipper must have paid their fee and have all necessary paperwork on file in the manner described by and by the date declared in the 2009 SI's. Peterson, Thomas 2nd, passes unanimously.
- 4.4.4 Motion to accept report by Peterson, 2nd Thomas, unanimously accepted.
- 4.5 Appeals: Crum: None

4.6 Sailing Instructions: Peterson

4.6.1 The RRS are changing this year, so Bill will be reviewing and editing our SI's as appropriate.

4.6.2 He looked at Chicago with regard to the offshore safety requirements, and the group discusses removing the requirement for a raft providing an EPIRB is carried. The group decides against this, no motions. Bill will work with Eric Thomas to ensure SI's dovetail with Trans-Superior SI's.

4.7 Publicity: Peterson

4.7.1 Peterson feels we need to mail some sort of postcard/invite/flyer to potential members. He also feels we should work with Northern Breezes to better promote our events. Stauber volunteers to help with the postcard, as well as ensure fleets have accurate information on their websites. Dunlop, TBYC, requests CA info be forwarded to him.

4.8 Website: Crum

4.8.1 Crum is redoing/updating the website this winter. The club will again use Compete-At for registration information. This should be operational around March 1.

4.9 Richardson Cup: Spaeth

4.9.1 The Richardson Cup was held at WYC this year, and the event exceeding everyone's expectations. They hosted 12 teams, a first, from five of the six lakes. 74 races were held on eight J22's in three days. Our Lars Hansen lost by ½ a boat length to Steve Lowrey from Lake Michigan.

4.9.2 Financially, we just about broke even. All of the umpires donated their travel expenses, and the WYC members housed anyone who requested housing.

4.9.3 Next year the event should technically go to Lake Huron, but they were the only lake not to show this year. Chicago/Lake Michigan might host if Huron chooses not to, but we might also bid to host again.

4.9.4 Motion to subsidize Hansen's \$250 entry fee by contributing half. Gross, Crum 2nd, carries unanimously.

5 Unfinished Business

5.1 Discussion of 2008 Season:

The racing and weather this summer was great, but there was a lot of confusion about how and when to enter. The mid-distance race in Bayfield to end the International Triangle was well received.

5.2 Trans-Superior 2009 Report: Thomas

5.2.1 The Trans committee currently expects the solo and double-handed divisions will greatly increase, and are also working to gain new crewed entries. The skippers meeting will be the Friday morning before the races and boats will be required to be in the Sault by Thursday evening to foster comradery. The boats will again tie up in Slip 2 in Duluth. There will again be a tracking system. The safety regulations will parallel the GLSSS and LSYA crewed regulations. The cruising class will have some form of

score qualifier for motor use. There will be more formal inspections before the race. There is a discussion of a long course and a short course.

5.2.2 Entry Fees

The Trans is part of the series, but is NOT included in LSYA fees. The Trans fee is \$250 USD. The race starts Saturday, August 8.

6 New Business

6.1 2009 Race Schedule

Race 1: 27 June 10:00 CDT: Around the Islands: Skippers meeting at AIYA at 8:30 CDT

Race 2: 1 August 10:00 EDT: 48th International: Skippers meeting TBYC at 8:30 EDT

Race 3: 8 August 12:00 EDT: Trans-Superior: Skippers meeting 7 Aug.

Time/location TBD

Race 4: 15 August 10:00 CDT: Duluth to Bayfield: Skippers meeting time/location TBD

6.1.1 Discussion of Cruising/delivery rally from Houghton to Sault St. Marie

6.1.2 Motion to approve the 2009 schedule: Peterson, Bailey 2nd, unanimously approved.

6.1.3 There will possibly be a cruising rally to Silver Bay July 20.

6.2 The 2009 Annual Meeting will again be held 7 November at the Gitchee Gami Club.

6.3 2009 Fees: All in USD

6.3.1 LSYA Annual Fee: \$75 if all paperwork and money is processed by 15 June. \$125 after 15 June.

6.3.2 The series is four races with one throw-out.

6.3.3 Trans-Superior: \$250 by 6 July. More after. Registration closes 25 July.

6.3.4 There is NO discount for US Sailing or CYA memberships.

6.3.5 Single event entries are welcome, and shall comply with the host clubs NOR and SI's. They will NOT be scored or eligible for LSYA Season Championship Awards.

6.4 Election of Officers

Commodore: Dave Crum

Vice-Commodore: Chris Wells

Treasurer: Mark Gross

Secretary: Pete Kulenkamp

6.4.1 Motion to approve election: Stauber, Spence 2nd, unanimously approved

7 Meeting adjourned at 12:24 pm CDT.

