

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the International Raceboard Class Association

Date: Thursday, 5th September, 2013.

Venue: Nove Mlyny, Pavlov, Czech Republic.

Minutes

1. Welcome and registration of voting delegates and email votes

Delegates and observers were welcomed to the meeting. Paul Leone, Class Chairman, sent his apologies for not being able to attend this year, and proposed that Ceri Williams, Class Secretary, chair the meeting.

There were 12 delegates and email votes; the meeting was declared quorate.

Fernando Consorte - committee member

Sam Wong - committee member and email vote

Marc Cardon - committee member and email vote

Argentina - Gustavo Almenara

Australia - Greg Macinnes

Czech Republic - Radim Kamensky

Finland - Juha Blinnikka

Germany - Uli Gasch

Great Britain - email vote

Poland - Max Wojcik

Slovakia - Patrik Pollak

Spain - Luis Camacho

Ceri Williams - proxy votes for Paul Leone, Murat Tuten and Jean Francois Reggio; however, it was decided not to use those votes unless required.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting and any matters arising

There were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's Report

Ceri Williams delivered a brief report on behalf of the Chairman.

It was in many ways a successful year for the class with a near record entry at this year's worlds, although the entries to the Youth and Masters had been down, and were particularly disappointing in the youth division. However he thanked Starboard for supporting the championship in Monfalcone with charter Phantom 295.

Continental Championships had also taken place in Australia (Oceanics - 27 entries) and Argentina (South Americans - 40 entries).

Despite the downturn in youth entries, the industry had responded with continued support for "hybrid development" and we are now facing the prospect of 4 hybrid one design classes - Bic T293, Phantom 295, NP RS:One, and NP RS:X. Was this time to review the development of longboard racing in the youth division?

4. Financial Statement

5. Class Rules - there were no proposals to amend the Class Rules.

6. Class Championship Rules

There were no proposals to amend Championship Rules. However, a proposal that the Class Committee may review, and possibly amend, the Championship Rules in the light of the unanimous approval of the meeting to comments from the floor, was approved. YES 12; NO 0.

There followed a detailed discussion of the Group Racing format being applied at these championships. It was unanimously approved that the class committee introduce the following amendments to championship rules:

(i) single fleet racing with 80 or less competitors entered in a division;

(ii) option of single fleet or group racing for 81 - 99 competitors, decision of Class Representative;

(iii) group racing with 100 or more competitors entered in a division;

(iv) minimum of 5, and maximum of 8 races in a qualification series;

(v) minimum of 2 days and maximum of 4 days to complete a qualification series;

(vi) in group racing a second discard will be taken from the final series, and at that stage the first discard shall come from the qualification series;

(vii) 10 or more competitors and women shall have a separate start.

7. Future Championships and venues

2014 South American Championships - Mendoza, Argentina 25-29 March
2014 African Championships - Algeria, March - tbc
2014 Europeans, including Youth & Master - Sopot, Poland 16-21 June
Spain presented 3 possible options (venues) for the World Championships, and it was agreed that the class committee follow up these options.

8. Elections

The following committee members were re-elected:

Paul Leone (GBR), Marc Cardon (FRA), Piotr Hlavaty (POL), John Ellis (GBR), Sam Wong (HKG) Fernando Consorte (ARG), Murat Tuten (GER), Jean-Francois Reggio (FRA). YES 12; NO 0.

9. Any Other Business

The meeting unanimously approved a proposal that the standard class rules be applied to future Youth Championships ie youths may race on any registered production board with any 8.5 sail.

Meeting closed at 22:30hrs