

U.S. J/24 Class Association Meeting Minutes

Date: 6/13/2016

Start: 7:05 p.m. EDT

Adjourn: 7:50 p.m. EDT

Present (X):

Chris & Julie Howell X
1 – Charlotte Kinkade X
2 – Craig Correia
3 – Aidan Glackin X
4 – Chris Stone
6 – Anthony Parker
7 – Russell Cook
8 – Alex Bolan X
10 – Dave Noble X
12 – Marcus Rogers X
14 – Kelly Holmes-Moon X
15 – Tim Oelschlager
18 – Josh Bowens for Todd Warnygora X
19 – John Mason
20 – Jasper Van Vliet
21 – Vacant
22 – James Foster
Will Welles
Chip Till X
Molly White X
Kat Malone X
Bob Kinsman X
Jeff Johnstone

Agenda:

1. Call to order and attendance
2. Approval of minutes of last meeting
3. President's Report
4. Class Office Report
5. Regattas
6. District Governor Brief Reports
7. Technical Report
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Next Meeting

Description:

1. **Call to Order and Attendance** – Chris H. read the attendance as noted above.
2. **Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting** – Chris H. distributed the previous meeting minutes via e-mail. *No comments were made via e-mail or on this call, and the minutes were approved.*
3. **President's Report** – Will was unable to join the call, so Chip spoke on his behalf. The US National Championship was a fantastic event and well organized. Tim Winger and Aidan Glackin did a great job with measurement. Will won, with Carter & Molly in second. The 2017 Worlds are in Toronto, following the 2016 Worlds in Japan. The goal is to plan events three years out. Any yacht clubs interested in a US-hosted event should e-mail the Class Office at director@j24class.org. The Executive Committee recently met to discuss the 2017 North American Championship which is scheduled for May 26-28, and then the US National Championship organizers in Seattle selected the week prior (May 19-21). The EC discussed this issue at length and felt that, although the timing is not ideal, there are little or no people who would be affected. The dates will stay as currently posted. Regarding membership, District Governors should work with their fleet captains to make sure that everyone is current on their membership status.
4. **Class Office Report** – Chris H. reported that the USJCA has 431 members so far in 2016 (470 at the June 2015 meeting). Charitable contributions in this calendar year = \$1,730. The USJCA website has been rebuilt, which the Executive Committee will review before making public. This is a conversion from an old Word Press site, which became incompatible with a software update. The new site is a newer Word Press version.

5. **Regattas** –

2016 US National Championship @ Sayville Yacht Club recap: Aidan would like to see the Class own www.j24nationals.com so people can find the site more easily. Regarding the adjustable headstay length, no one changed it but it is easy to do.

Upcoming events:

2016 North American Championship @ Port Credit Yacht Club, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, September 8-11

2016 World Championship, Japan, September 19-23

2017 Midwinter Championship @ Eau Gallie Yacht Club, Indian Harbour Beach, FL, February 10-12: Dave said the NOR will be posted in a week or so, and they are seeking sponsors.

2017 US National Championship @ Corinthian Yacht Club, Seattle, WA, May 19-21

2017 North American Championship @ Houston Yacht Club, Houston, Texas from May 26-28

2017 World Championship @ Port Credit Yacht Club, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada,

September 15-23, 2017: Keep up with 2017 Worlds qualifiers at <http://www.j24usa.com/j24-fleet/qualified-for-2014-worlds/>. Bookmark this page for easy reference.

Charleston is likely hosting the 2018 NAC.

Checkout the USJCA online calendar for event information:

<http://www.j24usa.com/events/calendar/>

Please remember to forward the following information on regattas in your area to the Class Office: regatta name, dates, event website, host yacht club + its city & state, contact person + his/her e-mail & phone #. We want to help promote your events!

6. **District Governor Brief Reports** –

1 – Charlotte Kinkade: 15 boats in Portsmouth, 17 in Burlington, and 6 in Scituate. They are focusing on bringing youth in. The District 1 Championship is at the Lake Winnepesaukee Sailing Association from September 23-25.

(District 2: The District Championship is at Sail Newport from July 9-10, and the NE Regionals are at Buzzards Bay August 5-7.)

3 – Aidan Glackin: Discussed above.

8 – Alex Bolan: Two big events in the spring were Easter Regatta and Charleston Race Week. The fleet is growing in some areas, including young folks.

10 – Dave Noble: The fleet is still going strong and seeing some fleets, such as Melbourne, growing.

12 – Marcus Rogers: The second part of the Hoosier Regatta had 10 boats, and Cleveland Race Week is this weekend with four boats. Districts are in August in Put-in-Bay, which they are hoping to grow.

14 – Kelly Holmes-Moon: The fleet gets about 20 boats on the line generally, and there is a lot of interest in buying boats. Many women and youth are involved. The circuit was just in Corpus Christi and then goes on summer hiatus until September.

18 – Josh Bowens: They have 7-10 boats on Lake Dillon and 4-5 on Cherry Creek. The Districts are in September...look for the NOR soon.

7. **Technical Report** – Bob was interested to see how the headstay adjustment went at the US Nationals. It's important that we monitor and discuss how this affects owners so that the IJCA World Council can adjust the Rules as necessary going forward. Aidan added that the Nationals had some good dock talks about GPS devices.

8. **Old Business** – N/A

9. **New Business** – The Executive Committee will review the wall calendar income/costs and decide how to proceed for the 2017 edition.

Some discussion ensued about the cost of a charter boat. There are many variables including length/location of event, demand for the event and the status of the boat. General consensus was around \$500 per day including the practice day.

10. **Next Meeting** – Monday, August 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. EDT

Action Items:

- District Governors will work with their fleet captains to make sure that everyone is current on their membership status.
- The Executive Committee will review the wall calendar income/costs and decide how to proceed for the 2017 edition.

Next Meeting: Monday, August 29, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. EDT