

BARNEGAT BAY YACHT RACING ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DELEGATES MEETING

10/4/75 @ BHYC

ATTENDANCE - All Officers present
All Clubs present

Meeting called to order at 1820 hours.

Minutes of 5/17/75 Delegates Meeting approved as submitted.

Secretary advised no receipt of any new communications. -

COMMITTEE REPORTS

USYRU - Dr. Irving Dunn

Reported on the very successful season season BBYRA enjoyed in National Cup events, not only in the Bay and Area Championships, but National Finals as well. Shawn Kempton, OGYC, won the Smythe Trophy, and Jay Lutz, MCYC, placed a good second in the Sears Cup. Report filed.

Recognition was also given to Betsy Davis, LYC, who placed second in the National Woman's Single Handed Championship at Association Island. She ultimately was chosen, with another California girl, to represent the USA in the World Finals held in Spain. Finishes of the World's not available asithisgreport was prepared.

SAFETY PATROL COORDINATOR - Chet Sedgley

Reported CB units worked fine. Recommended sets be fully checked prior to start of next season. Also recommended purchase of 10 additional auxiliary power packs to overcome problem of battery run down experienced this year because of constant use. Extended plaudits to the women of the various member clubs for their fine support of BBYRA during the past season.

CONTRIBUTING MEMBERSHIP - Jim Reynolds

Unable to attend but submitted report. Membership increased from 422 in '74 to 639 in '75, resulting in a net income of \$2,368.00. Recommended that the work load be divided among several people, and that the BBYRA should plan for a minimum 700 membership in '76. Report filed.

*SECRETARY - Werner Dahl

No official report. All went well once the duties and functions of the office were understood. Requested BBYRA Clubs who have not done so. so submittheir list of Delegates and Representatives ASAP

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to enable the Commodore to complete committee assignments.

MEASURER - Dr. Irving Dunn

No report.

TREASURER - Ed Feirer

Balance on hand as of 9/25/74 \$5,444.96
Income \$10,527.50
Expenses \$ 9,531.33
Balance on hand as of 9/20/75 \$6,441.43
Report audited by Norman S. Brown and filed.

FLEET CAPTAIN - Homer Dennis

Reported on continued contact with N.J. Marine Police and Coast Guard Auxiliary stressing BBYRA continued efforts to stress Safety on the water. Advised that changes in USYRU code signal flags should not present conflict with signal flags currently used by the BBYRA. Report filed.

<u>USYRU</u> - Dr. Irving Dunn

Discussed past history and philosophy of NAYRA leading up to the change in name to USYRU. Also reviewed the proposed structural reorganization changes which will bring in Class Sailors and the Off Shore Racing Group. Sailors have needed a more direct voice with a corresponding speed up in communications. Much has yet to be done but the steps already taken are in a positive direction.

Plaudits to Dr. Dunn for his fine efforts in representing BBYRA interests in USYRU.

BY-LAWS AND RACING RULES - F. Tommy Brooks

Reviewed previously recommended merger of the Delegates and Regatta Representatives into one group. Special Committee study report of 7/11/75 decided that both functions should "remain as separate units".

Proposed amendments to BBYRA By_Laws, No. 8, 'Voting' and No. 11, "Regatta Committee" was not acted upon. Notice had not been given in writing to each Club at least 30 days prior to meeting.

REAR COMMODORE - W. Norm Berson

Expressed thanks to all the foredeck crew for their fine support this past season. All BBYRA equipment accounted for and will be stored at BHYC for the winter months.

VICE COMMODORE - Roger Brown

Expressed thanks to all members of the Regatta Committee during 1975. The season was uneventful and successful with the BBYRA starting a total of 2,008 boats. Strongly urged that <u>ALL</u> yacht clubs join and support USYRU.

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COMMODORE - Carl Bach

Expressed thanks to all for their fine support given the BBYRA during the '75 sailing season. 'A good year, with fine sailing and few if any problems'.

SCORER - Bob West

Plaudits to all members of the Scoring Committee.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE - F. Tommy Brooks

Submitted the following slate of nomineessfor Officers and Executive Committee:

Officers

Commodore Roger K. Brown
Vice Commodore William N. Berson
Rear Commodore Sumner W. White III

Treasurer Edward W. Feirer Secretary Werner F. Dahl Measurer Dr. H. Irving Dunn

Executive Committee

Richard H. Norwood, BHYC
Walter J. Ritchie, BYC
Norman S. Brown, BYC
Robert W. Engle, IHYC
Homer F. Dennis, IHYC
Warren B. Law, LYC
Frederic W. Winkleman, LYC
F. Michael Heinrich, MRYC
B. Gilbert Patterson, MRYC
John Kerr, Jr., MYC
William D. DeCamp, MYC

Frank W. Dockery, MCYC
John F. Kenny, NBYC
Clifford A. Warren, NBYC
Dr. Donald W. LaVan, OGYC
Carl L. Bach, OGYC
Job L. Gash, SPYC
F. Thompson Brooks, SPYC
Howard Secor, SAYC
Stanley Wojciechowski, TRYC
James L. Fagan, TRYC

Unanimously elected and Secretary directed to so cast ballot.

Newly elected Commodore Roger Brown took over command of the BBYRA tiller and submitted the tentative BBYRA Regatta Schedule for 1976:

6/26 BHYC at MYC
7/3 IHYC at IH
7/10 —SAYC—&—MCYC at SA
7/17 TRYC at TR
7/24 MYC at M
7/31 Open Date

8/7/T OGYC & BYC at OGYC 8/14: NBYC at NB 8/21 MRYC at TR — — -8/28 LYC at L 9/4 SPYC at SP

Future Meetings

Liason Meeting 11/8/75 at TRYC Special Delegates Meeting 12/6/75 at BHYC Regatta Committee 2/7/76 at MRYC Delegates 4/10/76 at BHYC Regatta Committee 5/8/76 at BHYC

Committee Appointments

Unable to submit due to lack of sufficient personnel information from all yacht clubs.

Old Business

None

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New Business

Audit of Books: Treasurer advised audit was completed by Norman Brown. Audit approved as submitted.

Purchase Authorization: Approved BBYRA 1976 basic expenditures based on 1975 costs plus 10% increase to allow for inflationary increases.

Also approved expenditure of \$400 for purchase of ten (10) auxiliary power packs for CB radios.

SPYC specifically requested to try to improve public address system used during awards night at the end of the sailing season.

Warren Law, Commodore, LYC, reviewed sailor lunch problem with suggestion that BBYRA charge for lunch, increase entry fees, or eliminate lunch entirely. Commodore Brown requested all Delegates to review the matter with their respective clubs. All thoughts and suggestions will then be presented at the special Delegates Meeting on 12/6/75 at the BHYC.

Bill Wood, New Boat Committee, alerted all Delegates to request from MYC, IHYC, and TRYC for BBYRA acceptance of new Laser Fleet with modified, mini-rig. Fleet intended for use by junior sailors.

Bill Wood, Insurance Advisory Committe, recommended insurance should cover all BBYRA perpetual trophies. Carl Bach appointed to chair committee, assisted by Bill Wood, Homer Dennis, Roger Brown, Norm Berson, and Summy White to prepare historical research and record of all BBYRA trophies, includingnames of individual yearly winners.

Delegates approved expenditure of \$100 to reimburse Blue Jay boat owner for spinnaker lost when boat was loaned for the BBYRA Midget Championship eliminations.

Fred Winkleman, LYC, advised BBYRATOR LYC planned bicentennial boat parade on 7/3/76. Member clubs are invited to participate.

Len Egee, IHYC, requested a new base for the Aowell Trophy to accommodate name space for *75 IHYC winner. Dr. Dunn will arrange for a larger base.

Newly appointed Rear Commodore Sumner White was presented with the BBYRA cannon, to <u>have</u>, <u>hold</u>, and <u>maintain</u> during his term in office.

Meeting adjourned at 2215 hours. Rene Freyre saluted new BBYRA Officers with solo performance on his Scotch Bag Pipes.

Respectfully submitted.

Werner F. Dahl, Secretary.

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REPORT OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH AMERICAN YACHT RACING UNION 1975

The yearly Meeting of N.A.Y.R.U. was held at the Chicago Yacht Club the week of January 20th, with the Annual Meeting on January 23rd. Preceding the Annual Meeting were numerous sectional, class and special meetings occupying the whole week.

The report of the Secretary indicated a net decrease of 623 individual members, although 49 institutional members were gained.

The Treasurer indicated a loss of \$41,000.00, at least half of which

is due to moving of the central offices from the New York Yacht Club to the Avenue of the Americas.

The revised Rules of the Road at Sea is hoping to reconcile Rules of the Road for Inland Lakes and Rules for Western Rivers so that all are in conformity. They will be submitted to Congress in 1976.

The Junior Sailing Committee has accepted the addition of a two-handed boat to supplement the multihanded Sears and the singlehanded Smythe competitions. This will be known as the Bemis Trophy. For those who may not be aware, these Finals for the year 1975 are sponsored by the B.B.Y.R.A. and hosted by the Bay Head Yacht Club. It is to be noted that the Junior Championships in 1976 will go on a calendar year basis for age eligibility, using January 1 instead of the traditional September 1, so that one must have reached his or her 13th birthday and not have reached the 19th birthday before January 1 of the year of competition.

The North American Women's Sailing Committee altered their philosphy concerning eligibility so that a sailing team could have a crew coming from four different yacht clubs but all must be from the same yacht racing association. A pitch was made by the Chairman to permit single women to become members of yacht clubs in their own right, contrary to present custom. Additional competition in this area is to be fostered by a two-handed competition to be sailed in 470's at Association Island for the Memorial Adams Cup. A singlehanded competition has also been added to be sailed in Lasers, same place, for the Mertz Trophy. These are open competitions.

The Mallory competition this year will not change, but a new concept may be brewing for 1976.

The Singlehanded North American Championship has been altered somewhat in its concept, indicating qualifiers to be limited to one for each Area and other competitors to be designated by the Committee from the top finishers in Laser, Finn, OK Dinghy, Sunfish, Force Five, Banshee, U. S. M -- 32

Youth Championship and Canadian Youth Championship, with additional allocations possible from Intercollegiate Yacht Racing Association and the North American Women's Singlehanded Championship.

A new committee has been added to NAYRU known as the Class Racing Committee. Encompassed in this category is the One Design Council, the U.S. Youth Championship oriented towards high level competition in high performance boats in large fleets; additional responsibility for the functioning of Association Island as a training ground for United States potential champions.

The Off Shore group had a very lengthy presentation which included some alterations in their measuring philosophy and changes in the technique and cost of recertification.

The Racing Rules Committee indicated that in addition to Parts I and IV, the right-of-way rules should be restricted from change in sailing instructions - Rule 22.3 (personal additional weight), Rule 26 (Advertisements), Rule 49 (Fair Sailing), Rule 58 (Rendering Assistance), Rule 68.3(a) (designating International Code Flag B as always acceptable for protest purposes). Alteration of Rule 38 will become "Luffing and Sailing Above a Proper Course After Starting" and Rule 40 will merely be "Luffing Before Starting", avoiding present conflict between # 37 and #38.

The U.S.I.S.A. - they are broke but propose to spend \$110,000.00 in 1976.

Resolution passed that the N.A.Y.R.U. amend Article I of the BY-Laws to read, "The name of the Corporation is United States Yacht Racing Union, Inc.". A coordinating Committee to work in conjunction with the Canadian Yachting allocation is to be formed to continue the coordinated programs and make such modifications as are necessary. Study of restructuring the Union with a possible mutiple council concept will be carried out; one Council for yacht racing associations, one for off shore sailors and one for one design sailors.

Election of officers seated as follows:

President - Lynn G. Stedman, Jr.
Vice-Presidents - Andrew T. Kostanecki, Connecticut
Richard I Stearns, Illinois
Gordon M. Curtis, Jr., California
Robert McCullough, Connecticut

Secretary - Richard B. Nye Treasurer - Richard C. McCurdy.