Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association Regatta Committee I Meeting Minutes November 19, 2011 Metedeconk River Yacht Club

<u>Call to Order</u> – Vice Commodore Bob King called the Regatta Committee I meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call – All BBYRA clubs were present except for Mantoloking, Ocean Gate, Pine Beach and Shore Acres Yacht Clubs. Also present were Commodore Ed Reardon, Vice Commodore Bob King, Rear Commodore June Kingman, Fleet Captain Ed Vienckowski, Secretary Jennifer Alldian, and Measurer John Applegate, P/C Richard Proko, P/C Jack Heacock, P/C Bob Morrow, and P/C Bill Scheyer.

Committee Chairs present were Class Eligibility Ed Vienckowski, and Sailing Instructions Committee Chair Rich Kerdock.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> – Steve Foster motioned to approve the Regatta Committee II minutes of February 19, 2011, seconded by Ed Vienckowski. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commodore Ed Reardon thanked MCYC for hosting the meetings and Fran Lynn for the lunch that she provided. Commodore Reardon mentioned that MCYC member Paul Gelenitis would be coming to make a presentation about the 2012 Championship of Champions that MCYC would be hosting.

Correspondence - None.

Officer Reports

Regatta Committee – Vice Commodore Bob King thanked the Regatta Committee for their support. It was a good year.

- Vice Commodore King suggested that we survey the Race Committee and find out what jobs they would like and what days they would like to be there.
- ➤ Vice Commodore Bob King suggested a basic race management seminar in the spring where the Race Committee would participate and work together as a team. This way any issues would be worked out. Vice Commodore Bob King asked Fleet Captain Ed Vienckowski to set it up.
- > The BBYRA contact list should be updated to include cell phone numbers and summer home phone numbers.
- > Volunteers that helped on the Rose course were not found on the 2011 BBYRA contact list and it was suggested they be added to the 2012 list.

Class Liaison & Equipment – Rear Commodore June Kingman reported that most were happy with the 2011 season and requested a similar schedule for 2012. The E-Scows wanted a revised schedule for the AM and PM fleets. The E-Scows already have a separate schedule for AM and PM fleets. Please describe

the revised schedule they are seeking.] The Lightning Fleet indicated they would not be sailing on the Bay next year. . All the fleets that sailed on the white course in 2011 wanted to sail on the green course in 2012. [I believe the RC agreed with making this change but was there a vote of the RC Committee actually remove the white course?]

Equipment - Rear Commodore June Kingman reported that we are in good shape and we would have an update in the spring.

Safety & Training — Permits have been filed. I don't believe the permits have been filed.?? We will be buying new radios in the spring. A further update would be available in the spring. There is a shortage of judges. US Sailing has initiated one day club level judge seminars. One is scheduled in Annapolis on December 3-4 and another in Annapolis in January.

Measurer – Measurer John Applegate thanked the previous Measurer Jim Carson for his years of service. Measurer John Applegate said that each class will deal with their own issues.

YRA Rep to US Sailing – P/C Harry Foote said that there would be a new rule book coming out in January 2013. Proposed rule changes take place the year after the Olympics. P/C Harry Foote mentioned that judges do not have enough protest work. The sailing instructions are being amended. Some proposals include 1) that there be one turn for an infraction at the starting line (instead of the current two) and there be two turns for infractions during the race (instead of one); 2) hearings will proceed faster at the dock and there will be a penalty phase.

Appeals – Chair Jan O'Malley submitted a report by mail which said there are no appeals to report.

Protests — Chair Tom Sollas emailed a report to Rear Commodore June Kingman. In 2012 there were seven filed protests/redresses. Four protests were requests for redress; of which three were denied and one was withdrawn. The other three protests were boat vs. boat; of those two were withdrawn and 1 boat was disqualified. An eighth redress from SPYC was not heard because it had no affect on the overall standings. Issues to be worked on include:

- Recommend two recorders on finish boats, as well of the line officer.
- Recommend that the finish boats be equipped with digital recorders, and that they be used on all finishes.
- > Recommend that all digital recorders (start and finish) be archived in a central location accessible to the RC and PC.
- Recommend that when a barrel course and a portable course are in use by two fleets on the same circle, that the RC always finishes the portable mark fleets downwind.

Scoring – Scorer P/C Jack Heacock reported that there are no races so it is quiet.

Registrar/Assistant Scorer – Since the Len Egee trophy also comes with a \$5000 grant (foundation to be established by donor)there was a discussion on who is a junior. The donor would like junior crew to be include in the count, but it was determined that this would be too difficult to administer. Steve Foster said a junior should be defined by the Sailing Instructions.

- Sunfish a junior is 18
- > Laser a junior is 19
- > 420 a junior is 22

The deed of gift is written "junior qualifier". It was suggested the deed of gift can be changed to take out "junior" and determine an age. Vice Commodore King will look at the Notice of Race and the Sailing Committee will discuss and make a recommendation.

Sailing Instructions — Sailing Instructions Committee Chair Rich Kerdock said the team is the same as last year: Jim Carson, June Kingman, Bill Scheyer, Del Kusma, John Applegate and Dave Magno. They asked that all requests be given to the committee prior to their first meeting on December 10, 2011. They would have a report in February.

Class Eligibility – Class Eligibility Chair Ed Vienckowski reported that no petitions have been received and the November 15th deadline has passed. The Lightning's voluntarily withdrew from the bay. They hope to be able to return to the bay in the future. The junior sunfish want to sail with the seniors.

US Sailing National Cup Events — A thank you to TRYC for hosting the Junior National Championships (Sears, Bemis and Symthe). TRYC agreed to hold the Area C semi-finals for the Sears, Bemis and Symthe in July 2012.

Unfinished Business - None

New Business

1. MCYC member Paul Gelenitis said that MCYC would host the Championship of Champions in sandpipers on June 17. The annual tuneup race is being held the day before at BHYC. There will be five races with 10 – 11 boats. Paul (2011 Champion of Champions and 2011 Sandpiper Champion) will chair the regatta and therefore not sail. He asked that fellow MCYC member Mimi Dimon be allowed to sail in his place. Vice Commodore Bob King can invite someone to take Paul's place. There will be committee boats to take spectators out. The race would start at 10 or 10:30. The time was subject to change since the MCYC

- Executive Committee had not approved the regatta yet. The Junior Sunfish and Radial Champions would also be invited.
- 2. Any Rib craft problems are not standard problems. Only one boat (MYC) had a bus problem. There is not a general recall. Winterization guidelines need to be finalized and distributed. Treasurer James Maida and P/C Rich Proko will work on the 2012 Charter Agreement. A request has been made by OCC to use the ribs during their Spring and Fall Regatta's. They might be allowed to be used in other regatta's also (Powder Puff, Junior Olympics).
- 3. Steve Foster would like a tax letter saying we are a Non-Profit.
- 4. Toms River Seaport Society exhibit is open. On December 11, from 2-4 there will be a Holiday Party in the building with the A-Cats.
- 5. On the green course, boats must sail by the start boat so that the sail number can be verified. On a busy day it is too hard to verify the boats if they have not sailed by.
- 6. White boards are good; but we need to come up with a way to make them stationary. The Rose Course had holes in them.
- 7. In the Yearbook, page 27, Sanderlings Fleet has to be consistent with the other fleets.
- 8. The "Ollie" is used on the white course but not the green course. 1) Is it loud enough? 2) Is it consistent? If you trust it, then use it. Commodore Ed Reardon is against its use. Commodore Reardon commented that you lose the way to do it manually and sometimes the timing sequence can be wrong. We still use the flags. P/C Bob Morrow agrees with Commodore Reardon. We should continue to do what we do.
- There has to be a way to get the lunches out to the RC. So much time is wasted on the radios trying to get lunch. A solution would be for the lunch to be on the boat before it leaves the dock.
- 10. Stan Switlick was in the Star Ledger with the Lt. Governor.

Announcements

- 1. BBYRA Ball will be held at MYC on June 23, 2012.
- 2. Regatta II meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2012, 10:00 a.m. at TRYC.
- 3. Liaison II meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2012, 1:30 p.m. at TRYC.
- 4. Forms for providing yacht club contact and representatives were passed out. It was requested that they be returned by December 15. (At this time we are missing SAYC and the mailing addresses for IHYC).

Adjournment - With no other business to come before the Regatta Committee Steve Foster motioned to adjourn, seconded by Lorraine Morrow. Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer C. Alldian Secretary

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