

**Barnegat Bay Yacht Racing Association
Regatta Committee II Meeting Minutes
February 22, 2020
Toms River Yacht Club**

Call to Order –Vice Commodore Allan Terhune called the Regatta Committee II meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. He welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Toms River Yacht Club for the use of their facility.

Roll Call – All BBYRA clubs were represented except Beachwood Yacht Club and Island Heights Yacht Club. Also in attendance were the following BBYRA Officers: Commodore Mark Masur, Vice Commodore Allan Terhune, and Rear Commodore Russ Lucas. PC Jack Heacock, PC Harry Foote, PC Ed Reardon, PC June Kingman, PC Richard Proko, and PC Ed Vienckowski were also present, along with Tom Sollas, Protest Chair. Lorraine Morrow served as Acting Secretary for Jenny Buck. An attendance sheet for Regatta Reps is attached to the minutes.

Approval of Minutes – PC June Kingman made a motion to approve the Regatta Committee I minutes of November 16, 2019. PC Jack Heacock seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous consent.

Commodore's Greeting

- ✓ Commodore Mark Masur welcomed everyone to the meeting and outlined the agenda for the morning.
- ✓ Commodore Masur also mentioned the passing of John Applegate. A Celebration of Life Ceremony will be held at the Island Heights Methodist Church on Saturday, March 14, 2020 at 11:00 AM.

Correspondence

- ✓ Thank you note received from the Applegate Family.
- ✓ Document from Mimi Dimon of the Sandpiper Fleet with changes in race course selections.

Officer Reports:

VC Allan Terhune - Old Business:

- ✓ Contacted Sea Scouts run by Bill Murphy. They are trying to put together a team to sail some races with the Ensigns. The group can also serve as a patrol or pin boat for BBYRA races.
- ✓ Allan plans to continue our Junior program which encourages juniors to join the Regatta Committee on Saturdays. One of the juniors from Toms River who worked the pin boat all summer was present at our Regatta Meeting. VC Terhune asked all clubs to go back to their members for the names of more juniors for the upcoming summer series.
- ✓ Website/Media: We are in need of an Assistant Scorer so that the BBYRA is not solely dependent on Jack. Website and media communications will continue to be developed in order to expand our outreach.
- ✓ Survey: The recent survey that was sent to all fleets gave Officers a great deal of information about our clients on the Bay.

- ✓ Currently entry fees are not covering the cost of flags and trophies. Fees for the various classes are dependent on the number of trophies needed for that class. PC Reardon asked if the Sailing Foundation will again fund fees for the juniors. VC Terhune stated that he would like to have the Sailing Foundation pay for all juniors. That would likely run between \$1400 and \$1500 per season.

Rear Commodore Russ Lucas:

- ✓ RC Lucas thanked PC Kingman and VC Allan Terhune for the recent survey completed by the sailors. Good information was obtained.
- ✓ Our website is evolving into a modern website with opportunities for making connections with the fleets, keeping in touch with former sailors, and compiling stories about our sailors on the Bay.
- ✓ Equipment with the assistance of Scott Yates is in good order.
- ✓ RC Lucas spoke about the financial need for between \$50,000 and \$75,000 per year to maintain the ribs and the FJ's used by the High School Sailing team. All boats need to be kept safe and in good condition. He suggested reaching out to lifelong sailors on the Bay for endowments. He is in favor of a capital fund raising effort and a partnership with the Sailing Foundation.

PC Ed Vienckowski noted that we are fully stocked with needed marks and extra marks for both the Green and Rose courses. Stan Switlik donated 11 - 13 marks in total, including heavy duty balls and spheres. Commodore Masur will send a letter of appreciation.

Fleet Captain Scott Yates (Not present):

- ✓ All equipment is stored in the trailer and is in good condition.
- ✓ Toms River Fire Department will be back with us next summer in the safety boat.
- ✓ The pre-season seminar this year will be run in conjunction with the Callahan Fund and will be formatted as a senior sailing clinic. The seminar will be held on the final Friday in July.
- ✓ VC Terhune also noted that TRYC will run a Race Management seminar (Advanced Course), but it will coincide with the Spring BBYRA meeting. He reminded everyone to keep certifications current, including the Safe Sport certification.

Measurer

- ✓ Peet Must has resigned. No replacement has yet to be named. A new Measurer will be named when the Past Commodores meet as the Nominating Committee after Labor Day.

Appeals - Jan O'Malley

No issues. No report.

Protests - Tom Sollas

- ✓ Had some scoring inquiries that were dealt with swiftly.
- ✓ There were a couple of redress issues - voice recordings are necessary and were very helpful.
- ✓ All in all, it was a quiet season.

- ✓ Tom needs additional help to hear protests, especially down bay. A bigger pool of committee members would make for more efficient scheduling of protest hearings. Tom asked for Regatta Committee members to go back to their clubs and recruit more volunteers.
- ✓ Jim Walsh would arrange a judge's seminar if needed.

Scoring - PC Heacock reported the following:

- ✓ Jack needs check-in sheets and race scores to be sent to him efficiently.
- ✓ Recordings should be taken of finishes.
- ✓ All written paperwork, not just photos, should be submitted to Jack after the morning and afternoon sessions.
- ✓ Numbers of boats checking in, starting, and finishing should agree.

Class Eligibility -

- ✓ About 12 Lasers are expected this summer. 4.7's from TRYC will comprise a large portion of the fleet.

Comments:

- ✓ VC Terhune encouraged members to go back to their clubs regarding BBYRA Officer presentations. Such presentations would give the Officers the opportunity to explain the role of the BBYRA and to encourage more sailors from member clubs to sail in the Saturday series.

YRA Rep to US Sailing

PC Harry Foote reported the following:

- ✓ The Leadership Forum was held in San Diego, but Harry was not able to attend.
- ✓ Jim Walsh did attend both the Leadership Forum and the RSA meetings. Member clubs are encouraged to get people involved in championship series sponsored by US Sailing. The RSA needs more volunteers.
- ✓ Russ Lucas added that BHYC could be a good host for a US Sailing Regional Symposium. Russ is on the Board of US Sailing and stated that the BBYRA has an excellent reputation. Russ, Jim Walsh and Sue Proko will talk about ways to bring US Sailing to our area.

Sailing Instructions -

VC Terhune reported that the NOR and Sailing Instructions are not yet finalized. There are several items that need to be corrected and clarified. Allan stated that from today's discussion he would work with Tom Sollas to condense the NOR and he would be sure that everything was addressed prior to the Delegates Meeting in March. A very detailed and lengthy discussion of the current document ensued and included the following items:

- ✓ NOR - 6.2 Rose Course Schedule times are incorrect.
- ✓ 5.21 and 5.2.3 are in conflict: 5.2.1 is not true on BYC Day. Needs to be changed. Conflict with Cedar Creek Course in 5.2.3.
- ✓ 5.1.2 - Green Course vs. SPYC course (Delete)
- ✓ Lengthy discussion followed on the use of the word "started" vs. "sailed." Also, language needs to be clarified for "sailed" vs. "scheduled." What happens if a

race is started but abandoned - race should count? Discussed wording when races are cancelled.

- ✓ In "equipment required," remove anchor for E Sloops and M Sloops. E Sloops do not need a pump or bailer. MC Scow already does not require an anchor. Ed Vienckowski asked about consistency with class rules.
- ✓ PC Kingman asked about the Regulations - she requested an update and cross reference. Mark Masur commented that anything in common in the two documents was eliminated. Allan will check.
- ✓ Allan stated that changes in the SI are important to provide for better courses and to meet the needs of the sailors.
- ✓ There should be consistent language between the NOR and the SI.
- ✓ The short leeward no longer exists - it is now called the "short mark" or "S" mark.
- ✓ Sailors need to be clear that the first letter designating the course signals the first mark that you should go to.
- ✓ With regard to the Rose Course, Ed Vienckowski suggested that there should be two different documents, one for the Rose Course and one for the Green Course.
- ✓ Tom Sollas will delete the E Scows on the SI and/or Regulations.
- ✓ Ned and Allan will work on the SI for the E Scow fleet.
- ✓ The use of a vertical offset was discussed.
- ✓ There will be 3 non-BBYRA races for the A Cat fleet at NBYC Bay Day. Times need to be worked out on the schedule.
- ✓ Lasers currently have only one up bay race - Add LYC.
- ✓ Schedule for Sanderlings needs to be checked.
- ✓ On the Consolidated Schedule, Sunfish fleet is missing the first race at BYC.
- ✓ Flying Scot wind speed needs to be reduced from 24 to 22 MPH.
- ✓ Inspections were discussed.
- ✓ Allan stated that anyone with concerns or more edits should e-mail him. He hopes to have both the NOR and SI completed in a few days.

Old Business

- ✓ Nancy VandeVaerst from SAYC asked for clarification of the \$1500 charge to member clubs for the rib crafts. Mark Masur stated that the \$1500 generally covers consistent yearly preventative maintenance of the rib crafts.

Announcements

- ✓ The annual "Sail-A-Bration" will be held at Mantoloking Yacht Club on June 13, 2020.
- ✓ Clubs were reminded to send contact sheets with updates to Jenny Buck as soon as they are available.

Adjournment - With no other business to come before the Regatta Committee, Ned Thomson moved to adjourn, seconded by Nancy Seggel. The meeting was adjourned at 12:24 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
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