

Hobie Division 16 Fall Meeting November 10, 2010 Minutes

Meeting called to order at 2:10 p.m.

In attendance: Mark Gibson, Marie Gibson, Mark Amico, Herb James, Rob Jerry, Sean (Jackson) Smith, Neil McNeil, Sue Bennett, Theresa (Fluffy) White

Division Financial Report

Bad news: The Division is still losing a reasonably small amount of money each year. *Good news:* We still have money to lose. The possibility of raising the boat tax by \$1.00 was discussed. The feeling was that we shouldn't worry about it for the time being. If regatta attendance increases again this year, the problem will likely work itself out.

Division Racing Equipment Report

We lost our large yellow tetrahedron mark in Buffalo, along with the tackle. Fleet 119 promptly donated one of their yellow cylinder marks, so we still have a change mark, but we have one fewer anchor than last year.

Reports from Members

It's worth noting that ALL Division 16 regattas showed an increase in attendance last year. Schedule setting is somewhat difficult, given that we are trying to coordinate with the F-18 class. We set the following dates for the 2011 summer schedule:

- **Fleet 204 (Syracuse)** – Madcatter, May 20-22
- **Fleet 183 (Toronto)** – Flying High, June 4-5
- **Canandaigua Yacht Club (Canandaigua)**– CMOR, Sept 17-18. Boat boys (and girls!) will be back!

The dates for the following events are under consideration:

- **Fleet 119 (Buffalo)** – July 9/10 or July 23/24
- **Fleet 295 (Rochester)** – July 30/31 or August 6/7. Would like F-18s, but if it becomes necessary, would step up for the NE Championships.

The following events were discussed, but no firm decision was made:

- **Kingston** – The management at Kingston would like to host a regatta for this season. However, we have not been able to reconcile the budget from the NACs that was held there last year primarily because the management has not released the numbers. We decided not to have a regatta there until this can be resolved.
- **Women's Representative** – A written request was submitted to inquire about a similar regatta to last year's event. Consensus was reached that rather than a similar regatta at last year's venue, other things might benefit women's racing. Recognition of female skippers at each event, for example, could be an important part of encouraging women to take the helm. The difficulty of finding a home for the

Women's NAC was brought up – given that merging the event with the H14s, H17s, H18s, and Waves would mean that some children (and their teachers!) weren't yet out of school. Canandaigua Yacht Club indicated an interest in putting in a bid for the Women's NAC.

- **Youth Representative** – A training day was suggested, in which women skippers would be welcome to participate, for July 1 or 2. It would be low key, with plenty of “on the water” drills. Also, the idea of trying to get Wildwood to host the Youth nationals was discussed. We also thought that Division 11's idea of starting a Facebook page was a good one, so Trey James will look into that.

Old Business

- Please contribute content to the website!! It's only as good as we make it.

New Business

- AGM written report was provided.
- **F-18 Boat Tax** – When F-18s sail in some co-sponsored events, they are taxed by both Hobie (\$2) and F-18 (\$5) organizations. We decided that this is fair and appropriate, and that the regatta chairs need to decide how to handle it – possibly by charging F-18s a little more to participate.

- **Proposed Bylaw Revisions**

The following bylaw revisions were proposed by the scorekeeper.

- Section 12.5. Proposed revision entails elimination of the fleet requirement.
- Section 12.6 has been proposed for elimination. If people are not amenable to eliminating the entire section, then at least sections 12.6.3 and 12.6.4.
- The 1.5 modifier for either Division Championship and/or NE Champs should be eliminated. The number of boats are already included in the national scoring.

The people assembled felt that these changes should be tabled until the scorekeeper was present.

- **Booklet and Postcard** – Postcards represent a large part of our budget. If we got email addresses at registration next year, we could potentially reduce that cost. Meanwhile, we still need someone to step up and assemble the on-line version of the booklet for next year.
- **Nominations of Officers** –
 - Scoring for next year – Still Billy Jeffers!
 - Website for next year – Our webmaster, Brian Allston, has indicated that after many years of service, he would like to step

down from the post. We would like to work with him to figure out a smooth transition.

- New Chair Nominations – Rico Quatrone, from Fleet 204 has put forward his name to replace Fluffy as Chair. Though there are no other nominees, he will be officially elected at the Spring meeting. The new Chair will run the next fall meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Division 16 – Financial Report 1/1/2010 through 12/31/2010

BALANCE 12/31/2009 **3,817.38**

Date	Description	Memo/Category	Amount
4/ 6/2010	1013 Le Moyne College	postage Postage	-52.25
4/13/2010	1014 Theresa White	postcards/Office Supplies	-156.94
4/14/2010	1015 Le Moyne College	postage Postage	-35.57
4/29/2010	1016 Theresa White	flags race supplies	-159.55
5/19/2010	1017 Pompey Center Farm	fleeces-\$68 due in race supplies	-166.40
5/26/2010	DEP Madcatter & Dan Borg	\$68 for Nick Fleece, 124 Madcatter Div Income	192.00
6/11/2010	1018 Adam Atherton	course card materials race supplies	-49.72
7/28/2010	DEP Toronto	Div Income	42.00
8/9/2010	DEP rochester	Income Div Income	82.00
9/9/2010	DEP Buffalo	Income Div Income	66.00
1/1/2010 - 12/31/2010			-238.43
BALANCE 12/31/2010			3,578.95

Division 16 Asset List

Flags without Handles

A Flag, C Flag, M Flag, S Flag, Y Flag
 Kit, containing alphabet, 1-10, 1st, 2nd, 3rd - Missing A, C, H, I, M, N, P, S, PT

Flags with Handles:

General Recall, Abandon Race, Orange, Red, Green, P-Flag, Individual Recall,
 Blue flag, Abandon and H Flag, Yellow, H Flag, I Flag, Yellow HCA Flag
 Postpone (AP)

Lightening detector

Marks

Orange Mark large Tetrahedron
 Orange Mark large Tetrahedron in poor repair
 Orange Mark Tetrahedron with black band painted
 Orange Mark Tetrahedron
 Orange Mark Tetrahedron
 Orange Mark Tetrahedron
 Yellow Mark Round, replacement from Buffalo

Course Cards

0,1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, G, W

Tackle

5 Fluke Anchors & Chain
 Small White Anchor
 Box of Line