

Minutes

Of the Annual General Meeting (the “Meeting”)

Of the Members of M242 Fleet One Association (the “Association”)

Held at 7:05 p.m. on February 24, 2025
At the Royal Vancouver Yacht Club
3811 Point Grey Road, Vancouver, British Columbia
And via ZOOM

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:05 P.M.

Anthony Collett, Fleet Captain of the Association and acting as Chairperson of the Meeting, welcomed the members to the Meeting and called the Meeting to order. With the consent of the Meeting, he appointed Judith Roos-McClacherty as Secretary of the Meeting.

2. NOTICE OF MEETING

The Chairperson confirmed that on January 28, 2025, the Association caused to be emailed (e-blast) to all members of record of the Association as of that date the following:

Notice of Annual General Meeting (the “Notice”).

The Chairperson confirmed that the Minutes of the 2024 AGM were posted on the M242 website as part of our Notice.

3. DECLARATION OF QUORUM

The Chairperson advised the Meeting that (i) a quorum was present (20% of members and never less than five) and (ii) as the notice had been given in the proper manner, the Meeting was regularly and duly called and constituted for the transaction of business.

4. MINUTES FROM THE 2024 AGM

MOVED by Anthony Collett and seconded by Craig Strand that the Minutes from the 2024 AGM be accepted and approved. **CARRIED**

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no business arising from the previous Minutes.

6. REPORTS FROM DIRECTORS

The following reports were provided to the Meeting:

- * Fleet Captain’s Report – Anthony Collett
- * Fleet Historian’s Report – Michael Clements
 - Buy and Sell Report
 - Mast Project Update

- * Fleet Measurer's Committee Report – Matt Sullivan
- * IMCA Technical Committee Report – Anthony Collett
- * Communications Report – Reto Corfu
- * Website Technical Report – Craig Strand
- * Scoring Director's Report – Olga Kuznetsova
- * Keeper of Trophies Report – Anthony Collett
- * Treasurer's Report – Judith Roos-McClacherty
- * Director at Large – Peter Grimm
- * Director at Large Kootenay's Report - Anne Armstrong
- * Director at Large – Adrienne Mennell

Fleet Captain's Report – Anthony Collett

Anthony presented the following report:

“2024 was another successful year with excellent turnout and very competitive racing on Wednesday Nights, and some really fun out of bay events such as the ever-popular Round Bowen and Cow Bay regattas. A number of accomplishments made by the Fleet Executive last year were:

- In April, we held an excellent Rules Training session at KYC presented by David Pyron, International Sailing Umpire.
- In June, we held a pizza night that was informal, good fun, and helped bring in a few new members.
- Launched the Fleet 1 WhatsApp thanks to Erica Crilly's initiative and it has turned into an excellent tool for promoting events, providing short notice updates, regatta details, etc.. It is also another tool to incentivize crew to join the fleet as paid members.
- Encouraged crew to join as members and have skippers require that their crew be M242 Fleet members. This helped keep our membership high at 72 members, though down a little from 80 in 2023.
- We increased the quality and scope of the e-blasts, thanks to the big efforts by Adrienne Mennell with support from Michael Clements. In recent months the e-blasts are showcasing more activities in Fleets 2 and 3. This really helps make the larger West Coast Fleet operate and feel as one.
- Had the most consistently high turnout on WNR that I have seen, with typically 15 or more, and up to 19 boats on several Wednesdays, and really competitive racing. Super fun and we want to keep this going.
- Adrienne completed the historic Newsletter Scanning Project, which she'll discuss later. A huge task and we're grateful for her efforts.

I'd like to thank all of you on the executive for your efforts throughout the year. It really does take a team to keep our Fleet vibrant and your contributions are critical to our success. Special thanks to Michael for his huge efforts on the mast project on top of all the many other roles he manages, and Adrienne for driving the marketing, Erica for the WhatsApp and stepping in to rescue our trophy management last fall.

Fleet Historian, Buy-Sell, and Mast/Boom/Spin-Pole Project Report – Michael Clements

Michael presented the following report.

“Preamble:

Our Fleet Management & Marketing processes are widely recognized in the Region as being first-class, and as such we enjoy a competitive advantage relative to other One Design Classes which are a fraction of our size with correspondingly small financial resources. As I've been

saying for the last 15 years or so, “It’s ours to lose”, so we need to collectively keep an unrelenting focus on:

- Marketing the Class (website, e-blast, Facebook, New Crew Night, Executive Committees, General Managers, and Sailing Directors at various Clubs, regularly-updates Posters at various Clubs)
- Getting the few remaining unused or underutilized boats activated or sold
- Helping new owners get up to speed including assistance with getting crew
- Maximizing boat and personal memberships in Fleets 1 & 2
- Getting the Mast & Boom Project well underway
- Maintaining top social events throughout the year, and
- Continuing to have a Regional as opposed to a Local focus

I will be pleased to act as Fleet Historian for 2025 if elected as such, as well as being one of the ongoing IMCA Technical Committee representatives and the Buy/Sell Coordinator. I’m also an Assistant Measurer.

Buy/Sell Report:

There are about 90 boats in total in Alberta, BC, WA, and Oregon.

Major boat clusters are in Sylvan Lake (AB), Vancouver, Nanaimo, Victoria, Nelson, Orcas Island and Portland (Oregon). There are another ~25 boats in the Los Angeles area (Marina del Rey and King Harbor) and more scattered around North America. The long-term goal is to get all the “orphan boats” around North America consolidated on the West Coast: this project is already underway, as 3 were imported in the past 2 years to BC and Washington State.

78 boats have changed hands in the Pacific Northwest Region over the past 8 years:

- * 12 boats changed hands in 2024 (+2 transactions in Los Angeles)
- * 7 boats changed hands in 2023 (+2 transactions in Los Angeles and Toronto)
- * 12 boats changed hands in 2022 (including 1 imported from Iowa to Orcas Island and 1 Alberta transaction)
- * 9 boats changed hands in 2021
- * 11 boats changed hands in 2020
- * 11 boats changed hands in 2019
- * 9 boats changed hands in 2018, 2 retained ownership, and 1 moved to BC from Ontario
- * 7 boats changed hands in 2017

The Buy-Sell page on the Fleet One website gets a lot of traction, with owners from all over North America contacting us to list their boats. At present there are 10 boats officially and unofficially for sale in the Region, with several deals underway at present.

Washington State is the major growth area for the Class, but Vancouver Island is also doing well with a couple of new owners in 2024, as is Nelson with 1 new owner. Sylvan Lake had been in decline.

Historian Report:

The Historical Results Spreadsheet has been updated for all the 2024 results and can be found on the website at the bottom of the “Racing & Results” section on the right side of the main page. The following additional three lists are also up-to-date with the assistance of Matt Collingwood, namely:

- * The Pacific Northwest Boat Registry
- * The International Boat Registry
- * The Fleet 1 Calendar Boat List for Fleets 1 & 2

Mast/Boom/Spin-pole Project Report:

*The Extrusion Die was ordered and finished in December, 2024.

*The two 12" samples were reviewed by the Technical Committee in January 2025 and everyone was pleased with the quality.

*It was agreed that Michael would place an order for 210' of test tubing which would be shipped to Stewart Jones at Pro-Tech in North Vancouver.

*This was done on February 7th and the money paid to Apex.

*Stewart will then be commissioned to build two complete test masts. He is getting geared up and is talking to Buzz Ballenger in California re parts.

*We have 3 parties lined up who are willing to test the masts: Anthony, Reto, Dave Higgs.

*We have expressions of interest re buying the two test masts (and possible a 3rd) at a reduced price from Reto & Anthony & Dave. Not binding, just interested.

*We will need to launch a money-raising campaign soon for the next stages at the end of summer.

Report submitted by Michael Clements: Fleet Historian, Buy-Sell Page Coordinator, and Mast/Boom Project Coordinator."

Fleet Measurer's Report – Matt Sullivan

Matt presented the following Report:

"Fleet Measuring

Limited boat measuring was conducted in 2024. Two boats were measured, Badfish and Brenda's boat. 3 – 4 boats are in the measuring process. A few need to be weighed. This year, with the NAs in Vancouver, more boats will likely get measured. It would be useful to up-date the Measurement Template, to indicate that short, fat keels (as delivered by the Builder) will now be grandfathered."

IMCA Technical Committee Report – Anthony Collett:

Anthony presented the following report:

"2024 was a busy year for the IMCA Tech Committee. The following is a summary of the activities conducted, and I'd like to acknowledge that much of this was driven by Michael. Key activities included:

*Numerous meetings regarding the mast project, which Michael has summarized.

*Decided to not pursue and trial the two-sided backstay system.

*Determined a recommended maximum shroud tension to avoid the trend in other classes to super tighten shrouds, which might seriously damage M242s.

*Reviewed the 2020 decision around using a 2:1 halyard system and confirmed that the decision stands that the 2:1 halyard system is not class legal.

*New contour gauges were manufactured by Tim Murphy using a 3D printer to account for the curvature of the leading edge when measuring keel radius.

*Rules review and updates. Just this month, updates to the Class Rules were launched and take effect March 15. They are on our website now and the highlights are:

- The Tolerance for the Plinth Measurement was made a bit larger and clarifications added on how to take this measurement.

- Crew weight process clarified for major regattas so that there is stricter control for crews close to the weight limit but allows crews to have fun at the social events during the regatta without worrying about gaining a pound or two and exceeding the weight limit.

- For Fleets 1, 2 and 4: keels that are short from top to bottom and/or front to back are grandfathered. These "short, fat keels" are not performance-enhancing, are a lot of work and expense to repair or replace, and we want these boats out racing. Also, if rudders as supplied by the Builder don't meet specs they can be grandfathered on a case by case basis via an appeal to a Fleet Measurer.

Report submitted by Anthony Collett, IMCA Tech Committee Member”

Communications Report – Reto Corfu

Reto reported that he had not much to report. He has been publishing an article periodically on boat maintenance and race strategies. His plan is to keep the bios of new boat owners up to date. He is always looking for new topic ideas and he is thinking of perhaps publishing some older resource materials that might be useful, especially to new boat owners.

Website Technical Report – Craig Strand/Johnty Wang:

Craig and Johnty presented the following Report:

“Our current site runs on a dated version of the Joomla Content Management System, which we’ve been struggling to do an automated update as the version is too old. Existing version is 3.x, latest version is 5.x. Attempts have been made to update the Joomla version but the attempts crash. Unfortunately, the transition from a version 3 to either version 4 or 5 is a major upgrade which is unlike the upgrades within major versions. I have tried to get help in the Joomla upgrade forum but did not get any helpful response. The version 3 is no longer supported so Johnty’s recommendation to go to an alternate CMS is likely the best option. Historical information on our existing site has been saved in various databases but is not immediately accessible except through the existing Joomla site.

The site is however fully functional (but unsupported), and the plan is to keep it going until we develop an alternative using a newer CMS (either recent versions of Joomla, or potentially WordPress).

This new site can be sandboxed on our existing webhost, and we can do a switch-a-roo once we have implemented enough of the existing site contents.

Because most of our dynamic content (calendars, buy/sell pages, info/resource pages) are managed as publicly linked Google Drive/Doc content, we don’t need to migrate this data so most of the work will be recreating the layout. Only the news/blog post articles would require manual migration. We could also potentially leave the previous site up as a legacy/archive as well, as the old content likely would exist in internet archive databases and would be nice if they can still be found.

Additional help from people with experience using these CMSs to help us implement this plan (or suggest an even smoother migration process) would be most welcome.

Hosting-wise, we are with Namecheap for the web host, and email/exec list is managed by Google Workspaces.

Recently we were able to “upgrade” our Google Workspace to a Google Nonprofit account which allows more email accounts (up to 2000), and 100TB of shared Drive Storage which if I understand correctly allow us to move away from the paid Dropbox subscription. (I’m not sure what the state of the file migration is on this front in terms of moving files over from Dropbox to Drive...)

Best Regards,

Johnty Wang and Craig Strand”

Scoring Director’s Report – Olga Kuznetsova

Olga presented the following report:

“The 2024 scoring season was very straightforward. The 2024 event calendar was very well set, and it provided clear parameters for scoring needs. There were no scoring questions/clarifications requests from the Fleet members and skippers.

Racing Events by Popularity – Fleet 1:

Out-of-Bay Most Attended Event: Round Bowen June 8, 2024 had a participation of 14 boats from Fleet 1 (remained the most attended for both 2023 and 2024).

Out-of-Bay Least Attended Event: Gibsons Regatta, July 20-21, 2024 had a participation of 4 boats from Fleet 1.

In-Bay Series: Each event in In-Bay had 7-8 Fleet 1 boats participating.

Wednesday Evenings were the most popular series with a total of 20 Fleet One boats participating during the 2024 racing season (vs 21 boats in the 2023 season)..

Wednesday with the biggest participation: May 1 with 18 boats

Wednesday with the least participation: July 3 with 13 boats.”

Keeper of the Trophies Director’s Report – Anthony Collett

Anthony presented the following report:

“With Allan and Clare Strain retiring from the Keeper of Trophies roles in 2024, we relied heavily on Erica Crilly to take this on and bring it all together, with the help of Luzzara and Adrienne.

*There is a flurry of work between the end of the racing season and the Fleet Captain’s Dinner and it went fairly smoothly, with the usual hiccups getting the numerous and varied plaques for the different trophies, which inevitably have a few mistakes.

*The budget was \$750, and we spent about \$950. Some of the overrun was for fleet badges that can be sewn onto various gifts, and we have good stock of these now for future use.

*We now have a spreadsheet with all the details for the different trophies and hope this helps streamline the process going forward.

*Matt Alexander worked very hard and essentially for free to make the keeper trophies, which were excellent duffle bags made from a M242 jib.

*Note that the Big M trophy, that was burned during the terrible California Yacht Club fire in December 2023, was restored by Ken Holland and Ken Machtley.

Report submitted by Anthony Collett, Interim Keeper of Trophies.”

Treasurer’s Report – Judith Roos-McClacherty

Judith presented the following report:

“I would like to direct your attention to the document entitled “Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Year ending December 31, 2024”.

Please look at the column entitled 2024 Actual. Our Fleet One membership was 79 members this year (down 1 from 2023). Our Fleet One boat numbers were 30 registered, down 3 from 33 in 2023.

Our total revenue for 2023 was \$9844.17. Our total expenses were \$9973.73, thus creating a deficit of (\$129.56). The deficit would have been more but Fleet Two is contributing to expenses relating to the running of the Association. Fleet Two is contributing 50% of the Shared Fleets Operating Expenses and \$250 toward the production of the IMCA e-blasts. Fleet Three is also contributing \$250 toward the yearly IMCA e-blast productions.

The Mast Project Account as of December 31, 2024 was \$1310.63.

The Fleet One Bank Balance as of December 31, 2024 was \$1942.14. The Fleet Two funds held In Trust by Fleet One was \$710.42.

Michael, Anthony and Matt worked on the 2024 Balance Sheet for Fleets One and Two.”

Director at Large – Anne Armstrong, Kootenay area

Anne sent in the following report:

“The coming 2025 sailing season in the Nelson area is shaping up to be an active one. The Martin 242 fleet has expanded by 50% from 2 to 3 participating boats! In addition, there will be one or two more purchases possibly happening in the spring.

1. “Steel Breeze”, after winning the B division of the 2025 Gray Creek regatta, has recently been sold to a group of four very keen locals.

2. “Coal Dust” spent some time ashore for a mast step repair but will continue to be owned by the Armstrongs.
 3. “EmmaJean” (Chris Chart) is rapidly becoming a force to content with.
 4. “Scrimshander”, now for sale in the Gray Creek area, is being checked out by a couple of local sailors, who wish to get into racing Martin 242s.
 5. Plans are underway to bring “Hot Flash” from Sylvan Lake into the fleet in May.
- The KLSA (Kootenay Lake Sailing Association) PHRF fleet is continuing to grow as well, with a Laser 28 joining the group of active sailors.”

Director at Large – Adrienne Mennell

Anthony read Adrienne’s report:

“M242 Royal Vancouver Yacht Club Sailing Committee AGM Report:

On January 27, Adrienne Mennell, Michael Clements and Reto Corfu represented the M242 Fleet at the RVYC Sailing Committee meeting. There were some important topics discussed that were material to our fleet and it was important we had a good show of representation from our side. The following was discussed and agreed on for the M242 Fleet:

1) Wednesday Night Races:

- *3-minute rolling starts

- *For the first start – each week the M242s and Elliots will alternate starts.

- a. We will try this for a series and see if it makes sense.

- *No Black flag on M242 – first start

2) RVYC new Pricing:

- * This is for a number of reasons:

- * no price increases for many years

- * Huge deficit in running races – lack of recent dues increase has put pressure on the Club and all members to bring in more revenue.

- *Note: Michael Shepard commented about possibly granting a reprieve of some degree to a 242 owner that claimed financial hardship.

3) The M242 Fleet will put out a **survey to the Fleet on whether people want to race in the May One Design Weekend – have a short and long course to mix it up.**

4) **The M242 Fleet – Will attend the RVYC Fleet Championship weekend.**

5) **The Long M242 Table is to be moved to along the front of the concrete patio and if we need more space we can extend east on the grass.**

6) **In November 2024 we presented the M242 Fact Sheet** to the Sailing Committee that was well received by the other Fleet Captains and the RVYC Fleet Captain and the RVYC Sailing Director welcomed the added information, commenting that it was informative and addressed some misconceptions about our fleet.

7) **November Meeting with Jeff Merrin, RVYC General Manager** – Michael Clements and I met with Mr. Merrin who welcomed the M242 Fact Sheet information and the news of us holding the M242 North Americans at Royal Van and Kits yacht clubs.

a) 2025 M242 North Americans

- i) He suggested we send marketing material 8 weeks in advance of the M242 North American Regatta to incorporate into the RVYC communication cycle.

- ii) He also suggested that we use the club drone for our M242 North American races and for us to talk to Aubrey the sailing director. *Note: The drone needs to be flown by one of our people and it may be Josue that we hire for this.*

- iii) He suggested that if we want big money sponsors that we qualify by having women’s teams and have and welcome younger racers.

b) Topics Separate to the NAs

i) The RVYC GM said to us that he will **place a profile article on the 242 Class in our monthly publication**, so Michael and I are working on that text: it may just be the Fact Sheet for simplicity.

ii) **Wednesday Night Races – Food and Beverage** – They are looking to make liquor and food ordering/delivery more efficient. This may incorporate a stand up bar where racers go up and order their own beer and wine drinks rather than waiting for service.

8) **November Meeting with Aubrey Mayer, RVYC Sailing Director to discuss the M242 Fleet** – Michael Clements and I met with Mr. Mayer who found the M242 Fact Sheet very informative.

a) He confirmed the drone is available for us to use in the days of our M242 North Americans.

b) He suggested including Don Martin in the PRO committee in some capacity. He said Don Martin has been very helpful to him in regattas. We reached out to Don Martin who has not yet responded.

9) **Wednesday Night Table and Beer Nights have been a huge success.**

10) **2024 Crew Night at RVYC was well attended.**

MOVED by Anthony Collett and seconded by Erica Crilly that the Directors' Reports be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

7. ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2025

In accordance with the Class Rules, Anthony Collett comprised the Nominating Committee.

We had the following nominations:

- Johnty Wang for IT Tech Chair with support from Andrew Naiberg
- Oliver Blake for Keeper of Trophies with support from Michael Mkwelele
- Erica Crilly for Social Director

The Chairperson declared that, “there having been no other nominations received in accordance with the constitution, and, with the proposed slate of directors being fully subscribed with no contests, I hereby declare that the incoming executive members are elected by acclamation.” The following persons were nominated for election as directors of the Association:

* Fleet Captain – Reto Corfu

* Vice Fleet Captain – Open

* Past Fleet Captain – Anthony Collett

* Secretary/Treasurer – Judith Roos-McClacherty

* Tech Chair/Measurer – Matt Sullivan

* Communications & Webmaster – Johnty Wang with Craig Strand and Reto Corfu to support

* Keeper of Trophies – Oliver Blake, plus Michael Mkwelele to support

* Scoring Director – Olga Kuznetsova

* Interport Chair – Mike Cannon (Fleet 2 Captain)

* Website Tech Support – Johnty Wang, plus Andrew Naiberg to support

* Directors at Large – Anne Armstrong (representing the Kootenay Lake Region)

Peter Grimm

Adrienne Mennell

* Historian/Buy and Sell – Michael Clements

* Social Director – Erica Crilly

* Marketing Director – Adrienne Mennell

MOVED by Anthony Collett and seconded by Paul Piaseczny that the Slate as proposed be accepted. **CARRIED**

8. *RETO CORFU, 2025 FLEET CAPTAIN, CONTINUED THE MEETING*

Thank you to everyone for continuing to contribute to the Fleet in your volunteer roles. It is a grand honour to be Fleet Captain for 2025.

Thank you, Johnty, for stepping up as Website Tech Support. I'm excited to have you in this role and to keep our critical website functioning.

Also, thank you to Adrienne Menell for taking on the Vancouver NAs coordination. We are looking forward to another great event!

The Fleet is in great shape with lots of active racing and we want to keep it that way. Record number of boats regularly turning out on WNR. We have a number of roles to fill and are keen to have more enthusiastic members assist. There is lots to do!

As Fleet Captain, the focus is:

- *continuing the great work underway to maximize attendance at key regattas and make them the best events we can. That means marketing the NAs to make it a great success, supporting the New Crew Nights, and continuing our successful beer nights.

- *bringing in more members and more active boat owners to the fleet.

- *Continuing to use the online calendar tool

- *Making the events as social and fun as possible

- *Encouraging more female participation in boat ownership and crewing.

- *Growing our paid membership, by encouraging crew to become Fleet One members:

- * We need funds for our marketing and major projects like the mast project.

- * Consider telling crew that if you race with me you need to join the Fleet.

- * “if you race on a Martin 242, we expect you to join the Class as it is only \$40 per year and helps fund all the initiatives that support the Class and keep it great, low cost, and the most active Class (see Value Proposition doc to see all the benefits.)”

9. *PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2025*

Reto presented the 2025 Proposed Budget. It was presented as a Balanced Budget. Most of our revenue is from membership fees and boat registrations. A new expense for this year is the purchase of Rig Tension Stickers. Hopefully the NAs to be held in Vancouver will be revenue neutral.

Discussion. It was suggested that we increase the Expense item re the Rig Tension Stickers to \$280.00 and buy 200 Sail Certification Marks which will cost in the range of \$500.

MOVED by Reto Corfu and seconded by Anthony Collett that the 2025 Proposed Budget be accepted as amended with the addition of the following Expense items, namely \$280.00 for Rig Tension Stickers and \$500.00 for 200 Sail Certification Marks. **CARRIED**

10. *PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR 2025*

Reto reported that he had sent out a Poll about the proposed calendar and six members responded. They were all comfortable with the proposed calendar and the number of events. The RVYC Sailing Committee weren't upset that we only do one day of most two-day weekend events, but they would like the Fleet to race two days at the May One Design and the September Fleet Championships.

We plan to continue the online calendar, which we hope encourages greater participation at a smaller selection of events. It functions as an attendance poll for boat owners, and that way everyone has a good idea who is attending which events, well in advance. We need to keep the Calendar up-dated and we need to build momentum on events.

The calendar has been split into primary and secondary events, with a breakdown similar to last year with one, on occasion two, Primary Events each month.

*Fleet Championships – Best 4 out of 6 Primary Events (Kits Invite, NAs, RVYC Fleet Champs, Round Bowen, Gibsons, Lawrance Cup) plus WNR series total score at 50% weighting (mandatory inclusion)

*In-Bay Series – Best 2 out of 3: Kits Invitational, North Americans, RVYC Fleet Championships

*Out-Of-Bay Series – Best 2 out of 3: Round Bowen, Gibsons Regatta, Lawrance Cup

Discussion. It was agreed that the RVYC May One Design Weekend would be one day only and would not be a counter in the In-Bay Series. The July One Design Regatta would be deleted and the August One Design Regatta would be a one day event and not a counter in the In-Bay Series.

MOVED by Anthony Collett and seconded by Michael Clements that we accept the M242 Pacific NW Fleets' Fleet One 2025 Calendar as amended to state that the RVYC May One Design Regatta is one day only and not a counter, that the RVYC July One Design Regatta is deleted and that the RVYC August One Design Regatta is a one day event and not a counter.
CARRIED

11. NEW BUSINESS

Mast Project Up date – Michael Clements:

Michael gave his report earlier in the Meeting.

New Crew Night coming up:

- We need lots of volunteers.
- There will be no boat tours this year.
- Part of the evening will be devoted to “Speed Dating” where skippers meet potential crew.

Rules Training Session with David Pyron, Sailing Umpire– Anthony Collett:

- Anthony said he had been in contact with David Pyron and he got a positive response but no definite plans made yet. Anthony said David could use the information that he already has for a New Rules Night, maybe in April.

RVYC WNR Fee Increase – Michael Clements:

- There are new fees for those participating in the RVYC WNR. The Season Series will cost \$495, an increase of \$320. Every Fleet at RVYC needs to chip in because the RVYC Sailing Budget has a deficit of \$60,000. The price is actually reasonable, if you break it down per evening, \$25 per night per boat. RVYC members and non-members will pay the same amount. Wednesday Nights are a fund raiser for RVYC with non-members supporting the Club.
- **ACTION:** We need a phone committee to inform the Fleet of the price changes for the WNR.

Fleet One WhatsApp eligibility- Erica Crilly and Anthony Collett:

- WhatsApp should only be available to paid Fleet members.
- Discussion. Erica explained the format for WhatsApp. It will be a “Virtual Crew Circle”. Everyone who joins is on WhatsApp, then there will be subgroups, for example Round Bowen Group. We would take the Crew Pool off the website. Then we would put members on WhatsApp. Matt Collingwood is concerned that we would lose lots of

information about potential crew, for example, skill level and areas on the boat where they excel.

- The idea is the crew would pay to become members and then that gets you on WhatsApp and a private Skippers' spreadsheet. We would make the Crew Pool private. Michael suggested that it could work this way: Someone signs up as a member. Then Judith tells Erica, then Erica gives the person a link to fill out a form re experience. There could be a password to access the Excel Worksheet information.
- The suggestion was made that there could be a form on the website and the form would populate the Google Worksheet. The spreadsheet would only be visible to the crew. Google Sheets have a built-in tool with a standard form.
- Summary: We are going to have a spreadsheet that summarizes potential crew resume. Then we will have a "Virtual Crew Pool" on WhatsApp. If you want to be a part of this, then you need to join the Fleet (\$40).
- **ACTION:** Reto suggested that we take this discussion further and work out the details offline.
- Craig suggested that we not use Eventbrite anymore as it is open to the public.

12. ***TERMINATION OF MEETING***

MOVED by Reto Corfu and seconded by Anthony Collett that the Meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The time was 8:56 p.m.

Reto Corfu

Judith Roos McClacherty
