

J/70 Class Association Fleet Captain Meeting Minutes

Date: 8/29/17

Start: 7:05 p.m. EDT

Adjourn: 7:20 p.m. EDT

Present:

Chris & Julie Howell X
Jeff Johnstone (Copyright Holder)
Craig Tallman (President) X
Kristen Robinson (Vice President)
Jim Murrell (Secretary)
Scott Deardorff (Treasurer)
Polk Wagner (Technical Chair)
Henry Brauer (Past President) X
Fleet 1 Chesapeake Bay – Jonathan Pollak
Fleet 2 Newport/Narragansett Bay - Chris Murray
Fleet 3 Lake Erie Central – Tim Gibbs
Fleet 4 Southern California – Jim Murrell
Fleet 5 Southern Chesapeake Bay - Matt Braun
Fleet 6 Erie - Tim Weibel
Fleet 7 Niagara - Tim Finkle
Fleet 8 Rochester - Charles Corbishley
Fleet 9 Marblehead – Doug Morgan for Daan Goedkoop
X
Fleet 10 Fort Worth Boat Club - James Mitchell X
Fleet 11 Santa Barbara - Scott Deardorff
Fleet 12 Eastern Long Island - David Becker
Fleet 13 Southern Lake Michigan – Amy Neill X
Fleet 14 Austin - Matthew Romberg
Fleet 15 Western Long Island Sound - Dan Goldberg for Ed Austin X
Fleet 16 Fishers Island Sound - Brad Gibbs X
Fleet 17 Pacific Northwest - Michael Pitt
Fleet 18 Canandaigua Finger Lakes - Anne Lambert
Fleet 19 San Francisco - Christy Usher
Fleet 20 Galveston Bay - Al Poindexter
Fleet 21 Edgartown - Harald Findlay
Fleet 22 Cedar Point – Josh Goldman X
Fleet 23 Tampa Bay - Steve Liebel
Fleet 24 Cape May NJ - Bob Herzog
Fleet 25 Harbor Springs - Polk Wagner
Fleet 26 Detroit - Jason Geisz
Fleet 27 Lake Champlain - James Unsworth
Fleet 28 Biscayne Bay – Pamela Rose X

Agenda:

1. Class Office Report
2. 2017 Worlds and NAC Update
3. Technical/Rules Report
4. Regatta Committee Report
5. Fleet Reports
6. New Business
7. Annual Meeting

Description:

Chris Howell conducted a roll call of the Officers and Fleet Captains (attendance noted above).

1. **Class Office Report** – Chris reported that the US Class has 353 members so far in 2017 (we had 408 in all of 2016). You can view 2017 members by fleet at <http://www.j70class.com/index.php/officer-and-fleets/>. Welcome Fleet 28 Biscayne Bay!
2. **2017 Worlds and NAC Update** –
World Championship at Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, Porto Cervo, Italy, September 12-16, 2017:

Chris said there are 172 boats attending. Follow the action on social media. There are many people working hard to manage the fleet split/qualifiers.

North American Championship at American Yacht Club in Rye, NY, October 9-15, 2017: 54 boats are registered...you can still sign up. The HPR and AYC Fall Series are in the preceding weekends locally. The Technical Committee will discuss whether any inspections can occur during these events.

The 2018 Midwinters are in Miami from February 23-25...look for the NOR shortly.

3. **Technical/Rules Report** – Chris said that the 2018 Rules proposals are online at <http://www.j70ica.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/09/IJ70CA-Class-Rules-2017-Master-1.pdf>. The Summer newsletter contained an explanation of the proposals, although most are clerical. Two of note are the one on the jib attachment and secondly a stricter support boat Rule. Chris clarified that the “truckers hitch” to the main halyard is already permissible. The Technical Committee is researching on a solution to prevent possible hazards to this method. Sail 22 is working on this item as well. This topic should be included in the Builders Specs soon.
4. **Regatta Committee Update** – The Regatta Committee met earlier this month to review several proposals for the 2019 North American and Corinthian National Championships. The venues selected were Edgewater Yacht Club in Cleveland, OH for the North Americans, and Rochester Yacht Club in New York for the Corinthian Nationals. Dates will be posted soon.
5. **Fleet Reports** – Tabled
6. **New Business** – N/A
7. **Annual Meeting** – Monday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. EST

Julie Howell

Action Items:

--The Technical Committee will discuss NAC inspections.

Next Meeting: AGM on Monday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m. EST