

Shields Class Association Governing Board phone conference 7-14-15:

Members in attendance:

Wendy Goodwin- Secretary Marion (fleet 10)
Com Crocker-President Larchmont (fleet 1)
Richard Robbins-Measurer Marion (fleet 10)
Eric Anderson-Monterey (fleet 12)
Chris Wick-Masons Island (fleet 19)
Jay Dayton-Oxford (fleet 21)

Garth Hobson Monterey & Nationals 2016 (fleet 12)
Betsy Yale Newport & Nationals 2015 (fleet 9)
Ed Burger Northern MA (fleet 4)
Mike Schwartz Chicago/Nominating (fleet 3)
Ron Oard-Coaster Harbor Navy YC (fleet 17)

Presidents Report: Com Crocker: Com greeted everyone & got right into the agenda for the day.

Treasurer's Report: Jay Dayton:

July 6, 2015

A few dues payments have come in but otherwise very little activity. Fleets 1, 2, 5, 10 & 19 still have not paid their class dues.

Still sorting out the filing of our Non-Profit Form 990EZ with the IRS. Hope to finalize soon.

INCOME: (Approximate Account Balance as of 06/08/2015) \$6,837.92

Deposits:

Fleets # 3 & 9 & Peterson Dues 06/19/15	+\$2,240.00	
Fleet # 12 & Frantantoro Dues		+\$ 730.00
Subtotal:		\$9,807.92

EXPENSES: Withdrawals:

Bonnier Corp (One Design Ad)	07/06/15	-\$ 150.00
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Approximate Ending Balance: \$9,657.92

Respectfully Submitted,
Jay Dayton, Class Treasurer,
Fleet #21 / Co-Owner Hull #73

It was noted we ought to check the copy in the advert for the One-Design Advert as it still notes our 50th celebration.

Jay also announced the details on version 2 of the Shields book. It is now available through Amazon. We initially had hoped to do it through the publisher (Blerb) but required a lot of personal information so Amazon will host our book. The cost is \$150 plus \$3.99 for mailing. Thanks to Bruce for all this transitioning. Here is the link:

http://www.amazon.com/Shields-One-Design-Class/dp/1320597882/ref=sr_1_sc_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1436218923&sr=8-1-spell&keywords=The+Shields+one+class+design+book

Secretary's Report: Wendy Goodwin: I've received a few updates from Jay for the fleets that have paid. I've been working more on repairs as your builder than focusing on Secretarial stuff. I need a little uninterrupted time to update the class membership to note who paid & an address changes. That should happen in the next few weeks.

Nationals 2015: There are now 6 boats registered. Betsy met with Robbie Benjamin to discuss as they budgeted the regatta on 35 boats being in attendance. She asked Com if he recalls last year when they finally had all the boats registered & when they knew how many would be in attendance. Com recalled there were a

few last minute entries & drop outs. He suggested Betsy reach out to each of the fleets. Here is what each fleet felt would be in attendance:

Fleet 1-5 boats

Fleet 3-1 or as many as 3

Fleet 10- 3 boats

Fleet 12-2 are registered & I is on the fence

Fleet 17-1 or 2

Fleet 19-2 perhaps 3

Fleet 21-2 are committed & 2 are on the fence.

Rough numbers it looks like Newport will get a solid 10 boats from away.

Betsy requested the following: Please consider a proposal to subsidize entry fees for boats traveling more than 500 miles for the Nationals in Newport, RI in September 2015. The cost to the National Association would be \$325 per boat. The estimated number of boats is five. Thank you, Betsy Yale
Fleet 9

This was discussed & passed unanimously. This passed provided it was made clear that the visiting competitors brought their boats. No compensation will be made for those who borrow a boat & bring their sails.

Nominating Committee: Mike Schwartz reports that the slate of officers for 2016 is 80% complete. They should have everything complete in the next few days.

Proposed Rule Changes:

Section VI

Rules Governing the National Championship Regatta

1.0 By-Laws Governing the National Regatta

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e. Chartered boats:

1. The Committee and the host fleet shall make one boat per active fleet available to be chartered (without fee) and entered by a qualifying skipper designated by his active Fleet. Such boats will be assigned to skippers at random by means of a drawing. The entered skipper may use only the qualifying sails with which he qualified.
2. Subject to prior review and approval of the arrangement by the Class Executive Committee, a qualified skipper may borrow, charter or co-skipper a boat other than the boat on which he qualified for the Regatta. The Application to the Executive Committee shall specify the names and qualification data of the entered boat and each designated skipper, and specify what qualifying eligible sails they propose to use. Approval by the Executive Committee may be subject to whatever conditions it deems appropriate to preserve the Corinthian spirit of the event and avoid prejudice to other competitors.
3. **The Governing Board may set guidelines for the National Championship Committee as to chartered boats. These guidelines may include the following:**
 - a. **Optional Equipment (Section IV-10.0) that is recommended,**
 - b. **Additional control line specifications (Section IV-8.0) and minimum mechanical advantages,**

- c. Waived specifications of low performance impact. Waivers may be granted by majority vote of the Technical Committee as requested by the Championship Committee and apply only to a particular chartered boat for the current year's National Regatta.

Guidelines for Chartered Boats for 2015

Recommended Optional Equipment:

- Cunningham at least 4:1
- Tiller Extension
- Windex

Additional Control Line Specifications:

- Jib track car control positions at 1" or better
- Cam cleat and turning block for jib halyard
- Contained cam cleat or jammer cleat for spinnaker halyard
- Boomvang at least 4:1 preferred 8:1
- Traveler control at least 4:1 useable from the windward side
- Backstay control at least 8:1 useable from the windward side
- Outhaul at 8:1
- Mainsheet control at least 4:1 with easily useable cam cleat block
- Spinnaker twing lines

Other:

- Clean bottom

Possible Waived Specifications:

- Toe rail of wrong material and dimensions
- Bow casting non-standard
- Anchor non-compliant

Note that these guidelines would not be part of the *Rules* but would be updated each year by the Governing Board.

The above was discussed, voted on & passed.

Section IV

Hull Specifications and Equipment Requirements

2.4 Toe Rail

The toe rail shall be in place, **be made of wood** and be ~~at least~~ **nominally** 5/8 inch in width and at ~~least~~ **nominally** 3/4 inch in height **with allowances made for maintenance and age**. Small gaps or bottom slots may be used to facilitate deck drainage.

The above was discussed & tabled.

2.5 Control Console

A console made of wood or metal may be located between the mast and the forward edge of the cockpit coaming. It may be used as a base for a compass or as a base for cleats and blocks to assist in trimming the mainsail downhaul, Cunningham, spinnaker foreguy, topping lift, boomvang, **jib sheets** or a combination of these. (See Specifications 7.3, 8.13, 8.14, 9.6, 10.4, 10.5, and Section V-5.3)

The above was discussed & allowed.

The measurement committee will meet again & discuss further the toerail rule changes & discuss the definition of what is a professional crew.

GLOC: The GLOC will be on June 17-19 in Marion, MA at Beverly Yacht Club. Please send 1 team from each fleet. The goal will be to have 8 boats racing. It was noted that there is a conflict with this event & Newport to Bermuda.

Nationals in Monterey 2016: The Nationals in 2016 will be Sept 29-Oct 1 with arrival & practice race scheduled for September 28.

The meeting adjourned

Reminder:

2015 Shields Nationals-Newport, RI: September 10-12, 2015

2016 Monterey, CA either September 28-October 1

2017 Masons Island, CT

Our next meeting is: Tuesday, August 11th, 8pm EST

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy J. Goodwin
Shields Class Secretary