

## **Shields Class Association Governing Board phone conference 7-9-13:**

### **Members present:**

Richard Robbins-Marion & Tech Committee  
Jay Dayton-Oxford/Tred Avon  
Fred Werblow-Larchmont & Treasurer  
Rick Hendee-Indian Harbor

Andy Segal-Newport  
Mike Schwartz-Chicago & President  
Wendy Goodwin-Marion & Secretary

**Treasurers Report:** We have a balance of \$19,680 dues has been trickling in. Fred sent reminder e-mails to fleets he has yet to hear from.

**Secretary's Report:** Wendy received a 20 page document from Fred regarding membership. She will get to work on updating the membership database.

## **Fleet reports:**

**Fleet 1 Larchmont** 6 or 7 Larchmont Shields recently attended a one design regatta with other Etchells, IOD's, Vipers & S-boats. It was a fun regatta.

**Fleet 2 Indian Harbor-** Rick Hendee they are sending 2 Shields to a district regatta in Larchmont.

**Fleet 3 Chicago- Mike Schwartz** Chicago will send 1 boat to Shields Nationals.

**Fleet 9 Newport- Andy Segal** They have finished their spring series & started the summer series. Andy will contact Ron Ord regarding membership details. He is concerned about the costs if the 2015 Nationals has 50 or so boats in attendance. He asked for feedback & was wondering if Oxford is going after sponsorship. Jan Slee is a bit preoccupied. Oxford is working with local sponsors (see Oxford fleet report)

**Fleet 10 Marion-**Richard reports that Marion will send 2 or 3 boats to Nationals. Thursday racing has had great attendance we had 8 races for the June series. Saturday racing attendance will be better in July as many Shields racers were in or running the Marion to Bermuda race.

**Fleet 21 Oxford Jay Dayton:** Oxford has secured local sponsors, West marine & Cape Cod Shipbuilding for the 2013 Nationals. Four sponsors have given \$ and the rest have given items for the skippers bag or a raffle/door prize. They are just using sponsors to offset costs. It was agreed that we shouldn't try & reach Jan's standard without the support. There will always be costs associated with running the Nationals. There was discussion as Oxford never got a response from Harken-Wendy has a contact & will connect them. There was more discussion on sponsorship to make an effort to get sponsorship regularly, a couple thousand a year. It was asked is these can be tax deductible-the answer was no.

They have been running lots of local races in anticipation for the Nationals. They have been running a Friday night PHRF event where 6 or 7 Shields have been attending. 12 Shields are doing well and 10 or 11 of them will be in the Nationals. Spin sheet has run several articles about the upcoming event.

**Nationals 2013 in Oxford:** Fleet 21 has 18 boats registered for the Nationals. The deadline to sign up without penalty is August 15. They are providing housing, gear to purchase is on the website.

## **New & Old Business:**

**Nominating Committee:** Wendy Fred, Mike & Richard met to give the nominating committee some direction. We need some Newport members to take some of the officer roles. Each fleet, please send any suggestions to Robin Monk, Bill Berry & H.L. Devore. [WBerry5395@aol.com](mailto:WBerry5395@aol.com), [hdevore@gmail.com](mailto:hdevore@gmail.com), [RMONK@travelers.com](mailto:RMONK@travelers.com)

**Technical Committee:** no new news at this time.

**Reminder:**

2013 Shields Nationals-Oxford, MD: Thursday Sept 26-Saturday Sept 18, 2013

2014 Shields Nationals-Larchmont, NY: Wednesday Sept 10, 2014 to Saturday Sept 13, 2014

2015 Shields Nationals-Newport, RI: September 23-27 2015

The next phone conference is scheduled for Tuesday August 13, 2013.

Respectfully Submitted,

Wendy J. Goodwin  
Shields Class Secretary