

PRELIMINARY MINUTES**C&C35 Association of Detroit – Fall, 2014****Meeting: Nov 19, 2014****NOTE: Minutes are not OFFICIAL until approved at the next meeting of Fall, 2014.**

Meeting called to order 7:35 by Commodore Mayer.

Minutes from Spring, 2014 meeting: Presented, and approved as presented. Moved accepted (Shefferly); 2nd (Jay). Approved.

Treasurer's report:

Treasurer's report accepted: moved (Jay); 2nd (Shefferly). Approved as presented.

- SUGGESTION: Investigate other Mackinac party locations
- NOTE: Sparkle dues not paid dues (2014); may be leaving fleet.

Webmaster Report:

- Spam issue is getting better.
- Proposal to use BYC as the HOST for communications. CandC35@byc.com
- Suggestion: open BYC list / host, see how it works.
- VISION: Use BYC as email communication, use Website also as documentation / posting.
- Keep Yahoo group, prune, add BYC list to skippers in DRYA. Consider Crew communications. Consider boat crew lists.
- Subcommittee: as volunteered – Dodge / Roselle to lead improvements. Email list to be compiled, circulated.

2014 Regatta Season & Scoring:

2014 RESULTS: Presented, to be ANNOUNCED and Awarded at Banquet.

ELECTION: Officers: Must elect Vice Commodore

- Commodore (Mayer) retires, per bylaws

- Vice (Keys) becomes Commodore, HOWEVER, suggests replacement due to relocation challenges.
- Nominate: Steve Jay, Vice Commodore. 2nd. (42-0)Accept. David / Steve will work together.

ANNOUNCEMENT: Steve Jay Vice Commodore, 2015.

RACING: 2015 Considerations/ Discussions

NOTE: Actual Scoring & Race Counter plans always FINALIZED at Spring meeting @ bylaws.

Proposal: (Padilla) BOD: Add as a counter. Each day as a race. Possible add as Counters, but keep qualifiers same (more drops). **Consider in SPRING.**

NOTE: Crescent considering extending Crescent weekend as 2-day, possible W-L, like BOD. **Consider in SPRING.**

NOTE: Best incentive to have 2 races in Sarnia or St. Clair, so we can have 2 races count for travelers.

NOTE: Double hand Sarnia to Rogers City available, prior to Chi-Mac. Also, after Mac, Sarnia to Blue Point & back. SUGGESTION: Approach Double-Handed society with any suggestions.

SUGGESTION: (Farr) Regional Challenge? Sarnia vs. Detroit? Crew sharing? Possible event; **review in Spring.**

- SUGGESTION: Consider Distance Races (BYC, Windsor) – consider short course.
- INVITATION: Consider Chicago – Mac Race. Also, CONSIDER 2-handed, Sarnia to Rogers City, then to Chicago.
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Off-Season Social Calendar

Awards Banquet:

- AVOID Jan 16 weekend.
- CHECK Jan 10, Jan 31 backup.

CURLING: Feb 28, Saturday @ Andy Hellenbart.

DISCUSSION / INFO: OTHER BUSINESS:

Crew Rules for Racing:

Concern: Professional crew is not considered normal for C&C racing. Prohibition against compensation to be considered. NOTE: Review definition of "professional" racer @ Sailing definition. SUGGESTION: Keep any bylaws proposal short. **Padilla to bring a proposal.**

Roller Furling Update:

Data distributed about boats equipped with Roller Furling. NEEDED: Roller Furling (\$2500 estimate), plus sail (re-cut or purchase).

GOAL? ADVANTAGE? Crew usage, cost of biggest non-roller sails. CHALLENGE: Light air: big sail has advantage in lite air.

NOTE: Roller Furling gets 6 sec / mile in PHRF. SUGGESTION: Use NO correction for Roller-Furling in 1-design.

POSSIBILTY: Consider a smaller max jib like 155 (ilo 167), still no fleet advantage for roller-furling.

NOTE: NO ACTION for 2015 year, as previously agreed.

SUGGESTION: Keys Prepare a PROPOSAL for sail / furling change. SUGGEST proposal to Spring meeting, announce 2 weeks prior, to be voted. (This is required for any By-Laws change.)

Crew - Recruiting Ideas :

Desire for more crew, but need for availability. Any chance to create / share a C&C35 list? Also suggested: C&C35 "Training Day", prior to season. Foredeck a special consideration for training.

Official Weights:

- BOAT WEGHTS: Of Member boats, many do not have official (verified) weights. Are they needed? Question asked; may need a future consideration, similar to previous studies.
Discuss in Spring.

MOTION to Adjourn at 9:00 PM: Moved - Shefferly; 2nd - Jay: APPROVED