

2001 IAA MINUTES

Combined Open Forum and Executive Committee Meeting August 9, 2001 Torquay, United Kingdom

Present:

Derek Gibbon (IAA President, NAA; also proxy for Steve Wilson)
Michael McNamara (NAA, IAA Representative to RYA)
Raines Koby (CAA - has replaced Neil Gunn as CAA representative)
Ken Clarke (IAA Vice President, CAA)
Joanna Byron (USAA Representative by proxy from Douglas Marsh)
Susan Graham (USAA Representative)

In Doug's absence, Susan took notes which Doug would translate into minutes.

NAA representatives Jean Simmons and Debbie Snowdon were absent and had no proxy

In a departure from previous practice, both the Open Forum and Executive Committee meetings were held as one meeting.

1. Submission of Proxy - done; see above list

2. 1999 Minutes

Read by Derek. Peter Fontes corrected CAA votes from 4 to 6 (DGM note 9/8/2001: however, minutes show the CAA memberships at 94, which according to IAA Constitution, allows only 4 votes. This, however, has no impact on any 1999 votes)

During discussion, it was agreed that, to the extent possible, expenses should be paid out of revenues in local currencies in order to save bank charges for currency conversions. Before Discussion - the intent of the votes regarding dues and subscriptions was not to penalize anyone for changes in exchange rates.

Ken Clarke - move to accept minutes; Joanna Byron - second; approved unanimously.

3. Measurement Report

Builder's fee:

Mike MacNamara raised the issue of the RYA's desire for North Americans to pay a mould fee for each new boat built of 70 Pounds as a copyright fee. One pound of this goes to the Uffa Fox Foundation; the balance is to cover the RYA's costs in providing a number of services to the class. Currently this cost is fully borne by NAA. The CAA has not agreed to comply with the motion passed by the IAA at its 1999 meeting to implement this in North America. Mike made the point that the NAA does, in fact, receive more services from the RYA for its 70 pounds than the two North American associations. For example, the RYA does not issue measurement certificates to North American boats. In the UK, RYA measures the boats, while in N.A., associations do the measurements. In addition, class rules policing is done by the North American associations without any assistance from the RYA, while the RYA fulfills this function in the UK. So, expecting the same fee in N.A. as from U.K is not going to be accepted by Canada.

Peter Duncan - a copyright fee is reasonable, but we must remain competitive with other classes. US executives will discuss this to make USAA proposal as to what they believe is a fair payment.

Derek - associations need to discuss what the RYA service is worth. Those services differ by country.

(Note: since this meeting, the CAA has offered, effective Jan. 1, 2002 to implement a \$50Cdn. fee per new

Canadian built and bought boat to be paid to the RYA, of which one pound is for the Uffa Fox Foundation. This is in recognition of the valuable role the RYA plays as overseer of the class rules. The CAA is also offering to directly contribute to the Uffa Fox Foundation the monies it would have received if this had been implemented two years ago, when the IAA originally passed the motion to extend the RYA copyright fee to North America. The CAA's decision was made after considering the value of the RYA's role as it extends to NA and in the interests of class unity.)

ISAF Advertising Rule

ISAF wants individual classes to decide what advertising they will accept. Proposal as passed at UK general meeting will be put to the CAA and USAA general meeting.

Publication of Class Rules

Rules are now on the IAA web site. Anyone wanting a hard copy will need to get to the web site and download or print the rules from the web.

4. Technical Committee

A proposal to change the rudder rule to specify allowable materials (as in the centerboard rule) passed at UK general meeting will be presented at the CAA and USAA general meetings.

A proposal to change the hull measurement methodology passed at UK general meeting and will be presented at CAA and USAA general meetings.

5. IAA Web Site

Peter Duncan reported that due to failure to pay fees "albacore.org" was almost given to fishermen, but USAA took responsibility to pay the fees and keep the name for IAA. IAA is the first page; click on the flags to get other countries, including US. Class rules are accessible directly from the IAA page. Suggestions for other things to be accessed from the first page or other ideas for the first page should go through Peter.

6. Future Internationals

Internationals 2003 will be at Kingston, Canada during the third week of July. Co-chairs: Heather McNaughton and Theresa Miolla.

Internationals 2005 is currently expected to be in UK and Weymouth would be a good choice. If IAA decides to change 2005 to North America (which is not expected at this time), it could be piggy backed on the Championship of Champions which, in 2005, will be held on the Chesapeake.

7. Other

Ken noted that the IAA is insolvent at this time. Dues per 1999 meeting have apparently not been collected. Raines Koby, in his newly appointed role of IAA Treasurer, will make the assessment on each national association as approved at the 1999 IAA meeting to deal with this. It was noted that the NAA will first deduct certain amounts owing to Peter Fontes by the IAA before remitting its share, in accordance with the above proposal under "1999 Minutes" to reduce foreign exchange costs.

8. 2002-2003 IAA and Election of Officers

UK Rep : Jean Simone - Vice Pres
UK Rep: Derek Gibbon
CAA Rep - Ken Clarke - Pres
CAAREp - Raines Koby - Tres
CAA Rep - Heather MacNaughton
USAA Rep - 2, to be determined

Respectfully submitted (written from notes taken by Susan Graham):

Douglas G. Marsh

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