

INTERNATIONAL ALBACORE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE 2005 AGM – SEPT 8/05 LYME REGIS, UK

Members present:

Richard Thorpe UK
Jerry Rook UK
Lloyd Leonard USA (observer)
Barney Harris USA (proxy for Susie Graham)
Peter Duncan USA
Barry Farrell CAN
Raines Koby CAN

Peter moved that the minutes of the 2003 AGM be approved, seconded by Richard – all in approval.

General discussion ensued about the status NAA. Concern was expressed about the association's focus to maintain and grow the popularity of the class. Richard acknowledged and expressed the present goal was to get new bodies into the UK executive to remedy the situation.

International Rules Committee report was conveyed in brief by Peter Duncan. A final decision has not yet been reached regarding changing the measurement of the centerboard from "pin to tip" to "where the board exits the hull to tip." Currently the number one issue facing our class is the requirement to conform to the new ISAF measurement rules format. This would require our class to re-write our measurement rules. If we don't comply the implication is we will lose our status as a recognized class of ISAF. Changes are required to be made by November 2005 however Peter expressed some leeway will likely be allowed. Peter will follow up with the rules committee on this situation and keep us posted.

Raines handed out copies of the Treasurer's Report including cash flow statement. The good news being the IAA is now solvent with \$932.95 CAN in the coffers and able to meet its annual RYA dues. Raines suggested the every second year membership levy of \$1CAN/member carry on as is. 2006 will be the next year of the levy. All agreed.

Discussion ensued about the location of future Internationals events. 2007 will be in USA on Chesapeake Bay (probably West River SC) in October 2007. Looe became the top of the list suggestion for 2009 Internationals with a proposed date of August. Barry suggested Ottawa might be a location for 2011.

Richard expressed his desire for North American builders to submit one pound sterling per built boat royalty fees to the Uffa Fox Foundation. Richard suggested this request be presented at the respective national AGM's for approval. Barney and Peter expressed they would be happy to comply with HAPCO Boats. Barry said he would follow up with Ontario Yachts on this issue. These are currently the only two active builders in NA.

Richard Thorpe put forth a motion that Barry Farrell assume the role as the IAA Secretary, seconded by Peter and all voted in favour.

2005 – 2007 IAA Representatives:

Peter Duncan USA - President

Barney Harris – USA Rep

Lloyd Leonard – USA Rep

Raines Koby CAN - Treasurer

Barry Farrell CAN - Secretary

Richard Thorpe UK - IAA Past President

Jerry Rook UK – Rep

David Weaver CAN – IAA Chief of Specifications

Mike McNamara – IAA Liaison and class rep to RYA

No other new business – meeting adjourned.

RK 21/09/05