

INTERNATIONAL ALBACORE ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE 2007 AGM – OCT 11/07
WEST RIVER SAILING CLUB, MARYLAND USA

IAA Members present:

Jean Simmons GBR - sitting in for Crawford Reid IAA VP
Jeremy Rook GBR Representative
Barney Harris USA Representative
Peter Duncan USA – IAA President
Teresa Miolla CAN - taking over for Barrie Farrell IAA Secretary
Raines Koby CAN - IAA Treasurer

Peter reviewed how the current national association membership levels affect the vote on IAA proposals. Based on current membership the national vote structure is: GBR 8 votes
CAN 6 votes, USA 4 votes.

2005 IAA Minutes:

Peter suggested the minutes of the 2005 IAA AGM be approved. Barney put forth the motion to approve the 2005 minutes, Jeremy seconded and all voted in approval.

Treasurer's Report:

Raines handed out copies of the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending 2006 showing a balance of \$475.45. IAA has a positive cash flow with current balance of \$793.23 as of September 23 2007. The only expenses incurred being the annual RYA dues and monthly bank fees of \$5CAN. Raines suggested the every second year membership levy of \$1CAN/member carry on as is. 2009 will be the next year of the levy. Barney put forth a motion that the Treasurer's report be approved, Jeremy seconded and all voted in approval. Raines will carry on as treasurer through to 2009 at which time his 8 year term concludes and a new treasurer will be appointed.

President's Report:

Peter briefly touched on the status of the re-write of class rules for ISAF. Note two evenings prior at the Open IAA Form there was a lengthy discussion on this topic. Peter emphasized the need for this project to stay on schedule and advised all national associations to move promptly to review, vote and endorse or otherwise the rules re-write.

Teresa commented that the CAA would need approximately one month to review and process a vote on the issue.

Peter commented that failure to approve the rules re-write would have a serious consequence for the NAA which relies on the RYA to manage some of its services such as boat measurement.

Peter indicated that they are close to being able to post the rules re-write on the class site for all to review and to encourage feedback. The target date to be present the rules re-write to ISAF is by December 31/07.

Peter provided an update on new boat building activity:

- Hapco should be in position to deliver boats by spring 2008.
- Speed Sails discussing w/existing UK manufacturer to build glass hulls with wood deck – nothing firm yet.
- Ontario Yachts still building but only one order for 2007.

New Business:

2009 Internationals Largs Scotland, well on it way to from a organization standpoint. Date set for July 18-24 2009. The hope is to have both a Canadian and US container of boats.

Discussion about where the 2011 Internationals will be held in Canada – Kingston or a new location. People agreed Kingston is a good site for but would like to see a new location if possible.

IAA Officers for 2007 - 2009

Barney Harris USA - Secretary
Peter Duncan USA – Past President
Raines Koby CAN - Treasurer
Teresa Miolla CAN – Vice President
Crawford Reid GBR - IAA President
Jeremy Rook UK – Representative
Jean Simmons GBR – Representative?
David Weaver CAN – IAA Chief of Specifications
Mike McNamara – IAA Liaison and class rep to RYA

Class Service Award:

Raines submitted the establishment of an award to recognize those who have put forth a significant contribution for the Albacore class on an international level. Raines will work on the criteria for this award and forward to IAA officers for review. Raines put for the motion for this award, Teresa seconded, all voted in favour.

No other new business. Teresa motioned for adjournment, Jeremy seconded and all voted in favour.

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