



THE COCKTAIL CLASS WOODEN BOAT RACING ASSOCIATION

Executive Team Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2024

7:15pm

Attendance: Fred Allerton, Commodore; Tara Carew, VC, Jeff Weeber, Treasurer; Lena Cantera; Secretary; Keith Carew, Chris Norman, Member at Large; Todd Steffes, Past Commodore

April Meeting Minutes: Motion to Approve, Fred Allerton. 2nd Todd Steffes

Treasurer's Report:

- Wells Fargo \$7,778.94
- PayPal \$3,356

2024 Race Calendar:

- 6/1 **Skuas on the Lehigh**
- 6/15 **Camp David Cup**
- 7/13 **Kent Island**
- 7/27 **Commodore Cup**
- 8/17 **Nationals**
- 9/21 **Great Oaks Landing**
- 10/12 **TK Walker Memorial Tennessee Cup**

2024 Shows & Festival Events:

- 6/28-30 **Wooden Boat Show** Mystic, CT
- 10/25-27 **Sultana's Downrigging Festival**, Chestertown, MD

NNSPS Spring Boat Show 4/27 in Kilmarnock:

- (5/14/24) Art Gilbert reported to Fred that Lawrence Fuccella attended the show and mentioned that things are looking hopeful for an Urbanna race in 2025.

Wooden Boat Show

- (5/14/24) Fred reported that show arrangements are on track. Roughly 9 members are planning to attend as the exhibitor team. Lodging arrangements are on an individual basis. Kim and Gretchen have secured dockage for their vessel at Mystic Seaport Museum. Lou, Rick, Kim and Fred will have Tohatsu's available for the Mystic River Rumble.

Pending Event:**10/5-6 St. Michael's Mid-Atlantic SCF:**

- Tom has expressed an interested in attending. CCWBRA participation has yet to be confirmed

OLD BUSINESS:**Bylaws - 2024 Update:**

- (5/14/24) Board of Directors approval received previously. Jeff will check on status of legal review by Atty Schuchman (pending).

Board of Directors: Update

- (5/14/24) Business pending for Board of Directors: Approval of 2024 Racing Handbook after final draft is completed.

2024 Handbook/ rule revisions: Update

- **(5/14/24)** The FINAL DRAFT, as proposed by the Rules Committee, includes elimination of the European CE 1385 Standard developed for white water canoeing helmets. That revision would be effective beginning with the 2025 racing season. During the meeting strong objections were raised by Todd S. and Keith C. regarding the elimination of that standard. As a result of the ensuing discussion, the CE 1385 helmet issue was put on hold pending further review of CCWBRA's position on protective gear for personal safety and on liability. Also, an investigation was suggested for possible alternatives to the CE 1385 standard that could address not only the concerns raised at the meeting, but also compatibility with speeds related to Cocktail Class racing. Refer to separate email memo from Atty Iliff to Execs regarding helmets, compatibility of standards to use, and liability.

Exec Team also spent time reviewing other FINAL DRAFT revisions overall and provided additional edits which Tara recorded. Tara will forward revised DRAFT with those modifications to Execs.

Website updates

- (5/14/24) Posting "Race Results" in "What's New": Connie installed a Google Drive demo. Decision by Execs pending.

AV Plates & Skua Plans on CLC Website

- (5/14/24) (10) AV Plates were delivered to CLC. Final coordination of CCWBRA link to CLC back door pending.

Race Marks

- (5/14/24) CCWBRA received (8) ETP Race Marks for (8) Race Marks in time for Skuas on the Lehigh race.

NEW BUSINESS:

Prospective Southport NC Fleet

- **(5/14/24)** Fred reported that Jaret Sears, Southport (near Cape Fear) contacted us about stirring up interest in Southport and conducting a race. Lou L is staying in contact with Jared. And will encourage him to attend a Maryland race, Fleet potential.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Membership Committee
(AKA Promotion/Marketing):
Ray Crowley, Chair

Rules Committee:
Jim Schmicker, Racing Rules Chair
Tara Carew, General Rules Director

Appeals Committee:
Capt. Peter Urbani, Chair

Safety Committee:
Chris Norman, Chair

Design Committee:
Keith Carew, Chair

Ship Store:
Ray Crowley, Manager

Engine Committee:
Charlie Iliff, Chair
Members: C. Bluefeld, S. Wearly, R. Bowler,
Art Gompf

2024 MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE: 2nd Tues of the month, 7:15pm (unless otherwise announced)

July 16, 2024

October 8, 2024

Aug 13, 2024

November 12, 2024

September 10, 2024

December 10, 2024