

Minutes from C-15 Annual Class Meeting

8/10/24 – Fleet Room, Santa Barbara Yacht Club

Submitted by Ole Eichhorn, Class President

- At 1930 drone footage from racing was paused (!) and the meeting was called to order.
 - o About 30 people present.
- Roll call of the Fleets, competitors hailed from:
 - o Half Moon Bay
 - o Marina Del Rey
 - o Westlake Village
 - o Santa Barbara
 - o Seal Beach
 - o Sidney, Australia
 - o St Petersburg, Florida
- Treasurer's Report – Vincent Paternoster
 - o The Class has about \$4,000.
 - o The 2024 NAs at SBYC may run a deficit and the class may spend about \$500 to close the gap.
 - o We are almost out of C-15 Shirts, and we are going to have more made using the “just hanging out” motif designed at SCCYC.
 - o Not really part of his report but Vince noted it was great that SBYC had several stake boats on the water to help competitors recover and we should be aware of the need for this in future.
- Measurement / Class Rules
 - o A discussion carried over from last year's Class Meeting in Huntington Lake was whether to allow carbon booms. (Specifically, whether to modify the class rules to eliminate the requirement that booms be made from aluminum.) After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and approved to make this change.
- Splitting A & B at NAs
 - o Historically the class has used the Corp Series to split the NA Fleet into A and B for the Championship Series and these have started separately. After some discussion guidance was given to for future NA organizers that a small fleet such as the 13 boats in Santa Barbara should sail everyone together. Whether and how A and B are separated is up to the organizers.
- 2025 North American Venue
 - o In 2023 it was decided to host the North Americans at Huntington Lake as part of Fresno Yacht Club's High Sierra regatta every other year. This was done for the 2023 North Americans. Unfortunately this conflicts with the Transpac which is also in July and run in odd years. Therefore after some discussion it was further decided to seek another venue for 2025, and to host the NAs at Huntington to every other year in even years, starting in 2026.
 - o Since the Santa Barbara regatta was “Southern California”, it seemed appropriate to have the 2025 NAs in “Northern California”, and the Half Moon Bay Fleet volunteered to act as hosts. Yay!
- 2024-25 C-15 Officers
 - o Lucy Gillies offered to serve as Class President for 2025 and to be NA Regatta Chair. Yay!
 - o Vincent Paternoster agreed to continue serving as Class Treasurer as he has done for many years.
- Meeting adjourned at 1815. Onward to the bar.