

J24 Fleet Formation Meeting

Monday, 14/08/2017

RMYC Port Hacking

Meeting opened: 1830

Present: Jared Macquart (Seas the Jay), John Zagame (Boudicca), Mick Reynolds (Slippery Fish), Gordon Knight (Sailmates), Steve Wright (Renaissance), Fiona Campbell (Vertigo), David McKay (Stockcar/McKay Marine), Sue Arnold (Sailmates).

Apologies: Tony Landers (Jargon), Clinton Hood (Vertigo)

Chairperson: Steve Wright

Discussion:

- Mick R provided background on the need to move away from a state based organisation to a fleet based organisation (geographical, organisational and financial) as occurs in USA.
- Sue A queried proposed organisation's relationship with Sailing Australia – maintain communication but not actually affiliated (as exists at present).
- General discussion on structure – all agreed that organisation needs to be incorporated. Fiona C and John Z queried legal exposure prior to incorporation. No regattas planned until mid 2018, so there is time to put everything in place. **Jared M** and **John Z** to investigate insurance for organisation.
- Constitution – Steve W has the International J24 Association constitution, or adopt a model constitution, or a blend. General agreement on keeping constitution simple. Sub-committee to look at constitution – John Z, Steve W, Fiona C – and have something concrete to present at next meeting. David M suggested looking at the Etchell association constitution. Constitution to define frequency of meetings, quorum at meetings and AGM etc.
- Name of organisation – proposed John Z and seconded Jared M that name of organisation should be **J24 Southern Sydney Fleet Association. (SSF)** All in agreement, good geographical definition and inclusive of Botany Bay.
- Positions/office bearers:
President: John Zagame
Secretary/Treasurer: Fiona Campbell
Measurer: Mick Reynolds
All nominated and elected unopposed.
- Mick R to confer regularly with Hugo Ottoway (Melbourne) in his position as national measurer. Hugo in Sydney Sunday 17/09/2017.
- Address for organisation – **Fiona C** to check with Cronulla Sailing Club if it's ok to use their postal address, and to create an email address.
- Financials – open bank account once SSF incorporated. Fiona C to use her MYOB for bookkeeping.
- Meetings – general agreement that RMYC is a good, neutral venue to hold meetings. Mondays at 1830 generally suitable. Frequency?? **Jared M** to check with RMYC.
- Media – national association to be consulted about restructuring their website to have link for SSF. Current facebook page to change name from Cronulla J24 fleet to 'J24 Southern Sydney Fleet'. **Mick R** to action both. Ideally, have membership forms available on website.
- Spending – emphasis on youth (? youth boat).

- Organisational emphasis on transparency and inclusiveness.

Next meeting (for constitution) Monday 4/09/2017

Minutes recorded by Fiona Campbell

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Fiona Campbell', written in a cursive style.

Meeting closed 1930

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