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Annual Business Meeting
San Francisco Bay Knarr Association
February 26, 2019
St. Francis Yacht Club, Chart Room
San Francisco, California
1830 hours – Chart Room

I. Roll Call

Officers Present: Bryan Kemnitzer, Admiral
Graham Green, Vice Admiral
David Wiard, Secretary
Steve Taft, Measurer

Absent: Joanne Schov, Treasurer

Members Boat Representatives Present: 47, 102, 104, 107, 111, 116, 120 (by proxy, Mike Ratiani), 122, 123, 128, 125 (by proxy, Phil Perkins), 128, 130, 134, 138, 141, 143.

Absent: 85, 99, 105, 114, 115, 132, 142, 144, 135

II. Call to Order

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 1837 hours.

III. Reports

a. Admiral

BK introduced new owners and boat partners in the fleet

b. Secretary

DW reviewed the fleet and international website content, reviewed registration and dues payment procedures and reminded everyone that late fees kick in after March 1st.

c. Treasurer

DW presented on behalf of Treasurer Joanne Schov. 2018 Income expense summary, recurring annual expenses, recurring ones and their purpose. Report appended. Highlighted was income lagged expenses because we have unsold inventory of Knarr Anniversary Books. Selling the remaining would put us in positive territory but will be reflected in 2019 income.



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IV. IKC 2019 SFYC (by: P.Perkins, event co-chair)

- a. Date of August 7-14 and Schedule and daily schedule of events was reported, may details still being worked out. # of races of up to 12 will be considered, but traditional 10 is more likely. Also of interest to some was if we vary the venue from the city front to the circle. Opinions ranged from that Europeans wanted the city front to some that Europeans think the city front is unique, but biased to the locals. Big Boat Series consumes the end of the week, so opportunities would be in the early days. Steve Taft advised that if there were ebb conditions, the Alcatraz venue may be a fair city front option. Committee co-chairs in conjunction with SFYC will make the final call.
- b. Sponsorship Funding was reviewed by subcommittee chair, Tim Dowling. He presented sponsor proposal package. Advised that Hinckley and Tom Price Auto Group appeared to be onboard as key partners. Conveyed that everyone knows somebody as a potential sponsor so bring opportunities and contacts to Tim's attention.
- c. Sub-Committees: PP conveyed that many people are needed to execute the event and encouraged everyone to take even the smallest role, or even get their significant others involved.
- d. Fund Raiser on March 13, 2019 at the Norwegian Club: PP highlighted the tradition and advised a silent auction will precede the live dinner. The club only can accommodate 95 people so sign up early. RSVP to Julie Wiard to get \$65 per person payment link.
- e. Participants (12 US; 6 Norway; 7 Denmark), 25 boats total with 3 spares.
- f. IKC Sails for fleet purchase: ST advised that both being considered as top-tie model from either Doyle or North. RH feels it is a burden to fleet member to have to purchase and his solution is to let people bring their own to events. Others feel new jib are a great equalizer and worth the added cost. Noted was that fleet member purchase is purely voluntary. DW advised that last time all fleet members were given a first chance to buy one, After that remaining inventory was made available on a first come basis. Some people buy multiple.

V. Class Rules / US Prescriptions

DW reported no changes from 2018 and the sole version is on the international website (www.knarronedeign.com) where separate county sites are linked to. Also described that rule changes need to be submitted to each county's Technical Committee representatives and ultimately voted on at the international level.

VI. Schedule (by: Graham Green)



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- a. Regular Season was presented and discussion quickly turned to August events. John Buestad presented the Ballena Bay opportunity and debated was the number of days along with the number of races. It was felt that Sunday counters were essential to get people to stay for Saturday's club socials. Preferred format is 3 races Saturday, with one counter on Sunday, with a second crew driven race to Blossom or Ft. Mason buoy finish. The other consideration is for the August 3rd event to be turned into a 2-day affair by SYC and moved to the Circle, at least for Sunday, to get as much racing as possible in the circle for US team practice. GG to consult with Zarwell and SYC for this option. If we do Ballena Bay and 2-day SYC on 3-4, the Summer Keel at SFYC could be ditched, since SYC had this event planned for bigger boats and sprit boats, so we would not fit well. MOTION, by Randy Hecht, seconded by Graham Green: Subject to GG confirmation by the event hosts, Ballena Bay event to include Sunday counter, August 3rd event to add Sunday, with a change of venue to the Circle, and ditch Summer Keel at on August 10-11. The motion passed.
Additional comment on the schedule was that we have no racing until May, and this needs to be addressed in the future. GG advised he sought venues and hosts, but everything is booked. Others advised we only have one event at St.FYC. DW advised that has been the pattern for the last several years, as StFYC past ERC chairs and Race Manager believe that since we race Wednesdays, that should be enough. The club's priority has shifted to their J-22 program .
- b. Perpetual Series: not discussed but noted on schedule.
- c. Wednesday Night Series: Not discussed, but noted dates are not posted on the StFYC race calendar.

VII. Future of the International Knarr Fleet

- a. New Boats: MR: German builder out of business; class has secured the molds.
- b. New Builder: MR: one in Denmark interested, but prospective builder wants to see a few orders before they commit.
- c. US Boats for Sale: BK & ST; two available on the website and 99 rumored to be for sale. 135 sold and 127 has a sale pending.
- d. Spare Masts: Bryan confirms 2 in inventory at Bay Marine, Richmond; Randy Hecht has a spare as well.
- e. Spare Whisker Poles: BK advises about 10 in-stock; see him to purchase.



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VIII. Other Motions from the Floor

ST advised the fleet should decide to go with either North or Doyle for the IKC sail purchase. Event co-chair PP advised this vote should be non-binding to the event committed, and only a sense of fleet preference. Brian called for a show of hands with 6 for North and 7 for Doyle, excluding proxies; since it is likely a split if the entire fleet was polled it was recommended that the event chairs make the final selection.

IX. 50th Anniversary IKC Book

BK; we have more to sell, so please buy some

X. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2023 hours



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MONTH	DAYS	EVENT				
March	2					
April	6					
	13-14					
	20-21					
	27	& SFYC Interclubs				
May	4	Invitational Series #1				
	11-12					