LSYA Annual General Meeting Minutes November 2, 2018

Welcome and introductions

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- 1. Call to order 7:53 by Chris Wells
 - 1.1 Introductions
 - 1.2 Identification of voting privileges, 2 per Club plus the 5 board members, acknowledgement that quorum is established.
- 2. Approval of 2017 Minutes: Moved Bill Peterson, seconded by Scott Spaeth, carried. Approval of 2018 Agenda: Moved Kris Henry, seconded by Bill Peterson, carried.
- 3. Reports
 - 3.1 Secretary's report. Terry Cano. Any inquiries via email sent to me regarding LSYA NORs, SIs were forwarded accordingly. A letter was sent to LMPHRF confirming Keith Stauber as the LSYA rep. Keith confirmed that an updated letter will be needed. Minutes will be circulated within 2 weeks.
 - 3.2 Treasurer's report. Mark Gross.No financial report was prepared. Invoices went out to clubs this past Monday. Outstanding payments to Yacht Scoring and YRUGL. Stable financial position with approx \$5000 in bank. Report will be circulated by December 15, 2018.

- 3.3 Ratings. Keith Stauber. Keith to continue as rep for Lake Superior at LMPHRF. Keith is also the Protest Chair. Secretary to send letter naming Keith as LSYA rep to LMPHRF. There were no ratings appeals this year. It was noted that there would be no LSYA races without LMPRHF ratings. Discussion about the different ratings used for Velocity Girl in Around Apostle Islands and International. It was a mistake made by using the Distance Handicap. It is up to the individual races to check certificates and ratings. Ratings are an issue for Bermuda starts. Up to owner to decide on their start time. Discussion to change LSYA NORs to reflect the LMPHRF 12 second penalty to make it more likely that entrants will get certificates ahead of time. Also add that to compete for LSYA trophies a LMPHRF certificate is required.
- 3.4 Sailing Instructions. Ed Alspach, not present, no report. NORs were posted on website and SIs were done by clubs.
- 3.5 Publicity. Keith Stauber (and all) The website was updated and cross linked to facebook by Mark during the year. David volunteered to help Mark with this for the 2019 season.
- 3.6 Website/Scoring. Mark set up Yacht Scoring for entries this year. Mark and David handled results this year. Need to get times into the site for running results. Each club will need to forward times ASAP. Every race should be standardized to TOD and use the LMPHRF distance ratings. Keith will investigate the DHCP handicap on certificates to see why it varies for some boats. Bill will retrospectively look at Around Apostle Islands race to see which handicaps were used and look at TOD vs TOT. Motion: That LSYA use TOT factor for distance racing over 25 miles. Moved by Keith, seconded by Bill. Carried.

3.7 Richardson Cup. Scott Spaeth.

PRESS RELEASE: 10/1/18 RICHARDSON TROPHY REGATTA All was good at Bayview Yacht Club on September 29th, the start of this year's Richardson Trophy Match Race Regatta. Fair skies with moderate wind and warm air set the stage for the 106 year old trophy. This competition establishes the best of the best in the Great Lakes region in a highly competitive series. The series has been raced since 1912 for a total of 78 times allowing for breaks during WWII and other determining events. There was good competition this year from two experienced past Richardson winners, Chris VanTol and Steve Lowery. Others were Ryan Seago, immediate past winner of this year's Detroit Grand Slam Grade 2. Lance Fraser represented RCYC was also considered as a contender. Rounding out was new and a young skipper representing Wayzata Yacht Club and Lake Superior Yachting Association, Sam Bartel. Light and moderate wind allowed for rapid progress through one full round robin and four flights into the second before racing ceased for the day. With rain starting during the night and persisting in the morning, racing resumed Sunday, to finish the second round robin. Skies started to clear with a light NE breeze allowing for immediate move into the finals. This put the four top finishers in order, Chris VanTol, Steve

Lowery, Ryan Seago and Lance Fraser in competition and establish this year's winner. With quick succession of these elimination, the final winner of this year's Richardson Trophy was Ryan Seago representing Bayview Yacht Club and the Detroit Regional Yachting Association. In desending order, the final standings for this year were: Ryan Seago, Chris VanTol, Steve Lowery, Lance Fraser, Evert McLauglin, Sam Bartel and Paul Currie. Submitted: Scott Spaeth, president Yachting Racing Union Great Lakes

Motion: That the LSYA pay \$300 (half of entry fee) to reimburse Sam Bartlet as LSYA/Wayzata representative. Moved by Kris, seconded by Bill. Carried. WYC will reimburse the other half. The 2019 Richardson Cup will be at RCYC Toronto competing in sonars.

- 3.8 Trans Superior. Kris Henry. 2019 race is set up on Yacht Scoring. August 3, 2019. NORs will be up soon. There are 3 entries already. Race will be run under PHRF, ORR, Multi Hull, Single and Double Handed divisions. Discussion of growing race by offering ORR to attract larger boats, and offering the GL 70's a OD race. Need to promote the Tri Lakes challenge (Bartell Trophy) to Chicago Mac and Bayview Mac. Christmas cards went out to all 2017 participants, Kudos to Dave Johnson.
- 4 Old Business (varies from agenda due to overlapping discussion)
 - 4.1 2018 Review: 11 boats entered the LSYA races this year, a substantial increase. All attendees are encouraged to continue to promote offshore interclub racing on Lake Superior within their home clubs.
 - 4.2 International: The traditional format of race from Grand Marais to Thunder Bay has been very successful for the second year. More US boats this year brought the total entries to 12. Triangle was able to be completed within the week which was a positive. In 2017 having the INTL the week prior to the Trans didn't leave enough delivery time. Further discussion/decision under 6.4
 - 4.3 Scoring. Discussion of scoring races and requirements for scoring. How many boats constitute a race? Number of boats entered or number on start line. Season Overall scored with one throw out. In opposite Trans years, the Triangle series is scored as well with 3 races, no throw outs.
 - 4.4 Class Splits. No change, suggested at 50 and under, 51-82, 83 and greater. To be adjusted at first race based on entries, prior to Around the Islands. Any multi-hulls will be a separate class.
 - 4.5 Timelines- Minutes will be circulated within two weeks by Secretary, Mark/David to update website.
 - 4.6 Need to get emails to clubs and owners to advertise next year events and prompt them to enter via Yacht Scoring link on our site.
 - 4.7 Include a jib/main division in LSYA NORs to encourage some new entrants

- 5 Trophies: Discussion of changing trophies to prizes for 1st to 3rd. Decision to leave as trophies.
- 6 New Business (varies from agenda)
 - 6.1 2019 Schedule. Known dates: Chicago Mac, July 13. Bayview Mac, July 20. TranSuperior Aug 3.

6.2 Around Apostle Islands
6.3 Apostle Islands Race Week
July 2-July 6, 2018

- 6.4 International Race. Discussion of timing of this event. Motion: That the INTL race from Grand Marais to Thunder Bay be on Sunday July 21, 2019. Moved by Terry, seconded Keith. Carried.
- 6.5 TranSuperior August 3, 2019
- 6.6 DYC will consider a race on Friday August 9, 2019 from Duluth to Silver Bay. Scott will reach out to a contact in Silver Bay as race finishers will need transportation to get supplies.
- 6.7 Election of Officers. Motion: That the current slate of officers continue in their capacity for 2019. Moved by Keith, seconded Bill. Friendly amendment, That David Herring sit as Scoring Chair. Moved, Kris, seconded Chris. Amendment and Motion Carried.

Commodore: Chris Wells
Vice Commodore: Kris Henry
Treasurer: Mark Gross
Secretary: Terry Cano
Scoring/Website: David Hering
Ratings/Appeals/publicity: Keith Stauber

SI's:

- 6.8 2019 LSYA AGM. Friday November, 2019. 7:30 pm. Location TBA.
- 6.9 Race Fees. Fees to remain at 2018 rates, Club \$250 and Series per boat at \$100.
- 6.10 Awards. Chris Wells. 2018 results:

Division A: First Northern Harrier, Red Hawk, Kestrel

Division B: First Galatea, Second Straight Jacket, Third Flying Circus.

Triangle Series: Division A, Northern Harrier, Division B, Straight Jacket.

6.11 Trophies will be handled by Chris Wells in 2019.

7 Meeting Adjourned. Moved Kris Henry, seconded James Gracey. Carried.