

I-LYA Junior Activities Meeting

December 2, 2017

Unapproved Minutes

Call to Order: Leslie Hill, Chairman

Clubs Present: Berlin YC, Buckeye LakeYC, Cheshire Cove SC, Cleveland YC, Edgewater YC, Erie YC, Ford YC, Grosse Ile YC, Hoover SC, Jolly Roger SC, Leatherlips, Mentor Harbor YC, North Cape YC, Port Clinton YC, Put-in-Bay YC, Sandusky SC.

Jr. Council: Leslie Hill, Chair; Kathy Allyn, vice-chair; Regional Reps: Dave Chapman, Linda Sprenger, Danielle van Heeckeren; Coach Rep Tyler Parsons; Sailor Rep Will Taylor

ACTION ITEMS FROM THROUGHOUT THE MEETING:

- Grow the Sport!
- For April meeting: plan for expanded green fleet boat sharing for traveler series
- Consider Scheduling Level 1 in the late summer/ fall
- Find the Skoch/Zillmann Full Rig Laser Trophy
- Update the HS Sailing page on the website

ITEMS TO NOTE:

- Contact NCYC to discuss coach share opportunities
- USODA looking for 2018 Great Lakes host

Steve Harris – 2017 Junior Sail Regatta – All Good

2018 Chairs Matt and Lisa Fisher, HSC. Both Matt and his son, Stu, are past Junior Bay champions. Recently, Matt has worked as an I-LYA coach and so is familiar with the event. Matt will be reaching out to last year's committee chairs and is clearly passionate about junior sailing. Lots of good discussion about *possible* changes: splitting the fleet, shortening the event, adding a clinic, length of races, etc., etc., etc. Matt noted that he observed that 90% of the coaches and about 30% of the kids were truly engaged. Solid input from juniors attending the meeting concerning balance of racing and training, effectiveness of clear behavior expectations and breathalyzer testing (at club level). Overall a positive, constructive discussion rooted in how best to grow our sport.

Committee Reports

Safety – Georg Romell spoke to electric shock awareness and importance of having testing equipment and Bill Taylor added that tests should ALWAYS be done the day of the event as a newly arrived vessel could create a shock hazard. Leslie spoke about helmets and concussion awareness.

Long Range Planning – No Report

Communication/Outreach – Email ilya.juniors@gmail.com to be added to the email list. Email your Area Rep to update cub contacts online. Help Jane O'Brien out by sending info for the emails and I-LYA News.

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Opti Committee – Terry McSweeney Level of Opti sailing in I-LYA continues to improve. USODA still looking for a 2018 Great Lakes host. Kathy Allyn reported US Sailing and John Pearce are doubling down on green fleet experience at JOs. Suggested expanding the TS host club providing camp boats to green fleters to break down barriers to participation.

Training and Education –Interested in hosting contact Jamie Jones, the Area E Training Coordinator first so we can be smart in our scheduling. Scheduling too late in the season doesn't work. Suggestion to schedule late season for following year's instructors. Sandusky contemplating a college sailing intro/level 1 combo program. Jim Miller has housing for anyone interested in Florida Level 2/3 training at Jensen Beach or Davis Island.

Coach Requirements: Coaches on the water at the Area Championships need to have at least a valid Level 2 certification. Level 1 instructors are permitted only if they are riding with a Level 3 coach.

Traveler Series

Skoch/Zillmann Family Trophy (Full Rig Laser-Traveler Series) is missing. Thought is to find it and repurpose for radials which is currently just a plain plaque. Picture below. Check your trophy cabinets. Al Buescher photos are on flickr. Al is revising the TS Rules which have been ignored. Lively discussion about the value of mandating state registrations and whether it is even our job to enforce.

Clinic JO Discussion: target coaching to abilities, coach the coaches, speed coaching where you pick topics and rotate, sorry couldn't hear all the talk....

Ida Lewis – MHYC hosting July 24-29. Jr. Women's Double-Handed limited to 40 boats. Registration opens March 1 and fills quickly. MHYC will need help hosting up to 100 people!

Area E Championship: Rochester, NY July 6-8 Laser radials, 420s and Lightnings

US Sailing Chubb Championships: NCYC August 6-10

Upcoming Events:

Orange Bowl – Coordinate if going—more fun. Please note: Challenge Grants for travel outside the I-LYA footprint available from The Yachtsmen's Fund. Apply online at yachtsmensfund.org.

Sailing Leadership Forum 2018 (think National Sailing Program Symposium) February 1-3, 2018 St. Pete Beach, FL. Highly recommended for current and future program/fleet leaders. Register in December and save.

2018 Sailing Dates:

A draft Traveler Series Schedule was distributed. Some adjustments might be needed but skeleton calendar is posted on the TS and Calendar pages for your 2018 planning.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane O'Brien
Communications Chair

Missing Skoch/Zillmann Trophy Traveler Series Full Rig laser

