Outcomes of the Sailors and Skippers Meeting

The following is a summary of the outcomes of the Sailors and Skippers Meeting held at the Clubhouse at 1000-1200 Saturday, 25 July 2020. The Resolutions, Decisions, and Actions are based on the Agenda (At Annex A). 31 sailors were in attendance, representing the majority of Skippers and a chorum of sailors.

2020-21 Race Calendar

2.1 Off The Beach Racing Calendar as proposed (at Annex B)

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to repeat much of the same racing formats and events as

the 2019-20 season.

2.2 Keelboat Racing nominally as follows:

1st Saturday of each month – Championship

2nd Saturday of each month – Short-course (multiple Windward/Leeward)

3rd Saturday of each month – Pursuit or Consistency

Resolution: By Vast Majority, sailors resolved to try proposed racing formats for Championship

and Consistency Series

2.3 Invitational Keelboat Events nominally scheduled for the 4th Saturday of each month, as follows:

Saturday 26th September 2020 – Captain Stirling Keelboat Race

Saturday 24th October 2020 – Invitational Race (to be defined)

Saturday 26th November 2020 - Catalpa Classic

Sunday 27th November 2020 – Ode Saw Memorial

Saturday 19th December 2020 – Junior Skipper Race

Tuesday 26th January 2021 – Australia Day Boat Rally

Saturday 30th January 2021 – Invitational Race (to be defined)

Saturday 20th February 2021 – Cockburn Cup

Sunday 21st February 2021 – Dvoretsky Memorial

Saturday 27th March 2021 – Junior Skipper Race

Sunday 25th April 2021 - ANZAC Cup

Nominations will typically close for invitational events one week prior to the event to allow for bookings to be made and appropriate resoursing.

Resolution: By Majority, keelboat sailors resolved to try proposed Invitational Series races

Action: Sailing Committee to explore a 'long distance' type series including Fremantle races

2019-20 Racing Feedback

3.1 Sailors were largely happy with courses offered last season. To reduce some confusion with visiting fleets, the 'around Q to finish' will be replaced with a 'through Q Gate to finish'.

Action: Sailing Committee to explore course complexity and/or alternate courses for the

Keelboat Fremantle and return races

3.2 OTB sailors were largely happy with the racing formats used during the 2019-20 season. Keelboat sailors would like to see more Marathon races, some Short-Handed races, and are interested in a new format to replace the 'Lady Skippers' race.

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to replace Lady Skippers race with a Novice Sailors race

Action: Sailing Committee to explore integration of one (or more) Short-Handed Keelboat

races

3.3 Sailors provided positive feedback of the current Division splits. Divisions will be:

Division 1
Division 3

Division 6 (Jib and Main)

Yvonne Laser

Mixed Dinghies

3.4 2020-21 Race Fees were briefed as follows:

		Individual	Block
		(per Race-day)	
Keelboat	Consistency & Championship	\$15	\$250
	Invitational	\$10	-
ОТВ	Consistency & Championship	\$5	\$100

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to accept new fee structure

Action: Sailing Committee to explore reduction of fees for Keelboat Fremantle race weekends

to \$15 for both days

Club Officials Positions

- 4.1 There was no interest from sailors to nominate for Rear Commodore Sail
- 4.2 Sailors were briefed of the opportunity and intent to alter the employment of club officials supporting sailing from Division Representatives to functional Captains that support Grow Sailing outcomes, namely: Off-The-Beach Captain, Keelboat Captain, Cruising Captain, and Womens Captain. With no nominations for Captains, the default is to elect Division Representatives.

Resolution: (1) By Vast Majority, sailors resolved to elect Captains in lieu of Division Representatives

- (2) By lack of nomination, no Captains were elected
- (3) By nomination, the following Division Representatives were eleveted:

Division 1 – Lee Humphreys – <u>wce1121@bigpond.net.au</u> Division 3 – Ally Mounsey – <u>allymounsey@yahoo.com</u> Jib and Main – Dave Reid – <u>sludge</u> <u>au@bigpond.com</u>

Yvonnes – Vacant

Lasers – Bill Cox – whcoxy@hotmail.co.uk

4.4 There was no interest from sailors to nominate for Handicapper. The current Handicapper (Katie Mitchell) will be asked to continue conducting this role.

4.5 There was no interest from sailors to become Race Officers or Race Officials. The current Principal Race Officer (Neil Mason) will continue in this role; Should anyone become interested, enquiries should be directed to the Principal Race Officer.

Any Other Business

5.1 **Return from Fremantle Keelboat race presentations.** A suggestion was put forward that the lack of presentations post a 'return from Fremantle' Keelboat race was disappointing and needed to change. There was not sufficient support to reinstate a presentations event on the Sunday, sighting: sailors would rather get back to a warm shower and loved ones after a long weekend sailing.

Resolution: By Majority, Keelboat sailors resolved to schedule a mid-week presentation event post

a Fremantle race weekend

Action: Sailing Committee to explore best night and time for the Club and sailors to schedule

presentations post a Fremantle race weekend

- 5.2 **2020-21 Nominations**. 2020-21 Club Sailing Nominations should be available by the end of August. Based on the trial during Winter Sailing, Nominations this year will be either by paper through the office, or online through RevSport.
- 5.3 **Cockburn Sound Regatta Nominations**. CSR NoR and Nominations paperwork will be available by mid August. Nominations will be online through the standard online CSR nomination portal.
- 5.4 **Cruising in Company**. A suggestion was made to schedule some 'Cruises in Company'. The support for these activities exist, however there seems to be no-one to champion and coordinate these events; the intent of having a Cruising Captain was to have a champion and central point of contact. Cruising in Company is intented to be addressed through the Grow Participation in Club Sailing Plan.
- 5.5 **New crew and volunteers.** A suggestion was made that new and interested crew are not being placed on boats; due to a few reasons, people are either put of by the new environment or simply not engaged by skippers to get out on the boats.

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to have any new sailors taken out with the Start Crew at

1300, and ferried to boats as required

Action: Sailing Committee to explore physical interest / signup board, process, and signage to

welcome and get prospective new crew on the water

5.6 **Changes to Rule 46**. Australian Sailing intended to update Rule 46 from mandating membership to Australian Sailing after the third event to mandating membership to Australian Sailing for any event. Australian Sailing have postponed this action to January 2022, and the use of SailPass is being explored through the Sustainable Club Sailing Plan.

5.7 **Weather and race cancellations**. Race cancellation policy is to cancel at the Clubhouse on a gale warning, or a strong wind warning where the wind is at 20 knots and building. There remains a judgement call based on course conditions of 'up to 25 knots' for any other cancellations.

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to have the Principal Race Officer make a call between

1300 and 1330 at the Start Line

5.8 **Cancelled consistency races**. A suggestion was made that cancelled championship and consistency races should be rescheduled.

Resolution: By Majority, sailors resolved to have cancelled races rescheduled for the last four

Sundays of the season

Action: Sailing Committee to schedule placeholder races in the Sailing Calendar

5.9 **Division based email distribution**. A suggestion was made to have a division based email distribution setup. The Principal Race Officer has an email and SMS distribution to all registered skippers.

Action: Principal Race Officer to explore an 'all sailors' and a 'X division sailors' information

distribution method

Agenda

1.	Opening and Update on Sailing Program 1.1. Priorities	(20 Minutes)
	1.2. F18 World Championships	
	1.3. 2020 Seniors Presentation Night	
	1.4. Trophies and Prizes	
2.	2020-21 Racing Calendar	(20 Minutes)
	2.1. Off The Beach Racing	
	2.2. Keelboat Racing	
	2.3. Invitational Events	
	2.4. Visiting Club Events and support	
3.	2019-20 Racing Feedback	(30 minutes)
	3.1. Courses	
	3.2. Formats (lady skippers, junior skippers, novice sailors, short-handed)	
	3.3. Division splits	
	3.4. Race Fees	
4.	Club Officials positions	(15 Minutes)
	4.1. Rear Commodore Sail	
	4.2. Consideration for positions of OTB, Keelboat, and Cruising Captains	
	4.3. Division Reps	
	4.4. Handicapper	
	4.5. Race Officers	
5.	Any Other Business	(20 Minutes)
6.	Closing	(5 Minutes)