

Minutes of the International 2.4mR Class Association Executive Committee Skype Meeting
02/12/2018 8pm UK time.

Steve Bullmore, Stellan Berlin, Cor de Graaf, Rikard Bergstrum, Heiko Kroger, Tim Ripley were all present via Skype.

1. Approval of minutes
Minutes from the last meeting were approved
2. World Sailing annual report
Pekka and Stellan will look in to details from Gavle.
3. Genoa Worlds 2019 - Steve and Keith to view site and arrangements 25/26 February

Stellan said Gavle jury observed boats around the marks observed many hit mark with rig or backstay. Suggest we adopt rule from match racing where only a foul if hull or sailor touches mark. Moving mark can easily touch rig or sailor. Suggested only penalty if mark contacts hull or sailor. This is something we should put in to sailing instructions, and include in our race management manual. Close mark rounding and moving mark. Good idea to put in to racing instructions. EC will add to sailing instructions and our race management manual for Italy Worlds.

Steve and Keith are going to Italy for inspection. Should remind OA of our documentation and TC docs for how to run measurement etc. NOR and SI should be approved by EC before release.

TC will post on ICA website with recommendations / instructions for measurement etc.

Heiko looked at Google Earth and has questions about parking, campers etc. Concrete area for tents, trailers etc. Worlds "village" to be set up with tents etc.

4. Newport (?) Worlds 2020 - positive signs - support for containers to the event?

Tim will update EC on Newport, we should have more information by end of March. Discussion on EC providing containers subsidy. Difficult to contribute substantially and if enough boats to fill a container any subsidy will be a small percentage per person. Subsidy per boat would help fill containers and distribute funds more fairly. Not convinced this is the best way to go. Will add as an agenda item for the next meeting.

5. Tonsberg Worlds 2021 - indication that they will make a formal bid

Norwegians are interested in hosting Worlds in 2021. Nice venue and good water. Close camping, easily reached via ferries etc.

6. Finnish Worlds 2023 - where would we like to be for the 2022 Worlds?
2023 Worlds are booked for Finland. Where should we have Worlds in 2022? Hong Kong?
7. Para Europeans - open to all 2.4s and all sailors - held under World Sailing - what should our relationship be with them for future championships - which of our events do we wish to combine?

Event is governed by EuroSAF. Massimo is involved but is not a World Sailing event. Want to run Para Worlds in Cadiz, far away from everyone and one week after Kiel Woche so will not be well attended by other European 2.4mR sailors than from Spain. Also expensive time to visit. Rafa has reached out and indicated he needs to make charters available.

Para Europeans will be Open event and should be useful to grow class etc. but may create issues with other organizations running similar events and interfering with ICA events.

Hansa, will provide boats at the Worlds if ½ of the fleet can be sold locally after the event. RS also wants to make money too. If boats are not selling Para Worlds will likely be dead without Paralympics.

8. Olympic inclusion - meeting at Essen with Jurgen Cluytmans from World Sailing

Olympic inclusion of 2.4mR? was presented as an idea at WS AGM. We have no real influence or control over IOC and sailings future. Olympic organization wants also to make money but difficult to have return on investment.

Hempele World Series?

How should we adjust our agenda to promote the class? How should we deal with World Sailing and other organizations? Strategize?

World Cup fees vary dependant on number of participants. If Para/Olympic sailors go with same containers would increase participation. Success is usually dependant on local efforts.

We should be attending events with other sailors we would like to attract to the class and spend funding to get new people in to the boats. We need to attract accomplished /famous sailors to our events.

We need to establish cooperation with WS etc. so we can do common planning. We need to be focus of events. We are not receiving information from World Sailing. Communications are very controlled and disorganized.

We should focus on our own events and make boats available for new sailors to participate in our events.

9. International Measurers - Keith is in contact with World Sailing to bring additional IMs - the 2.4 Class will need to approve any name - necessity for new names to have measured at a recognised event - Cadiz 2019 - expenses for that and for IM seminar.

Measurement experience is planned for Cadiz. We need to establish cooperation with WS etc. so we can do common planning.

10. Payments by Treasurer - Pekka has not confirmed payment to CanAm support, Norlin Yachts and U.K. Dinghy Show support from 2018 as approved.

Pekka has sent US/Can marketing funds. Steve will follow up re: UK and Norlin funds.

11. Any other business - please advise anything prior to the meeting that needs discussion as an agenda point.

TC reports updating measurement information and rules / checking ERS. Error in notes from 2018 AGM, Stellan will send correction. Verifying certification process and measurement forms. No one is following rules on how to handle measurements or certification. TC will post measurement forms on website so countries can get common forms.

Keith's observation re: OD sail measurements. North sails measure to OD. Some of the custom sailmakers ie Doyle Sweden may not be aware OD sails measure differently. Development Class boats can differ in sail measurement.

Open class rules / OD rules can also have differences in mast etc.

12. Date of next meeting - 12,13,14 March?

The next EC Skype meeting will be Tuesday March 12, 2019 8pm UK London time.