



## Racing Committee: Notes of meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> January 2018

### Attendees:

Barry Wyatt(pp Tim O'Brien)      Dave Philpott      Ian Rawet  
Jonathan Rickels                      Mark Rushton      Neil Klabe  
Neil Washington

### Apologies:

Catherine Joce                              David McNamee      Joe Constable  
Tim O'Brien

- 1) **Turnout:** Dave Philpott reported that when the weather allowed the number of sailors taking part in the winter series was higher this year when compared with last year. In particular there has been an upsurge in the slow handicap single handed start with a number of members introducing Solos to the fleet.
  
- 2) **Racing format** for February, March and April:
  - a) **Frostbite Sunday series a.m.**
    - i) three races, six starts, back to back in February together with two a.m. races in March and April.
    - ii) First start 11h00.
    - iii) Three minute start sequence with two minute intervals i.e. start one (D Zero) is numeral 3, start two (FF15) is numeral 5 etc.
    - iv) The Catamaran start will continue to be all Catamaran classes. A different colour for the sign on sheets between the asymmetric and non-asymmetric is to be re-introduced.
    - v) There will not be a separate short course for the slow handicap fleet although a special course for pathway racing is likely to be necessary at some stage late in the series.
    - vi) A review of the S.I. for the condensed starting sequence is required to improve clarification.
    - vii) Sprint icicle on 25<sup>th</sup> March. Normally, the Sprint 15 use the first start which would increase the number of starts to 7. The D Zero fleet offered to sail off another start if this would be of help to make the event more manageable.
    - viii) The recent upsurge in participants for slow handicap racing is placing pressure on Race Officers to provide adequate courses commiserate with waiting times between races. To be reviewed at the next meeting.
  - b) **Frostbite Sunday p.m.**
    - i) two races, three starts, back to back in March and April.
    - ii) First start 14h00.
    - iii) Three minute start sequence with two minute intervals i.e. start one is numeral 3, start two is numeral 5 etc.
    - iv) A review of the S.I. for the condensed starting sequence is required.



- c) **Wednesday evening**
  - i) begins in April repeating last year's S.I. with three starts at three minute intervals.
  - ii) A three minute starting sequence to be used with the first start on numeral 3.
  
- 3) **Promoting racing** and the racing format during Sunday afternoons in the Summer of 2018 will be consider once the survey result is available.
- 4) **Race Committee:**
  - a) electronic aids: the original supplier has failed to deliver and in house development is progressing.
  - b) Use of the video recorder: ongoing
  
- 5) **Dates of next meeting:** 18<sup>th</sup> March 2018, 20<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2018

Ian Rawet,  
Chair