

*Saint Croix Sailing Club*  
*2010 Race Committee Meeting Minutes*

February 24, 2010

Barker's Bar & Grill, Hudson, WI

In attendance: Jon Morris, Patrick O'Donnell, Dave Brower, John Larson, Gary LeMay, Rick Hughes, Tom Vandervoort, Gary Oster

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM
2. Wind minimums and severe weather was discussed. The committee agreed that Patrick is doing an outstanding job running races. The committee encouraged Patrick to continue to use his discretion in postponing and/or abandoning a race if conditions are such that the race is not a fair contest. Severe weather was discussed at length; no conclusion on dealing with severe weather was drawn but the race committee will explore possible shore postponement procedures.
3. Make up races. The committee agreed that only races that count towards yacht of the year will be attempted to be made up. Four make-up races are on the schedule; any yacht-of-the-year race missed will be made up on the next scheduled make-up date not sooner than 8 days from the missed race date.
4. Arbitration and protests. As opposed to scheduled arbitration sessions as in past years the race committee agreed that arbitration and/or protest hearings would be conducted as soon as possible after the trigger event. The committee also agreed that in the interest of education, arbitration sessions would be open to observers.
5. Courses. Reducing the number of courses used was discussed. The committee agreed to keep all courses from 2009 as options but Patrick was encouraged to favor W/L courses.
6. Sailing Instructions. The 2009 SIs were reviewed and changes to simplify and/or better align the club's SIs with the RRS were discussed and approved. Jon Morris will make the changes and submit the updated SIs to the committee for final review and approval.
7. The committee agreed to offer a no-spinnaker division for regular racing this year. 5 boats must register as non-spinnaker to activate this division.
8. Trophies. There was a brief discussion on trophies. Acquiring additional traveling trophies will be explored.
9. Spring education/seminar. Suggestions/ideas for topics and/or presenters for the spring education session are needed.
10. Other. Dave Brower commented that due to the low number of Division 1 boats a division realignment may be needed.
11. The meeting was adjourned at 8:42

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