

**Ontario Sailing
Race Management Committee
Minutes of March 21, 2011 Meeting**

Present:

- Graham Dougall
- Mark Searle
- David Sprague
- Ross Cameron
- Bill Visser
- John Weakley
- David Searle (Chair and Scribe)

Regrets:

- Irene McNeill

Absent:

- Pat Lymburner
- Jake Starr
- Don MacIntyre

Meeting was called to order at 1835

1. OSA RM Seminars for 2011

- a. Five seminars remain on the schedule
 - i. BS&BS: 10 attendees
 - ii. NSC: 7
 - iii. TS&CC: 5
 - iv. KYC: 5
 - v. NYC: 0
- b. While attendance numbers at the two Toronto seminars currently appear light, the expectation is that more registrations will come in shortly. The committee agreed to monitor registrations for the two Toronto seminars and collapse them into one if necessary. Action: D Searle to monitor registration numbers and update committee
- c. It was agreed that we should attempt whenever possible to minimize course materials shipping costs by consolidating shipments to seminars in one city within a short timeframe.

2. Updates to ARO/CRO RM Seminar

- a. Ross updated the ARO slides in response to feedback from the two seminars at which it has been presented
- b. Ross encouraged us to provide him with feedback immediately after each

presentation this spring so that he might further update the slides.

Action: All to send Ross feedback and suggestions soonest.

- c. It was agreed that after the final updates to the presentation, we would forward it to the CYA RMSC for their comments. Action: D Searle

3. Other Business

- a. There will be a Judges Training seminar April 16 at Port Credit Yacht Club. Club Judge certification is a prerequisite for NRO/SNRO certifications. (DS note: taking the Judge course itself is not a prerequisite, any race management training will meet the training requirement. However, passing the test is a requirement. It can be challenged)

- b. D Searle presented three topics he asked the committee to consider over the summer:

- i. Future direction of the OSA RMC: Are we happy with what we are doing, or are there other areas in which we might contribute within our mandate?
- ii. Terms of Reference/committee make-up
- iii. Certification requirements

The latter two documents were addressed this year, but might benefit from review based on our experience this year

- c. It was suggested that the committee would benefit from a face-to-face meeting this summer and CORK was agreed upon as a time when most of us will be in one place for a meeting and supper. Friday, August 19 is a definite possibility. Action: All. Please indicate to D Searle soonest whether you will be attending CORK International/OCR this summer. D Searle to follow up.
- d. In an effort to save on communications costs, it was suggested that we might migrate to Skype as a platform to hold our meetings. Action: All, please send your Skype address. (DS note: CYA has tried Skype for their Board meetings, with mixed results. DS will investigate other options as well)

4. Next Meeting: April 18, 2011 at 1830

5. Adjournment: 1910