

RMC Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2022

Roll Call

Present: Charley Rathkoph, Tom Duggan, Lynn Lynch, Mary Ellen DeFrais, Becky Ashburn, Jeff Johnson, Taran Teague, Wayne Coulon, Jerry Thompson, Bill Stump and Matt Hill
Absent: Chris Luppens

Approval of Minutes June 21, 2022

Chair Update - Taran Teague

Wrap up at US Sailing for 2022- Thank you all for serving in Race Management over this past year.

Join the RC Team published and available !

First Edition of the RMC Setting the Course came out July 2022. The Newsletter will be published every 2 months. We look forward to each member of the RMC and the AROs to submit articles.

RM Seminars are scheduled and underway for the Fall.

We reviewed the RRO and NRO certifications expiring 12/31/22.

US Sailing - Matt Hill

IRO seminar is scheduled for Sept. 23rd weekend in Long Beach, CA. We have 15 attendees. John Paris and Ricard Novardo will instruct.

St. Petersburg Trophy - Bill Stump

The application period is open through October 31 for the St. Petersburg Trophy for Race Management Excellence. We have 6 applications so far to date. Congratulations again to Cleveland YC for winning the Trophy in 2021.

Race Officer Training & Certification

Jeff Johnson and Becky Ashburn

The NEWARMS is scheduled to be rolled out in November for those who need the seminar this year. Instructors will be Jeff Johnson, Becky Ashburn, Bill Stump and Mark Townson. Bill Stump stated the seminar has a different look, pleasant and lively! The content will be popular on line, as well as in person.

There will be a session on Train the Trainers - To be scheduled. We all look forward to the product being rolled out.

Many thanks to Becky Ashburn and Jeff Johnson, and ROTC for their expertise and dedication to make this happen!

RMC Setting the Course Newsletter

Jerry Thompson stated 465 newsletters were emailed out in July, of which 370 were opened. We have had a total of 1241 opens, from at least 4 countries. Thank you Jerry!

New Business:

ROT&C - Proposal to consider International Event(s) for RO certification. The two proposals were discussed.

Commitment, focus and priority for 2023 with US Sailing resources for the Race Management Handbook. The RMC and AROs discussed options for the RMH update. A small focus group will be held to discuss the format and move forward with the Educational Dept of US Sailing to make the update happen in 2023.

Executive Session

The RMC APPROVED:

Proposal #1 - to amend current US Sailing Race Officer Certification policy to accept qualifying events to include "one event served as DRO/CRO/PRO for an OA/MNA outside USA or other than US Sailing." for each level of certification".

Race Officers and POIs were reviewed and approved.

Submitted by Taran Teague December 11, 2022