

## Meeting Notes: Annual General Meeting IMXVIYRA at Arsunda Camping February 6<sup>th</sup> 2025

### Welcome and Introductions

- Bernhard welcomed everyone and introduced the people behind the table: Bernhard, Bouw van Wijk, Bastiaan (taking notes), and Tiina (joining via Google meeting).
- Special hello to Oscar Kneib, the treasurer. He mentioned that it took some time to get access to the account, but fees and finances should be smoother now.

### Financial Update

- Ulf reported that there are 45,000 Kroner in the bank, which will be transferred to the euro account (2,500 Euros). There haven't been many changes, but there are enough funds to handle unexpected expenses.

### Website Update

- Oscar has updated the website, and everyone expressed their thanks.

### Board and Committees

- The board members are: Bernhard (Sweden), Tiina (Estonia), Bouw (Holland/Poland), and Eckhardt Pagel (Germany). Juhan Kolk was proposed as a second representative for Estonia, he accepted.
- Governing Committee: Tina, Bernhard, and Bouw.
- Technical Committee: Daan Schutte, TG Kinberg, and Andrus Padu (up for re-election). Voting will be online in March for all who have paid their fee.

### Voting and Membership

- On-line-voting to be arranged regarding new rule on runner plank not later than March 31<sup>st</sup> 2025. TG emphasized the need to send out emails 3-4 weeks before voting.
- Jorit mentioned that he paid fees but was unable to vote. He suggested documenting all decisions made earlier. This will be looked into.
- Daan Schutte will send out specifications on the aluminium chocks before other votes will take place.

### Regatta Organization

- Organizing regattas is usually done per country. Poland is next year, but there is only one boat. The international committee from now on will coordinate the organization.
- Floor Lagerwey expressed interest in taking the role of PRO for the coming years. A separate committee will be set up to promote the class in all countries instead of giving for instance Poland or Germany just a lot of work. Bouw will be part and will start this up.
- Question Robert J: can Poland and or Germany reflect on the situation in their countries. Answer: Poland 3 teams, 1 active. Racing in Poland will see more coming. German representative not present.

## Annual Fees

- The annual fee was decided last year to be 30 Euros. Due to inflation and the need to have some more reserve in the bank, it will be raised to 40 Euros annually.
- Bouw suggested changing the fee structure so that those who do not participate in regattas still contribute. Bastiaan mentions we do however need to give something in return.

## Constitution and Vice-Commodore

- The constitution states the need for a Vice-Commodore. Pieter den Haan accepted the role for a period of three years.
- Pieter's goals include assisting the board, updating the constitution, and improving communication.
- Working on and updating constitution. If any ideas please let Pieter know. Draft will be made to vote on in the next meeting.
- Other point: expanding the fleet in all countries (use media?).
- Crew pays full annual fee, in constitution it is owners or part owners that can vote only. Users can be eligible to vote? Or 2 votes per sail number? It is a matter of choice that we have to think about.
- Another Goal is to improve communication as English is not first language. Forum on the website perhaps and/or earlier preparation for the annual meeting.
- Question: Torkel: how do we change the constitution? Pieter: we have to check as we currently are using a very old set of rules.
- TG: perhaps we even need a mail vote to change; Bernhard: we have to check what is possible and allowed.
- Karsten: Is the constitution available? Yes
- Can we communicate on the site that we are looking for the details of other Monotype Sailors.

## Other Discussions/remarks

- Robbert Juffermans asks about organizing storage for foreigners participating in multiple cups around Europe. Poland, Sweden, and Estonia can store trailers
- Poland had 8 days of ice and some races, Sweden had some racing over 3 weekends, and Estonia had no racing this winter so far.
- Issues Bouw: organizing uses hardware. Can we leave the materials in Sweden and get them repaired? Torkel and Fredrik will take it up for 1 year. Ulf has a list that can be updated. Medals will last another 5 years, Bouw will take them with him to make it longer.
- On the cup: The list of winners is now complete with numbers crew etc. Cup is totally refitted. Engraving will be done centrally. Wiebe thank you for all the hard work.
- The Estonian championship and Sweden's races are still to come.
- Rein asked about finding sponsors, and it was agreed that they are open to sponsorship.



- Robbert Juffermans: What did sponsors say when not giving in? Bernhard: Hard to say, perhaps bad timing. We would really like an event sponsor.
- Rein: maybe appoint 1 person? Bouw: sponsoring was event driven, now (organizing internationally) we can give back more or have an easier way in.
- Rein: we need a story to tell. Bernhard: will be taken up.
- Estonian question: max is 9 races for Europeans, can we change this to more? This will give us more days of the Europeans.
- Jorit: boats tend to leave if the EC or any other championship is over.
- Erik Wesselman: Maybe sail for just one cup only and everyone stays all the time
- TG: 7 races done by Thursday-night, cup is over. Max is 9, we could change both (number and day).
- Bouw: I like the fact that we have more cups: you can test materials or have a second chance.
- Bernhard: encourage other cups as well (Erik von Holst Cup in Estonia).
- Karsten: fixed 3 days for Europeans, 2 for other cup might be an idea?
- Finally Bernhard mentioned that the new bank account and website will help attract more people to this thrilling class.

#### Thanks

- Ton thanked the board and appreciated the new setup.
- Bernhard thanked all taking part and invited everyone over to the dinner at the Best Western Hotel
- The meeting concluded with thanks to all attendees.

Bastiaan van Nunen

Secretary at the meeting



Bernhard Rost

Commodore

