

## Minutes of Shields Fleet #10 Meeting May 4, 2019 at Beverly Yacht Club 0900

**Attendees:** Ken Deyett, Richard Robbins, Bill Berry, Graham Quinn, Dan Goodwin, Bill Moonan, Luiza Smith, Tucker Burr, Paul MacKinnon, Mark Adams, Edwin Tiffany, Igor Bashkinov

**Secretary Report:** Prior minutes have been emailed.

**Treasurer Report:** George Gardner submitted report showing as of May 1, 2019 -

Paid for 2019

Boat and Skipper	5
Member	4
Associate	3
Amount in Bank Account	\$1,495.46

(Assuming there are no expenses paid of which I am unaware)

Please pay your dues (they are due by June 1) at <http://fleet10.shieldsclass.com/paydues.php>

**Shields Class Report:** The National Class has made the following Rule changes to *Section VI 1.0*:

1. In order to agree with RSS 79 – redefined “professional” as Group 3 per World Sailing Regulation 22.
2. Skipper’s or “professional” crew’s ten races can be on any boat but “professional” helmsman must be on entered boat.
3. Ten race waiver for recent champion removed.

There are on-going issues with the new masts as to the extrusion dimensions. The National Measurer is AWOL so the mast resolution must await a new National Measurer. Paul MacKinnon is on the nominating committee to generate a slate of officers to be elected at the Chicago Nationals in September.

**Regatta Schedule:** Please sign up for local and Island-Bay races at [https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet\\_club\\_events.php?CLUB\\_ID=1026](https://www.regattanetwork.com/clubmgmt/applet_club_events.php?CLUB_ID=1026)

Note that it was agreed as a courtesy to the Race Committee that we would inform them if Shields would not have a quorum on the line for any race date. There was a discussion on a once-a-month Saturday social event.

Island-Bay Regatta June 15-16, 2019. Bill Moonan to look into hosting a party on Saturday. Hopefully 2 to 4 Edgartown boats will be joining the Regatta.

NE Championship July 6 – 7, 2019 in Newport. One idea is to trail boat to Newport and then sail her to Edgartown afterwards.

Edgartown July 12 – 13, 2019 in Edgartown.

Buzzards Bay Regatta August 3 – 4, 2019. Note that Marion will host J80, Shields, H12 and Bullseyes. Saturday party to be at BYC as part of BBR. Ed Tiffany to check if the Goodwin's duck-tank can be used during BBR to raise funds for the Shields fleet.

Nationals 2019 – Chicago September 19 – 22, 2019 (Friday to Sunday racing). There is financial incentive from the National Class of \$325 if towing your boat. There also is a program to support Twenty-Something sailors (under thirty years) where entry fee is paid by the Class. Ed Tiffany looking into whether BYC will also provide some support. Note the team must get in ten races to qualify.

Nationals 2020 – Oxford, MD

Nationals 2021 There are bids being evaluated from Larchmont (2014 last hosted) and Newport (2015 last hosted). This will be decided on May 14 at Governing Board meeting. Larchmont also wants 2024 (60<sup>th</sup> anniversary). Suggestion made that we support Larchmont for 2021 and Newport in 2022. Fleet #10 would consider putting in a bid for 2023.

Ocean Great Lakes Challenge – 2020 It was agreed that Marion would propose to the Class to host this event June 26 -28, 2020. Ed Tiffany to schedule this with BYC and Richard Robbins to present it to the Class Governing Board. The format would be 8 to 10 boats would be made available. Every Fleet would be entitled to one random boat and other boats would be drawn for those who volunteered their boat. No one would sail their own boat. Fleet #10 local champion to be determined by the results of BBR – 2019. Visitors would bring their crew and sails.

**OGLC (champion) and Nationals (right to borrow boat)** For 2020 this would be determined by the winner of BBR rather than July Thursday.

**Sail Measurement** – May 25, 2019 0900 at Harding Sails.

Please sign up for PRO duty at

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1qZ1Su79obq1mAkFwbzbdC0N4vJOG0vXwB-eez39dTtM/edit#gid=0>

### **Other Discussion**

- Shields 205 and 220 have left the area. Shields 66 is likely up for sale. The suggestion was to inform BYC members of available boats to try and keep them locally owned. Shields 2 may be racing.
- The use of a carbon fiber pole was discussed and Dan Goodwin showed a sample. It was agreed that it makes sense but would likely never be adopted.
- Use of the small spinnaker is approved for fleet races only (not regattas)
- Fall Racing. A great time to introduce the Shield to new potential Sailors. Keep the fleet active and to share crew and skippers on other boat. Let's co-mingle.