

Comité International du Vaurien**2011 CIV Winter Meeting****Paris, Sunday the 4th of December 2011****Minutes of Meeting**

The Meeting opens at 10:00.

List of presents and e- mail addresses: see-attached sheets.

Agenda: see appended sheet

1 Opening, President's Communication

The President welcomes the presents and the List of Presents is circulated: all present sign and check the e-mail addresses. Spain sent an email apologizing for not being present.

Elections

The President reminds that the 2012 Winter Meeting will involve elections for the renewal of many functions, and invite the CIV members to consider and propose new administrators.

Also the President will have to be elected.

Gianpiero Saggini announces his wish of not to being re-elected.

Addresses

The Communication with the associations is difficult for lack of updated e-mails.

Each ASV must notify to the President Office's e-mail addresses of at least 2 persons (normally the President and Secretary), together with telephone and fax(optional) numbers, so that periodical checks for updated addresses can be done.

2 Minutes of Lembruch summer meeting

The minutes are approved unanimously.

3 Finance – Treasurer's Accounts - Promotion

The Treasurer reads the report on the financial year 2010. The synthesis of accounts sheet:

Income	€ 1443, 00
Expenses	€ 1950, 69
Fortune	€ 905, 79
Total Balance =	€ 498, 10

Outstanding (2010- 2011) € 1800, 00

The Treasurer stresses the fact that the total balance is positive but could be better because a few country members such as The Netherlands, France and Spain didn't pay the fee for 2011 nor 2010. G. Bouma from The Netherlands observes that there has been a miscommunication caused by the recent change in their board and he is going to clarify it.

The President remarks that in the current situation it is impossible to invest and promote the class because of lack of funding. Deducting what shall be paid as fixed costs (ISAF, Website, Vaurien.org, Meeting costs, and minimal expenses), there are no resources for promotion.

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As what was made for helping the presence in Uruguay, extraordinary contributions may be required, but we need a stable and structural solution.

The President estimates that the average fee per person that each nation pays to the CIV is 2,5 €/year and proposes to increase it.

Because the number of members in each nation is unknown, there is a need to proceed immediately to take a census, which is also need for a possible class insurance (see below).

Each ASV shall fill out a simple form (as attempted in 2006) and send it to the President Office no later than the 31.01.2012

The census refers to all members having the license of the National Sailing Federation, so even the boys of the sailing schools. Those who are not officers or competitors but that are supporters of the Class, should also be added.

The President proposes issuing an IVCA card for each member of every nation.

With these arguments the CIV enters into the problem of modern communication.

The Treasurer defends in depth the problem with this idea: we need an "emotional" communication to talk to youngs by their own means

Some ideas have been expressed: Site dynamic, presence on social networks, personality known as the face, the Vaurien used by some advertising agency are looking for a drift sailing ...

ASV Italy proposes for the class to be attractive to the Youngs to advertise it as "sexy".

The President notes that the proposals emerged in the CT (see below) should be used for publicity purposes as soon as possible. It is necessary to keep the attention on the class that must appear dynamic and willing to experiment with the most current techniques always in the spirit of simplicity and low cost. Ways for increasing the finances and promoting the class will be discussed later on, via web.

The 60° anniversary and the world championship in Douarnenez would be a great opportunity for the class to be present on the media and for instance to invite the ISAF President.

4 2012 World Championship in Douarnenez - France

The 2012 World Championship will be organized in Douarnenez by the Société de Régates de Douarnenez on 14-21 July 2012. ASV France presents the preliminary Notice of Race and asks the presents to read it and return any comment by the 31/12/2011. The ASV France President stresses the importance to book accommodation well in advance because there are many important events programmed at the same date in the area. There are already many requests for charter boats.

ASV France asks ASV Italy to ask Faccenda shipbuilder about the subject. During the rest day there will be a "classic" Vaurien meeting.

5 2012 International regattas

ASV France confirms the organization of the international regatta "Trophée Virginio Bruni Tedeschi" at Cavalière – Le Lavandou during 2012 Easter weekend (7-8-9 April). Crews from Italy, Germany, Holland and Spain have confirmed their presence.



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6 Future World Championships

2013 – Spain. Spain sent an e-mail confirming the organization of the World Championship in Sanxenxo.

To make the event more attractive they propose organizing a Team Sailing World Championship, maybe in the rest day. CIV Secretary observes that for a team sailing world title to be endorsed by ISAF the Class needs to demonstrate that team sailing is done usually. Also, for a world title to be valid a minimum number of participating countries it is required.

The President asks every member country to organize team sailing regattas in 2012.

Only thereafter the Class could apply for a 2013 team world title to ISAF

2014 – Czeck Republic – not present at the meeting – just after the meeting the President received an e-mail apologizing for not being able to organize the regatta, due to withdrawal of sponsor and change in Club management.

ASV Italy was informed and confirms they are able to organize the 2014 World Championship in Marina di Grosseto

Applications

2015 – request from Holland

2016 – requests from Portugal and Tunisia

7 Europa Cup

2011 Europa cup ranking has been prepared and is presented. Few regattas are missing or are incorrect. This is mainly because of lack of a Europa Cup official calendar.

Each member nation is allowed to organize 2 Europa Cup events. Date and venue shall be communicated to the President Office by the end of January 2012.

The international regatta “Trophée Virginio Bruni Tedeschi” is valid for the Europa cup as special event by CIV in addition to the 2 events granted to France.

A unique document comprising all the rules for the Europa Cup is missing because the rules have been decided in various winter meetings and never been gathered in one single document. The CIV Secretary has joined the Europa Cup rules within the CIV Cups rule document

(see attachment).

8 Technical points – CT meeting

TC Chairman reports about the CT meeting held on Saturday. Apart more technical aspects that are detailed in the attached minute, three subjects are discussed.

ASV Germany proposes some long term developments to be investigated.

One proposal is allowing the use of Mylar sails to keep the class attractive for the youth.

The CIV authorize Germany to make some tests and relate about them as soon as results are available.

Another proposal is allowing the use of epoxy resin for laminating hulls.

CIV authorize Germany to investigate about costs and performance differences.

ASV Italy proposes to allow the use of 2 piece masts.

CIV authorize Italy to investigate and test a 2 piece mast in Italian regattas.



9 International insurance

The President reports about the problems of international reliability of insurances.

ISAF is long time looking at the possibility of an international convention with insurance companies. Today no deal has been concluded.

The Italian Optimist Association has a contract with an Italian Company with territorial extension to the whole of Europe.

The 420 Association Italy had a contract with another Italian Company.

The IKA Class has a worldwide contract with a German Company

For tax problems, CIV, which is based in France, could make an international contract with a French insurance company or another based abroad but present in France.

It is clear that for a general contract, the boat must be identified (this is not a problem using the plaque ISAF) as well as the association members.

In this case any Vaurienist insured, of any nation, should have a card of IVCA CIV.

The maximum financial coverage should be the standard Max € 2,500,000 but the fee should be competitive (at least less than 60 €/year).

The CIV Secretary contacted the German Company Sudwestring that currently has a special worldwide valid deal with IKA class. A quotation has been obtained but it is not convenient for the Vaurien Class.

All the concerned parties will continue searching for an international solution.

10 Rectification of Magazine article

An amendment has been prepared rectifying what has been mistakenly written on the Italian magazine "Bolina" about the design of the new sail plan. The amendment will be published on vaurien.org website.

(see attachment)

11 Winter meeting date change proposal

ASV Spain proposal to change the date of the winter meeting is rejected as non-convenient to the majority.

12 Class flag

ASV France presents a new flag. All presents like it. The new flag will fly on the signal posts at World Championship. The old flag will be shown on a ground standing pole only.

Any other business – no points being submitted, the President thanks Florence Herbulot for the warm welcome and closes the meeting at 17:00.

