

**JSCA SAFETY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
October 19, 2005**

Present: Stephen Chessor, Chair, Andrei Bredin, Gail Owen, Adrian Lee, Mike Cotter, General Manager
Regrets: Ray Douthwaite

1. Approval of Previous Minutes
September 12, 2005. Carried

2. Boats

Hurricane

Deficiency list for winter refit includes: prop repairs, light mast repair, trailer hitch assembly replaced, starboard nav light bulb replaced, GPS repaired, hull repair, steering repair, auto float switch on bilge repair, replace beaching shoe with stainless unit, repair fuel guage, replace tow rope bag, check for possible relief valve leaks, replace throttle/transmission assembly, add boat cover and compass.

Correct launch procedure must be followed by all rescue team members and staff- boats are NOT to be unhooked from their trailer prior to the trailer wheels touching the water.

Marks Boat

Deficiency list for winter refit includes: starboard side transom must be re-welded and extra gussets should be installed.

Albatross

Deficiency list for winter refit includes: hatch seals need to be replaced, steering needs to be replaced (We will seek 3 competing quotes/solutions), radio has transmitting problems while the boat is under way. A complete deficiency list will be compiled once the boat is in drydock.

Zodiac

No problems noted.

3. Jericho Rescue Team Levels

After some discussion the committee recommended that:

Adrian Lee be elevated to a Level IV; Michael Souster be elevated to a Level III; and that the General Manager review correct launching procedures with other members of the Rescue Team.

4. Other Business

Rescue Team Training

Discussion of the Hurricane Pre-launch checklist. No amendments at this time. All Rescue Team members and staff must follow the pre-launch procedure. The same checklist will apply to the Marks Boat for next season. If one of our boats is not operational there must be a Lock Out-Tag Out procedure.

2005 Jericho Rescue Team Program Review

Rescues increased dramatically from 184 in 2004 to 296 in 2005. This in part reflects a significant increase in facility use but is a concern with respect to members practicing proper safety techniques. More focus on safety and member education is required. We had a large increase in boat hours on the water, events covered and Rescue Team member participation.

Jericho Rescue Engine Replacement

More research is required before replacing the current Hurricane engine.

Motion:

“That we table the motion to purchase the Hurricane replacement motor pending further review.”

Carried

Albatross Pullout

The annual Albatross pullout is scheduled for November 5. If it is required for the Kits Bluenose Regatta on Nov. 5 & 6 the pullout will occur on Nov. 19.

Jericho Rescue Team Winter Training Program

The concept of a winter training program for rescue team members was discussed. Boats that are being used during the off season are likely to be more prepared and functional when needed. The boats do require some downtime for their annual refit. Rescue team members are invited to come out on January 1 for the annual Polar Bear launch.

5. Adjournment.

Next Meeting Tuesday, November 22 @ 1900H