

JSCA Safety Committee

Draft Meeting Minutes

November 24, 2015

Present: Benoit Sonrel, Mark Daigle, Lou Parsons, Paul Botkin, MaximeLaurant, Casper Russ, Mike Cotter, GM.

Regrets: Andrei Bredin

1. Election of Safety Chair

Mark Daigle nominated BenoitSonrel, seconded by Lou Parsons
Benoit Sonrelwas acclaimed as Chair.

2. Jericho Craft Refit

Discussion of annual Jericho craft refits: Titan has had its annual engine servicing, no other work contemplated at this time; Albatross has been removed from her mooring, is drying out in the hanger and being assessed for refit repairs. Jericho Marks will go in for annual engine servicing early in the New Year.

Discussion of the Hurricane refit included assessment of the 3 boat Jericho Rescue Team program over the past 2 summers. Three boats has allowed us to better support multiple programs while carrying out routine duties as well as attract and train more new volunteers. However, the Hurricane likely has only 3-5 years of service left as a first class rescue boat. After that major work will be required to keep it in acceptable condition. Currently, we are getting quotes for transom repairs. The Committee will start planning for replacement in the next 3-5 years.

3. Jericho Rescue Team Review

The Committee reviewed staff recommendations for elevating the Level of several active Jericho Rescue Team members.

MOTION:

"To approve the staff recommendations for Jericho Rescue Team Level promotions."

Carried (Lou, Paul and Maxime abstained as they were included in the promotions)

4. 2016 Safety/Boat Budget

MOTION: "To approve the budget amended to include \$5,000 for Hurricane transom repair."

.....5. Other Business

Windsock – the committee discussed locating a windsock at the Jericho Sailing Centre to assist in estimating wind strength.

Ongoing first aid training – Paul volunteered to instruct first aid training sessions focussing on suspect spinal injuries commencing in the New Year.-

Safety Leash Usage–At the beginning of the training season in the spring the JSCA will reinforce message to all engine operators in the vicinity of the Jericho Sailing Centre that safety leash (kill cord) use is mandatory for any Jericho based program.

Qualification of Jericho Rescue Team Candidates-the Jericho Rescue Team program is not a beginner or novice program-strong “sea legs” are required. Participants will be pre-screened, prior to selection for the Training Course, as well as during the course, to ensure that they have enough experience, ability and confidence to ensure their own safety, as well as that of their fellow rescue team members and those who they are bound to rescue.

6. Adjournment