



Racing Association Catamaran Events Switzerland

Minutes of the Ordinary General Assembly

Held on 15 April 2018 at 9:00 in Spiez

The General Assembly commences at 9:00 by his secretary Carolina Metaxas (the president Vinzenz Burgherr apologizes for not being present). The assembly is counting 12 adult active members. Therefore, it can proceed in accordance with the status. Carolina greets and thanks the 18 junior members who are also taking part in the assembly.

1. Nomination of the scrutineers

Félix Grobet and Loïc Janet volunteer and are unanimously appointed.

2. Approval of the minutes of the 2017 OGA

The minutes of the 2017 Ordinary General Assembly are unanimously approved.

3. President's report for 2017

As in previous years, the committee has again been able to organize regattas in all language areas all over Switzerland. Each of them have been well attended with a slight increase of participants. It is to notice that we have had more than 50 registered boats for the regatta in Geneva in October 2017, a record.

The committee has completed the fusion with the association AM3. The fusion has officially been effective as of the 1st of January 2018. As of today, 2018 will be a year of transition for all AM3 members. They will still have their proper regatta agenda and M3 Championship and will be treated like a section.

Special thanks go to 3 persons who have helped the committee in a great manner. First Simon Wohlers who has contributed a lot for communication, Mathieu Meyer who performed a lot of work for the well-made videos and flyers and finally Guillaume Labérenne who has achieved the measurements of boats without charging anything.

Behind the 5 regattas of the Championship, two points are to underline. First, the expansion

of the activities in the German speaking part of Switzerland continued: RACES was present during the Windweek in Brunnen and also at the SUI Sailing junior camps in Romanshorn earlier in 2018. Then, with regard to the SUI Sailing file, the committee's intention was to proceed further to become an ordinary member as an association as the statutes of SUI Sailing provides this. RACES is not about a class, RACES is a hub of classes.

4. Treasurer's report for 2017

An exceptional expense has been made this year: RACES has bought scales for measurements. Ordinary expenditures were due to stamps, award for the end of the Championship, anchor cartridge, etc.

The members of the association have all paid their contribution. RACES thanks the VLM for its donation (1'000 CHF) and also H2O Sensation who renewed its sponsorship for the next three years. We still wait on the AM3 for their transfer due to the fusion.

The association has no debts, the current account is positive with 4'400 CHF.

5. Auditors' report of the 2017 accounts

Jean-Richard Minardi and Mathieu Meyer have reviewed the account and confirm they are correct.

6. Sections' report

- Topaz 14 (Clara Talabardon for Carolina Talabardon): eight crews were present during the last regatta of the 2017 Championship! The Topaz 14 is a great springboard for the Nacra 15 and the F16 and we can see that more and more clubs are buying this support. Also a new generation is coming from the CNBC, VLM and YCG.
- Nacra 15 (Mikael Wallenberg): excellent results with Max Wallenberg and Amanda Bjork-Anastassov as they won the title of World Champions in China! Moreover, new boats will arrive soon in several clubs; section appointments has to be followed.
- F16 (Aurore Kerr): there was an increase number in F16 members (31 people). During all the regattas of the 2017 Championship, there was at least 10 boats, a great point. The major event of 2017 was the F16 European Championships organised by the VLM. Two Swiss crews finished in the top 10! In 2018, the National F16 will take place at the Trophée des Rentes Genevoises in Geneva. A training session could be organised the week before Ascona : Andi offered to come with Mitch Booth for a week of training.
- F18 (Jean-Richard Minardi): the section is expanding again. Indeed, three boats would like to take part in the World championships in Florida and some other crews are interested in the St Barth Cata-Cup.
- Nacra 20 (Patrick Hausermann)

7. Approval of the 2017 report and ratification of members of the committee's actions

The report is unanimously approved and all acts of the members of the committee are approved and ratified.

8. Adaptation to the committee structure

As the association is growing, we need help within the committee. RACES needs two additional members in the committee: a Vice President and a Technical Advisor. A mail will be sent soon to open these two new positions.

9. President's appointment for 2018

Vinzenz Burgherr represents himself. He is unanimously appointed.

10. Committee's appointment for 2017

Arthur Pottier represents himself. He is unanimously appointed as Treasurer.

Carolina Metaxas represents herself. She is unanimously appointed as Secretary.

11. Presidents section's appointment for 2018

Carolina Talabardon (Topaz 14), Aurore Kerr (F16), Jean-Richard Minardi (F18) and Patrick Hausermann (F20) are unanimously appointed as sections managers. For the Nacra 15, Nicolas Grange might be interested.

12. Auditor's appointment for 2018

Marine Van Campenhoudt and Laurent Bollondi are unanimously appointed as auditors.

13. Budget and contributions for 2018

The contributions change: it will be 20 CHF for the Topaz 14, Nacra 15 and CJ. All other members (belonging to the class C0, C1 and C2) will have to pay 50 CHF.

The fusion was a great opportunity to change RACES' logo. It is under development. An expense is planned to pay the graphic designer and then, as we go along, we will have to adapt the different visuals to adjust with the new logo.

14. Information about events of 2018 and 2019

2018: a new regatta is in the 2018 Championship: the Rietli Cat Battle in Goldach (St. Gallen). On the one hand, there will be the first National Nacra 15 which will take place at the Yacht Club de Genève. On the other hand, the National F16 will take place at the Trophée des Rentes Genevoises.

2019: there will be a Nacra 15 European championship on the Lake of Geneva. At the moment, no further information can be given.

15. Questions

No questions.

As all the point of the agenda have been discussed of, Carolina Metaxas closes the assembly at 9:47.