Canadian Wayfarer Association Executive Committee Meeting

Saturday, 20 October 2018, 10:00 am

37 Meadowcrest Dr., Toronto

In attendance: Alastair Ryder-turner, Anne Pugh, Kit Wallace, Scott Ramsay; Via skype: Alan Asselstine, Sue Pilling, Steph Romaniuk, Rob Wierdsma

Regrets: Al Schonborn, Jan d'Ailly, Mike Codd, Dave Hansman, Leo Van Kampen

1. Approval of the agenda:

- Add discussion of AGM date
- Discussion about regatta and rally dates
- 2019 Worlds generating interest
- membership solicitation
- motion to approve (Kit, seconded by Sue): carried

2. Minutes of the meeting of 21 April 2018

• motion to approve (Steph, seconded by Scott): carried

5a. 2019 Events Calendar (discussed early to accommodate Alan's availability)

- Any plans will need to avoid the Worlds and the International Rally in Ireland in July
- North American Rally: are 10 17 August at Killbear;
 - there was some discussion prior to the meeting of organizing a regatta in Parry Sound on the weekend, either before or after the rally;
 - There was some discussion of the format of the regatta, including the possibility of a long-distance race;
 - The final plans will depend on the availability of support from Sail Parry Sound;
 - CWA is hosting the North American Championships in 2019; attaching the regatta to the Killbear rally might be a way to get better attendance at the regatta from the USWA fleet;
 - Attendance projections will determine the willingness/ability of SPS to host, so there was further discussion of pairing with another fleet: to be explored;
 - Once dates for the regatta have been settled, then Alan will poll rally attendees for their interest sailing in the regatta;
 - [Action: Sue will communicate with SPS at their next board meeting and will report back at the next ExComm meeting]
 - Alan left the meeting at this point;

3. Financial Report

- In Mike Codd's absence there was no financial report;
- Kit reported that there was \$116 in paypal and \$40 cheque, mostly from early 2019 renewals;
- Steph reported that he had received \$500 from advertisers this year;
 - he has followed up with two that had pledged support but not paid yet;
 - another previous advertiser has declined to continue;

- there was discussion of other possible advertisers to approach, and to consider requesting inkind support;
- Rob suggested that providing website stats to prospective advertisers might help convince them of the value
- [Action: Steph will provide his boilerplate language to Anne who ill follow up with a couple of possible advertisers]

4. Membership

- Kit reported that we have 58 members, including 14 honorary members;
- *Calendars:* There was some discussion of the number of calendars to print; based on membership number 60 seems a reasonable number; additional can be produced if necessary;
- *Membership Solicitation Cards:* Kit reported that he was not aware of any new members that came from the cards; there are surplus cards that can be distributed next year;
- Membership Survey: discussion tabled to the next meeting;

5b. Events Calendar

- There was some preliminary discussion of desirable items for 2019:
 - Pumpkin moving back to October;
 - MSC considering refinements to the W/CL regatta and the Moe Fraser;
 - Avoidance of conflicts between events where possible;
 - Dates and venues for the Canadians and Ontarios will need to be set:
 - Partnership with other fleets (e.g., Albacores) on shared events;
 - Keeping the format for the Warm Water Regatta, i.e., one day of training and one day of racing;
 - [Action: Rob will contact the American Ws to discuss coordination of events]
- 2019 World Championship Regatta and International Rally
 - Kit reported that in discussions he has had with Monica Schaeffer, organization of a full
 rally has been too much to manage on top of the regatta; she is proposing a couple of days
 of cruising on the tail end of the regatta;
 - There is already some interest from a number of CWA members to sail in the Worlds and purchase boats; Hartley and NP have proposed discounts for boats bought at the regatta, and then the possibility of coordinating a shipment to Canada;
 - [ACTION: Scott will draft and email for Kit to circulate to the membership and form a discussion group for interested participants]
- AGM & Banquet
 - There was some discussion of shifting the date to March or April, and considering what additional events that might people to Toronto (e.g. MSC sailors' gathering);
 - Possible date include the 23rd or 30th of March, or 6th or 13th of April;
 - Further discussion at the next meeting;

6. Other Business

- None.
- 7. Next meeting: tentatively 24 November contingent on people's availability;

Meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm (moved Anne, seconded by Sue);