

Match Racing Sub-Committee Minutes



The Match Racing Sub-Committee met at 09:30 – 13:30 hrs on Monday 29 October 2018 at the Hyatt Regency, Sarasota, Florida, USA

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SP = Supporting Paper

CM = Paper circulated to Committee Members only

Present:	In Attendance:
Elizabeth Baylis (USA) – Chairman	Pedro Rodrigues – Events Manager
Michael Röllich (FIN) – Vice-Chairman	
Yana Dobzhitskaya (RUS)	Apologies:
Sungchul Jeong (KOR)	Russell Green (NZL)
Michael O'Connor (IRL)	

1. Opening of the Meeting

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting, including observers.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

(a) Minutes

The minutes of the Match Racing Committee meeting of 6 November 2017 (circulated and approved after the meeting) were noted and approved. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings

(b) Matters Arising

There were no matters arising not covered elsewhere on the agenda.

3. 2018 Women's Match Racing World Championship

Reports from the World Sailing Technical Delegate (Annika Ekman (SWE)), the event organizers (presented by Yana Dobzhitskaya (RUS) and MRSC Chair, Liz Baylis (USA) were received. The event was well run event in Ekaterinburg, Russia with eleven (11) teams from six (6) MNAs and won by Lucy Macgregor (GBR).

4. 2018 Youth Match Racing World Championship

Reports from the World Sailing Technical Delegate (Michael O'Connor (IRL)) and from the event organizers (presented by Camilla Baruzzi (ITA)) were received. The event was well run in Ledro, Italy with twelve (12) teams representing eleven (11) MNAs and won by Ettore Botticini (ITA).

Noted that communicating/promoting the event and late officials appointments can be improved. A meeting with World Sailing Communications & Digital Manager initiated plans to secure the international distribution of material to build the World Sailing brand in the 2019 events.

5. 2018 Blind Match Racing World Championship

A report from the World Sailing Technical Delegate (Liz Baylis (USA)) was received. The event and a pre-event clinic were well run in Helensburgh, Scotland, GBR with five (5) teams representing four (4) MNAs and won by Sharon Grennan (GBR).

6. 2019 Women's Match Racing World Championship

A progress report from the World Sailing Event Manager was received. Contract to be signed soon, followed by the NOR and race officials' appointments. The event will be held in Lysekil, Sweden August 5-10, 2019 in Fareast 28R boats.

7. 2019 Youth Match Racing World Championship

A progress report from the World Sailing Event Manager was received. Contract to be signed soon, followed by the NOR and race officials' appointments. The event will be held in Ekaterinburg, Russia August 12-17, 2019 in Ricochet-747 boats.

Special attention was made to the need to secure visas for sailors and race officials as early as possible. It is planned to run a Match Racing Clinic including the services of a Coach At Large during the event with the support of the WS Trust.

8. 2019 World Sailing Nations Cup

A report from the Nations Cup Working Party (presented by Michael O'Connor (IRL)) on the 2019 Nations Cup and future editions was received. The 2019 event will be held in San Francisco, USA April 9-14, 2019 with ten (10) teams in each of the open and women's divisions in J/22s.

9. 2020 World Sailing Match Racing Events

A progress report from the Chairman and World Sailing Event Manager on the progress for 2020 events was received. Contracts are still in negotiation for the 2020 YMRWC and the 2020 WMRWC.

10. 2021-22 World Sailing Match Racing Events

Bidding process for 2021-22 events to start soon with hosts to be recommended to the Board in April. Bid Evaluation Panels to be chaired by Elizabeth Baylis for the Women and Michael Röllich for the Youth.

11. World Match Racing Tour

A report from the World Match Racing Tour representative, Mattias Dahlstrom (SWE) was received. The MRSC learned that the WMRT will change ownership in late 2018.

12. Match Racing Gradings and Rankings

A report from the Chairman of the Match Race Rankings Working Group was received. The introduction of a Youth Match Racing Ranking is being explored.

13. Race Officials

A report from the Event Appointments Working Party Chairman, Barry Johnson (AUS), on the appointments of race officials was received. Late appointment of officials and gender equality were discussed.

14. Submissions

Please refer to the 2018 Submissions details of all submissions available online at www.sailing.org/meetings

- (a) To consider and make a recommendation to the Events Committee on the following submissions:
 - i) Submission 048-18 – World Sailing Regulations – Nationality Requirements for Match Racing Events – regulation 19.8
Approved.
- (b) To make recommendations on any other submissions
 - i) Submission 161-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – New Rule C2.15
 - ii) Submission 182-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – Rule C2.2 and MR Call K5
 - iii) Submission 183-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – Rules C2.10(a), D1.1(d)(1), F20.4(a)
 - iv) Submission 184-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – Rule C3.1
 - v) Submission 185-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – Rule C6.3
 - vi) Submission 186-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing - Rules C6.5, C7.2(f) & MR Call M11
 - vii) Submission 187-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – New Rule C7.2(g)
 - viii) Submission 188-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – New Rule C10.7
 - ix) Submission 205-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – MR Call D6
 - x) Submission 206-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – MR Call G5
 - xi) Submission 207-18 – Racing Rules of Sailing – MR Call G7

The recommendation is to approve all submissions.

15. Reports from Working Groups

- (a) Reports from the following working parties were received:
 - i) Women's Match Racing
 - ii) Match Racing Rules
 - iii) Youth Match Racing
 - iv) Race Management and Organization
- (b) To make any recommendations to Council

16. Any Other Business

Paul Deacon, World Sailing IT Project Manager, presented the IT project to be implemented throughout 2019.