



## **Minutes of the Special Meeting of the First Coast Sailing Association**

### **Held at the St. Augustine Yacht Club**

**August 11, 2014**

The meeting was called to order by FCSA Chairman Tom Davis at 19:00. Eighteen (18) registered members were in attendance along with several interested parties who were not members. Refer to attached membership roster with voting members highlighted in yellow

Chairman Davis reminded everyone that the purpose of the meeting was the review, possible modification, and approval or disapproval of the bylaw changes outlined in the Notice of Meeting dated July 23, 2014.

Chairman Davis first reviewed some recent accomplishments of FCSA:

- Membership growth of 58% from 62 to 98 members;
- Doubled the number of races in the Offshore Series from 7 to 14;
- Introduced a new Women's Race Series;
- Conducted three courses on Racing Rules and Committee Boat duties (at HRYC, SAYC and Rudder Club);
- Revised the PHRF rules;
- Growth to 8 clubs with the addition of Smyrna and Halifax River Yacht Clubs.

Chairman Davis then listed other work yet to be done:

- Update the FCSA Bylaws;
- Add One Design Fleet participation;
- Continue PHRF Rules development;
- Continue/improve the Interclub Regatta;
- Promote Beer Can racing;
- If proposed bylaw changes are approved, implement new action items.



Chairman Davis then reviewed the FCSA history as a race organizer. The following events were organized by FCSA over time:

- Beer Can Races
- Interclub Regatta
- Women's Races
- Regional Multi-club racing

This constitutes 36 years of history organizing various races.

Chairman Davis then reviewed the history of FCSA formation and growth, from predecessor organizations in the period of 1979-1980 to incorporation as the NE Florida Sailboat Rating Association in 1998. The name was then changed to First Coast Sailing Association in 2000.

Chairman Davis then remarked that there was a discontinuity between what the organization has been doing and the language in the bylaws. The purpose of the proposed changes was to correct that.

The proposed changes are intended to:

1. Redefine the purpose of FCSA;
2. Open FCSA membership by adding an Associate Member class;
3. Increase the scope of FCSA by including the ability to organize races.

Chairman Davis then proposed a motion be made to limit discussion by each member to 3 minutes on each of the 4 proposed bylaw changes. The motion was made, seconded and was approved unanimously.

A motion was then made and seconded to bring the proposed bylaw changes to the floor for discussion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Bylaw Change #1 was then discussed, with arguments for and against expanding the scope of FCSA activities. A motion was made and seconded to change the language that read "1. Establish the annual racing schedule for member clubs ....." to "1. Establish the annual racing schedule with member clubs ....." Motion was approved.

A motion was then made, seconded and approved with greater than 2/3 of members present in favor to temporarily suspend the rules and allow a member club Director who was not a FCSA



member to speak 3 minutes in opposition to the bylaw change. Motion was approved. The non-member questioned the motivation of the change, indicating that the intent was to take over the scheduling of races and compete with member clubs. The non-member also stated that the purpose was to take over the First Coast Offshore Challenge (FCOC) from North Florida Cruising Club (NFCC). A member then spoke in response, saying that he was a driver for establishing FCOC, and FCOC was never formed to be part of one club, the intent always being to have it taken over by a regional organization. Discussion then commenced about whether FCSA should be running races and whether FCOC is part of NFCC or not. A motion was made and seconded to close the discussion on Bylaw Change 1. Motion was approved.

Bylaw Change #2 was then discussed. A question was raised about whether Associate Members could be commercial entities and whether that might affect FCSA. Response was that individuals with commercial interests would be able to join as Associates, but the members would have voting control and the board would be appointed by member clubs. After further discussion a motion was made and seconded to close discussion on Bylaw Change #2. Motion was approved.

Bylaw Change #3 was then discussed. After a brief discussion a motion was made and seconded to remove the proposed words "and organize" from the proposed bylaw change. The motion was approved. A motion was made and seconded to close discussion on Bylaw Change #3. Motion was approved.

Bylaw Change #4 was then discussed. After some discussion in which similar issues were raised as to whether FCSA should be able to "organize" races, and whether such activity would compete with member clubs, a motion was made and seconded to approve the wording of Bylaw Change #4 as it was proposed. Motion was approved.

A motion was then made and seconded to vote on the adoption of all Proposed Bylaw Changes as amended. After some discussion and final comments by some members the vote was cast. Proposed Bylaw changes were approved on a vote of 17 yes, 1 no.

A motion was then made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Attached are the Bylaws changes as approved by the membership at this Special Meeting and membership roster highlighted with voting members who attended this meeting.

**APPROVED BY-LAWS CHANGES**  
**FIRST COAST SAILING ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
**SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON AUGUST 11, 2014**

**CHANGE NO. 1:**

Section 1.2 Purposes. (second paragraph)

The organization shall be a non-profit organization with area of jurisdiction of Northeast Florida, ~~and including neighboring areas in~~ Southeast Georgia, ~~St. Augustine, Daytona Beach and New Smyrna Beach~~. It is an area group under the United States Performance Handicap Racing Fleet (US PHRF), a subcommittee of the Offshore Racing Committee of the United States Sailing Association (US SAILING). The primary ~~focus purpose~~ is to: 1) promote sailboat racing among member clubs; 2) Coordination of the member sailing clubs; and 3) to establish and maintain an equitable system of handicap ratings for yachts owned or chartered by members. The term "Coordination" shall include:

1. Establish the annual racing schedule ~~for~~with member clubs including one-design and cruiser racing schedules through collaboration among the member clubs
2. Disseminate information for race schedules, changes, times, race results, club officers/contacts, local rules, and activities/information of interest to area sailors
3. Provide race management techniques and racing rules instruction
4. Organize annual interclub championship competition

The organization may ~~also~~ adopt and administer alternative and additional handicap rating systems from time to time. The organization may also promote regional competition and participation of member clubs by organizing regional racing events.

**CHANGE NO. 2:**

Section 3.1 Membership. The members of the Corporation shall be limited to persons who are members in good standing of a yacht club, sailing club, or sailing fleet which is a member of a yacht racing association recognized by US SAILING and is located in the area where their boats are principally at berth, and who shall have paid such measurement and membership fees as shall be established from time to time by the Board of Directors. Similarly, members in good standing of such clubs or sailing fleets, who are not boat owners, shall be afforded Associate membership on payment of dues established from time to time by the Board of Directors. Associate members may serve on committees or as members of the Board of Directors in full capacity, but shall have no voting rights as Members at Annual and Special Meetings.

**CHANGE NO. 3:**

Section 7.2 Functions. The officers shall endeavor to promote ~~and organize~~ the racing of ~~handicap yachts-boats~~ over both closed and distance courses and are authorized to provide assistance and information to yacht clubs and their race committees for this purpose.

**CHANGE NO. 4:**

7.2.2 Competition: The officers shall provide for the development of intra-area ~~handicap~~ racing by encouraging ~~and organizing~~ competition ~~between-among~~ members for trophies in such events, and may act as the ~~governing body~~organizing authority in establishing the conditions of such events. The officers may establish Standing Committees to organize regional yacht racing events among member clubs.

PHRF RATINGS SUMMARY - 2014 FCSA - August 12

	Spin Rating	N-Spin Rating	Last	First	Club	BoatName	BoatMake	SailNo
1	276	296	BARILE	MICHAEL	EFYC	??	CATALINA 22, Mk II	13192
2	198	216	SCALLY	JERRY	GCSYC	ADNYP	ETAP 30	13
3	171	190	HURLEY	JOEL	HSA	ADVERSE YAW	J-24	1078
4	156	172	FLORYAN	DANIEL	SAYC	ARIEL	HUNTER 386	386
5	147	161	BOLDT	ANTHONY	SAYC	A'LA MER	FOUNTAIN PAJOT MAHE' 36	US138
6	270	290	MacCORMACK	LAWRENCE	SAYC	AUGUSTA BELLE	CATALINA 22	11732
7	93	111	VAN TASSEL	GARY	RCoJ	AVENGER	CARRERA 290	83272
8	219	238	WIGGINS	STEVE	NFCC	BANDIT	MORGAN 24/25	55
9	153	174	JONES	ALLEN	NFCC	BERNOULLI	PEARSON 36	67
10	126	147	PARRISH	DAVID	NFCC	BIGTIME	S-2 10.3	31706
11	132	152	HOADLEY	RUSSELL	CSA - NO	BLUE HERON	CATALINA 380 W	50
12	237	258	GLYNN	ELLEN	HSA	BLUE ROSE	O'DAY 27-2	??
13	174	196	HUNTER	DANA	SAYC	BLUESKY	C&C 32	114
14	195	218	SMITH	DENISE	NFCC	BREEZIN' THRU	SAN JUAN 28	103
15	204	226	KOROUS	PETER	NFCC	CAPER	PEARSON 35	81
16	132	152	CAMPBELL	RONALD	SAYC	CHAMPAGNE LADY	SABRE 386 W	275
17	213	232	GRIFFIN	BOB	NFCC	CHANCE	BRISTOL 35	22
18	162	183	JIM	SMITH	CYC	CHEERS	PEARSON 33-2	161
19	252	270	VAN DOREN	GUY	Rat Island	COOT	CAPE DORY 25	25123
20	165	184	STEBLETON	TODD	HRYC	COPPERHEAD	ALBERG 37	17
21	171	190	DERR	BILL	FYC	DEFIANT	J-24	3740
22	126	142	BARKER	ROB	??	DRAG N FLY	HUNTER 380	L38
23	189	210	GARCES	MARIO	??	DREAM CATCHER	HUNTER 31 SD	544
24	135	156	TURNER	MICHAEL	GISC	DREAM CATCHER	CATALINA 42 MK II	885
25	147	167	YAEGER	THEODORE	HRYC	DREAMY DAZE	CATALINA 380 W	37
26	84	102	FORBIS	DEAN	CORA	ECHO	BENETEAU 36.7	22763
27	216	237	BAKER	HENRY	NFCC	FANTASEA	CATALINA 30 MK II	5693
28	219	241	PRITCHARD	RANDY	SYC	FIRST AGAIN	CATALINA 27 SD	5714
29	228	248	KEEBLE	MADALIN	SAYC	FREAK SHOW	PEARSON 26	966
30	183	204	MICHAEL	STEPHEN	NFCC	GECKGO	SOVEREL 26	16755
31	171	193	DAVIS	TOM	NFCC, RCoJ	GHOST	CAL 9.2 DK	31232
32	198	219	VAN DOREN	GUY	Rat Island	GIBSON DRY DOCK	CAL 2-29	29123
33	270	290	HELLINGS	PAUL M.	RCoJ	GIRL DOG	CATALINA 22	813
34	180	197	ROBINSON	TOM	??	GLIDER	PEARSON 31	??
35	147	164	JONES	TED	NFCC	GOIN' SOUTH	HUNTER 355 LEGEND	291
36	171	193	McCLEMENS	ROBERT	NFCC	GONE BANANAS	CATALINA 36 MK I	289
37	174	195	BOYD	GENE	Beaufort Y&S	HH HANNAH	IRWIN CITATION 34	331
38	102	122	LANNI	WILLIAM	??	HOOT MON	HOBIE 33	32697
39	51	69	KEENAN	JOHN	CYC	ILLYRIA	J-BOATS 120	51882
40	195	217	SMITH	DAVID	SYC	INCOMMUNICADO	HUNTER 28.5	674
41	93	113	BREW	RICH	RCoJ, EFYC	KAOS	HOBIE 33 TURBO	41
42	216	235	WELTI	JACQUELINE	NFCC	KARA VELA	FREEDOM 40	Star
43	246	268	GUIDI	NEENA	EFYC, RCoJ	KEEP THE FAITH	CATALINA 25 SK	3246
44	219	238	BOWES, III	STEPHEN	FYC	KEY LIME	MORGAN 24/25	298
45	39	59	STEIN	ROBERT	CYC	KINETIC	J BOATS 111 - ODR	73
46	183	202	CUNNINGHAM	JAMES	??	KITTY WAKE	GEMINI 105 MC CAT	900
47	174	195	MEEHAN	JOHN	SAYC	KOTCHKA	HINCKLEY 38	2514
48	117	137	ETEM	L HAKKI	NFCC	LAYLA	BENETEAU Oc 461	17
49	207	227	GOLDBERG	REBECCA	HSA	LAYLA	HUNTER 290 SD	??
50	33	51	GHIOTTO	PHILIP	RCoJ	LITTLE WING	CORSAIR	111
51	222	229	REHKOPF	JEFFREY	NFCC	LOH BOY	TSP FREEDOM 21	124
52	240	262	OPENBRIER	DIANA	NFCC	LOTHLOREN	BABA 30	
53	189	210	MORGAN	JOSEPH	FYC	LUDICROUS	C&C 30	34217
54	171	190	GRIFFIN	GREG	FYC	MAJIC	J-24	3244
55	144	163	BARBE'	VICTOR	EFYC	MILKY WAVES	BENETEAU OC 381	149
56	147	162	QUILLEN	CARTER	SAYC, NFCC	MONKEY'S UNCLE	HUNTER 45 CC	110
57	147	161	FRENCH	JASON	??	MISS CONNIE	KURT HUGHES TUBE CAT 30	??
58	171	193	HERBSTER	CHRIS	HSA	MORNING DEW	EVELYN 25.5	31372
59	198	219	BURNHAM	DAVID	Rat Island	MORNING STAR	CAL JENSEN 29-2	13266
60	135	155	CHURCH	NORMAN	HRYC	OBSESSION	MORGAN 41 CB	2090
61	183	201	MANN	RICHARD	SAYC	OCELOT	GEMINI LEGACY 35 CAT	1162
62	171	191	CHRISTENSEN	KENNETH	NFCC	ONYVA	CATALINA C320	583
63	171	190	HIRSCH	JOHN	FYC	ORANGE BLOSSOM	J-24	2827
64	156	178	HOLLAND	THOMAS	RCoJ, NFCC	OSPREY	MORGAN 382	42469
65	153	175	GROVER	BRETT	NFCC	PASSION	CATALINA 34 TM	930964
66	168	187	HUFF	DAVE	HRYC	PASSWORD	MORGAN 38 YAWL	3869
67	225	246	SUTTERFIELD	STEVE	NFCC	PATRIOT	CATALINA 28	312
68	168	187	SLIDER	DAVID	??	PEACE	BENETEAU 311	311
69	138	156	FISCHER-CARNE	PATRICK	HSA	PERPETUAL MOTION	HUNTER 37.5 LEGEND	31470
70	99	117	KEEBLE	MADALIN	SAYC	PHRFECTION	BENETEAU	1131
71	99	118	SCARINGE	ROBERT	PCYC	QWIKSAIL	C&C 115 (LIFT KEEL)	1925
72	87	101	NORWOOD	ADAM	NFCC, RCoJ	RATTLE & HUM	ANTRIM 27	46566
73	102	123	LORING	BILL	CORA	RIGEL	SAGA 409	2
74	183	200	CORNETT	PHILLIP	SYC	SAILAWAY	PEARSON 31	7
75	111	132	ROSEN	DOUG	NFCC, NJYC	SANDMAN	BENETEAU Oc 45	??
76	237	250	FEGEN	MICHAEL	SAYC	SASSY	HUNTER 216	226
77	195	216	STEBLEIN	JEFFREY	SYC	SASSY	S2-9.2	111
78	138	155	SMITH	ROBERT	RCoJ	SCALLYWAG	J-29	42717
79	162	183	LAWRENSON	WILLIAM	SCYC	SERENTY	CATALINA 350	418
80	225	247	ANDERSON	GUY	NFCC	SHADOW FAX	PEARSON 27	27
81	153	171	BALL	KENNETH	SAYC	SIDURI	J-30	43096
82	210	224	GEER	MARGO	SAYC	SO ANYWAY	HUNTER 22	101
83	177	198	ROHRBAUGH	JAMIE	SAYC	SOXANTE	CATALINA 350	444
84	216	236	SPIERRE	JOHN	NFCC, RCoJ	SOROS CAILIN II	BENETEAU Oc 281 W	122
85	138	155	McGRANE	BUD	EFYC, NFCC	SOUNDS GOOD	LEOPARD 40	None
86	90	108	ROOS	BILL	NFCC	SOUTHERN CROSS	BENETEAU FIRST 36.7	158
87	45	65	GREINER	GLENN	RCoJ, HRYC	SPIRIT	DOBROTH 45	42845
88	132	152	RODGERS	CLYDE	HRYC	SPONGECAKE	BENETEAU Oc 44 CC	137
89	90	111	MICHAEL	DONALD	CYC	SUWANNEE	STEVENS 50 PH	50973
90	237	258	SPERBECK	BARBARA	NFCC	SWIM UP TIKI BAR	BRISTOL 27.7	39
91	339	351	REHKOPF	JEFFREY	NFCC	T FOR TWO	JJ	136
92	174	196	LLUBERAS	MANUEL	NFCC	TRUANT II	ERICSON 35	378
93	129	151	SMITH	MAC	HRYC	TWILIGHT	LAFITTE 44 SM	602
94	192	213	DIETRICH	DONALD	SYC	VALHALLA	C&C 29-2	347
95	201	222	STURGE	RICHARD	??	VELA	CAL 2-29	495
96	117	138	BELL	TOM	NFCC	WHISPER	C&C 38	41038
97	216	232	SULLIVAN	MIKE	RCoJ	WINGED VICTORY	SLOOP 28	874
98	156	178	BRANGACCIO	DAVID	SYC	XANADU	MORGAN 382	81
99	225	242	OPREANU	NICK	??	YA-YA	MacGREGOR 26S	17