



International RS Feva Class Association AGM

Monday 22nd July 2022 Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy

Chair: Jon Partridge Secretary: Lucy Jameson	
Apologies : None received	JP
Welcome: Jon Partridge welcomed all those at the meeting and thanked them for taking the time to come. As the meeting had been delayed the opportunity of a delay for sailors to hit the water offered a good opportunity to meet.	JP
International RS Feva Class Association Update: USA – Sales to the USA have been strong with a fleet of RS Fevas being sold for the Siebel Project, it is looking positive for the future. The idea being that this project helps to move sailors on into racing. Singapore there is some interest from some clubs in Singapore, will keep all updated New Zealand – Had a great Nationals, the biggest so far. Feva been placed as the official pathway boat for Yachting New Zealand. All clubs are moving to having their own Feva fleet. Developed a schedule for 2020 where Fevas can race as a class enabling the sailors to sail 2 boats. 4 teams representing NZL at 2019 Worlds Dutch fleet- 40 competitive boats, 1/3 beginners, 1/3 progressing and the 1/3 very active racing all over. The RS Feva has now been selected by the Dutch Sailing Association as the Youth 2 person boat. Italy – double handed junior championships is seeing increasing numbers at all events. We need to put efforts into those countries who would have been in attendance in previous years but not at the Worlds now	

French are really working hard.

Committee Update

Welcomed Technical Representative Frans van den Biggelaar to the committee

The Committee has been sparse, no chair in place at this time. The general feeling from the 2019 AGM was that all are happy with everything as long as the events are run well. There is still a need for every country to represent one contact as a representative.

Finances Update

Treasurer Emma Stokes has done a through look through all class finances, both Bank Account and Xero and reconciled all, JP was pleased to report that the finances still looked healthy despite a challenging few years. Currently sitting on €25k of surplus this allows for a buffer and annual operation of the class plus opportunity to look into supporting smaller nations, coaching, Regional Training Camps and such like.

Coach the Coaches Camp was suggested, JP think we should do it- Niall Myant would be good person to run it.

Action – Organise a Train the Trainer Event for Coaches

Events Update

RS Feva World Championships 2021 in Travemünder went well, many countries could not attend but it did see an entry of 97 teams which was most encouraging. Due to COVID restrictions GBR and NZL teams could not attend

- RS Feva World Championships 2023

JP explained that the planning for 2023 the plan was to go to St Francis YC in San Francisco and 2024 La Rochelle and 2025 Follonica in Italy however a few things have happened. The French have decided that they can now no longer host our event in 2024 despite our seeking confirmation that they had been happy to host when they are also hosting the Olympics that year. Knowing every good race official will be at the Olympics making organisation difficult. France wants to move to 2025

St Francis are still not clear on plans for 2023, minor details are still being discussed. As a result of the uncertainty we have suggested that we move San Francisco Worlds to 2024 and Follonica to 2023. Follonica had originally invited the class back for 2023 as it would tie in with the 100 year Celebration of their town. All parties are happy with the proposal so next is to seek confirmation from the class members that all are happy

2023 Follonica Italy
2024 San Francisco
2025 La Rochelle France
2026 Travemünder Woche

There would then be an additional Worlds in New Zealand

No objections voiced at the meeting.

Europeans Plan

2023 – Hungary

2024 – Bruinnesse NED

2025 - TBC

A question was raised about dates of World Championships- JP explained that historically they dates have always been the last full week of July as there would be more children on Holiday. When outside of Europe it's a bit more difficult and dates can be different

No further questions were raised.

There was some discussion around the Committee, a plea for some help and support to come on the committee.

Class Rules

3 Areas of Class Rules that need tidying up

Kicker – What is allowed and not allowed needs to be better defined.

Additional block that had been used on the boom is very liked by smaller lighter sailors allowing them to pull more kicker on, this does increase the ratio by 0.3 so it end up with a 6.3 to 1 ratio. This helps the smaller sailors but does not add any further assistance to the larger sailors.. Tim Rush added that this also helps keep the boat tidy, the extra mechanical advantage is so small and aids the smaller sailors.

Allow up to 6:1 Kicker and would allow add an additional block to act as a Fairlead on the boom.

Minimum Shroud Length rule has to be introduced as people are sailing with more Rake than ever before. From a measurement point of view this will be easy to judge as you would add a measurement marker on mast or on foredeck to act as a guide
Minimum length that shroud can be measured from correctly connected at position on the mast.

Use of Fast Pins – is one or two on each side appropriate

Matteo Rusticali thinks its easier for the sailors to haver 2 on each side to allow easier adjustment on the water and acts as a safety measure Tim Rush agreed

JP asked as a class do we need to do full measurement at every Worlds? Frans currently method of spot checking was working well with spot checking

Kicker Purchase

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Should Length

<p>Some conversation into the technicalities that could be used in a full measurement from weighing boats to measuring sails, no strong feelings for a full measurement so will continue as we are</p> <p>JP updated all on boats – The MK 2 RS Feva Mould has arrived. Plan will be to mould some boats in next few weeks ready to display at Southampton Boat Show in September. When this exercise was done with the MK2 RS Tera is went well and so hoping that this process will be seamless. Spinnaker Shoot is bigger, Foredeck is the top of the shoot with a Material tray above the spinnaker making the area easier to access. Spinnaker , Pole, Mast, Mast Gate Arrangement will remain the same. There will be a 2 piece Toe Strap system. Lastly the transom will become the same as Quest, Tera and Zest. Everything below the water line is the same.</p>	
<p>AOB</p> <p>FVB Asked about a go to one stop maintenance pack that can be purchased and used to do annual type maintenance update on your RS Feva. JP explained that this was simply too complicated to provide and that the website would easily allow a customer to pick exactly the products they required.</p>	
<p>Date of next meeting: RS Feva World Championships 2020 Monday 20th July 2020 Time and exact location TBC</p>	