

**2014 Jet 14 Annual Meeting Agenda**  
**Mayfield Yacht Club, Mayfield, NY**  
**August 15, 2014**

**1. Call to Order – Chris Hennon at 5:40pm**

**2. Opening Remarks – Chris Hennon**

Thank you to Dean and Kelly Whalen, Dave Japikse, and Mayfield Yacht Club for hosting Nationals.

**3. Reports from Officers**

a) President's Reports – Chris Hennon

Optimistic based on the past year. Membership is declining some, but fleets are stable or growing. North Carolina fleets are growing, several new boats at each fleet. SSA is stable after several years of declining participation. NJ fleets are adding boats. High number of boats from Edgewater attending Nationals. Mohican continues to be strong.

Electronic communication (email, website, blog) has worked well throughout the past year. The JetBlast newsletter was previously published quarterly, but has not been published in the past couple of years. Includes articles about sailing, new member profiles, some regatta results. Could include classifieds, ads, etc. Looking for a new editor to take over the printed JetBlast publication.

b) 1<sup>st</sup> VP Report – Eric Johnson (not in attendance)

c) 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Report – Seth Parker (not in attendance at start of meeting)

d) Secretary's Report – Tiffany Parker

Membership numbers are declining, year over year, with a total of 88 members prior to any additions this week. We are down 13 members compared to 2013, and a total of 24 compared to 2012. Many of those who did not renew in 2014 were Junior members who participated in Junior Nationals in North Carolina last year. For reference, there were 126 members in 2010.

Looking for a JetBlast editor. A lack of printed communication has contributed to the decline in membership. The secretary receives frequent requests for the latest publication of the JetBlast, especially from members who were involved in the Class in past years and may not race frequently. They relied on the printed publication to keep in touch with the Class activities.

e) Treasurer's Report – Bryan Parker

Approximately \$18,000 in bank accounts

Although membership has declined in past years but the Class remains financially strong. The Class has a significant asset in Allen Jet 14 #1159, owned by the Class. We are looking for a buyer, with the boat priced at \$9500, including sails, trailer, and top and bottom covers.

f) Chief Measurer's Report – Marion Zaugg

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Appreciated help for Nationals measurement, including weighing boats and measuring sails.

No measurement issues to report. The Chief Measurer's responsibility is to manage measurement questions for those who own a Jet and to ensure boats meet measurement requirements.

- g) Website Editor – Chris Hennon  
Would be willing to hand off responsibilities of Webmaster if someone else is interested; otherwise, will continue updating the website as he has been doing.

Website has not changed since late 1990's, but it is functional. Photo sharing website, Smugmug, hosts Class photos. Currently goes back 7 years, and will eventually go back 15 years. Newsfeed (Wordpress blog) has been used to get info out quickly. Facebook page, "Jet 14 sailors", has about 35 members.

File cards of owner records – plan to digitize, eventually make it a searchable database.

**4. Fleet Reports / Roll Call of Fleets**

- a. District I – Nicky Einthoven provided the reports  
Fleet 3 (Pines Lake) – Ungemachs are the only people left there  
Fleet 35 (Pacanack) – alive and well, regatta is in early October and is a great event  
Fleet 51 (Hunterdon) – alive and well; Gravy Bowl regatta had 6 boats sail; a new member joined two or three weeks ago (the father, mother, and son all sail); Charlie Engler is not sailing much anymore, but he is actively finding people to sail in a Jet 14; Art Roswell (Jet 1001) is looking to sell his boat; the Benson family is still active; Ted Klein is planning to get Jet 1123 sailing again, recently bought a new mast; a lot of sailors are aging out of small-boat sailing
- b. District II  
Fleet 4 (Mohican) – Marion Zaugg - added new members last year; sailing every Sunday, with between 2 and 5 Jet's on the water; club sailing is important, as there is not as much pressure to sail one's own boat at the club, so there is an opportunity to help others; hosting 2 regattas per year, Spring regatta had 17 boats  
Fleet 60 (Edgewater) – Ernie Michaud – there are 8-12 boats sailing every week during club racing; the Chili Bowl will be Sept. 27, look for details to come
- c. District III – Chris Hennon provided the reports  
Fleet 61 (SSA) – fleet is stable now, Eric and Kathy are holding things together; Chris Wood just bought 1081; Ed Lutz is sailing regularly; the Jet's face a lot of competition with a large, active Snipe Fleet  
Fleet 62 (Annapolis) – nothing to report  
Fleet 65 (North Carolina) – fleet is growing, adding boats; had a spring regatta at Asheville Sailing Club with 9 boats, including some from Ohio; 3-4 boats for club races at Asheville; Barry Saunders is sailing near Raleigh Durham, looking forward to Governor's Cup next year, which will be District III Champs; Lake Norman continues to be active with Tom Grace and Tim Porter
- d. District IV

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Fleet 63 (Mayfield) – Dave Japikse - 6 or 7 boats are available to sail, but not sailing every week, hope to do so next year; Dennis Fulley is a new member; Matt Japikse reported there are 3 or 4 boats at Saratoga, some are in disrepair, but there are some Thistle Sailors interested; Tedrows are retired from sailing; Sean DeFusco blew out his knee and couldn't sail this year

**5. Unfinished Business**

No items

**6. New Business**

a. Nationals 2015

Mohican Sailing Club (Mansfield, OH) has offered to host the 2015 Jet 14 Nationals

b. Slate of Officers:

i. Slate of officers presented: Chris Hennon presented the following slate of officers:

President – Chris Hennon

1<sup>st</sup> VP – Eric Johnson

2<sup>nd</sup> VP – Seth Parker

Treasurer – Bryan Parker

Secretary – Tiffany Parker

Chief Measurer – Marion Zaugg

\*The Slate of Officers was proposed by Brent Barbehenn, as Immediate Past President. He recommended not making changes to the Board for the upcoming year to maintain continuity as the Class tries to stabilize membership and participation.

ii. Nominations from the floor:

Two Members at Large were suggested to be added

Ernie Michaud – nominated by Dave Michos, seconded by Chris Hennon

Leonard Wells – nominated by Sue Michos, seconded by Paula Hennon

Dave Japikse moved to accept the above Slate of Officers, including the two Members at Large. Sue Michos seconded the motion.

All members present at the meeting voted in favor of the proposed Slate. None were opposed. None abstained from voting.

c. Jet 14 #1159

The Class still owns this boat, built by Allen Boatworks, and there have been no offers to purchase the boat. In light of this situation, the Board discussed some options during the Summer BOG meeting to help find an owner and/or get the boat on the water more regularly.

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The details regarding options for Jet 14 #1159 have not been finalized, especially regarding insurance for the boat, which is currently insured by the Class. The Board discussed the Class providing financing (no interest) for a period of several years to make the purchase easier for the buyer, or a charter option in which a sailor could essentially borrow the boat for a fee.

As recommended by Sue Michos, look for a 1-page flyer that will summarize the details once they are finalized.

d. **New Business recommended by the membership:**

John Gemperline suggested the following two items be considered by the Board at their next meeting, especially in light of the sailing conditions at this year's Nationals:

- At future Nationals events, should there be a requirement of a specified number of safety boats per number of registered boats sailing the event?
- Should the Class allow radios for on-the water communication?

**7. Adjournment:**

Chris Hennon moved to adjourn the meeting, Seth Parker seconded the Motion.

All in attendance were in favor, none opposed or abstained from voting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.