Minutes of the Skype meeting of NZTYA held on 11 November, 2013 at 7.30pm

Present: Alan Simpson, Alex Bruce, Jackie Holt, Colin McDonald, Monique Princen and Jo Martin

Apologies: John Cullens, Monique Princen for leaving early

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by Alan. Confirmed as read.

Financial: The BNZ has changed their requirements. As soon as the signatures have been received Alan will be able to action it all.

Accounts for payment: YNZ

Hosting website (Matt) \$ 27.00. Agreed.

\$105.37

Around the Regions:

Monique. Naval Point have started racing. Brunner has been contacted and they are keen to organise something.

Alan. Evans Bay Yacht Club have resolved to rejoin NZTYA. Monique to put them back into the fold.

Jackie. NZTYA Nationals and North Island Championships went vey well. Had 25/26 boats in three divisions. They regretted the 15minute time limit on Saturday. Alan commented that the organisation was very well done. It was a really good show. There was strong support from the sponsors. There were Ross 780's from all over the North Island, including New Plymouth and Auckland. At the prize giving Alan made comments on safety and the Crombie Lockwood Scheme and asking those present to lobby clubs to become members.

A further comment was made that there are some guys who don't use their trailer yachts regularly. They only bring them out for special events or to use them as a caravan when on holiday or they use keelers.

Comment was also made about the support from Burnsco around the country in providing prizes and changing sizes, etc if necessary.

Colin.

We're doing okay down south. There was interesting sailing at the Te Anau International Yacht Race and Aviemore. It was really windy. Two thirds of the fleet never sailed back. 1 boat sunk. 3 lost their masts. It was a good effort all round as there were 85 - 92 yachts. Spoke at the dinner on Sunday night about the ratings, Crombie Lockwood, the benefits of trailer sailing, the trailer regulations. 2 guys spoke about trailer accidents. Spoke with the LTSA guy (Tim Hughes) about the overwidth requirements for 25's. Information is on the Farr website. **Alex.**

- 1. Aviemore very fast boats finished the course. 33 out of 92 finished. A sports boat finished after the owner handed his 1 year old boat over to his experienced crew.
- 2. David Goddard from the Bay of Plenty Trailer Yacht Squadron has sent in the results for races involving Elevation, an Elliot 7. The owner was asking if his rating could be changed. Looking through the results doesn't indicate that anything is dramatically wrong with the rating as it stands. The next rating list will have "provisional" removed. There was further discussion on whether putting a code 0 on and some boats changing from modified to standard depending on the conditions. If we changed his rating for a code 0 it would create further problems for us. Alan commented that multiple ratings would be unsustainable. He asked Alex to liaise directly with Tony, owner, and David. We will back Alex.

3. Haven't spoken with Graeme Wall the RSO yet. What approach should I take? Alan suggested that we are trying to get on the same wave length as the RSO's and get them on our side as they are the face of YNZ in the provinces. Try to focus on the centreboards.

Alan.

- 1. Spoke to the CEO on the roadshow. The KORK committee is now totally defunct so we need to reiterate our desire to be part of YNZ.
- 2. Have tried to get hold of Nigel Lancaster. Tried to get his contact from Keith Hollick but have had no reply.
- 3. Spoke about the Nationals run by BOPTYS. Jackie is to email the full results to Alex after a discussion about Harjumbo(?). Should it be an A division boat and rated higher then a Williams? Do we change it now or wait until the next AMR? It was decided that Alex is to look at the results and do it now to spread the workload. He is to put out a provisional rating and ratify it at the AMR.
- 4. Evans Bay Yacht Club are keen to hold a regatta later. Their contact is Mike Dunlop.
- 5. The website is up and running. Haven't done the Lake Brunner article as it looks like sailing instructions rather than a notice of race. Will refer people to their website for information. Jackie is to do an article about the nationals and Colin is putting something together about Aviemore. Are there any articles or press on the Ross 780's? The committee is watching Rafferty Rules, a Ross 780 with a rotating prod, very closely.
- 6. We won't need a meeting before Christmas. The AMR will possibly be held at Evans Bay. The next meeting will be on the 3rd March, 2014, at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.