



INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2019 held in Vilamoura (POR) on 7th July 2019

PRESENT: *MEMBERS eligible to vote:*

AUS	Barry Wilson
ANG	Nuno Gomes
AUT	Wolfgang Kobale
BRA	Leonardo Lombardi
BUL	Stanislav Kassarov
FRA	Didier Rossi
NZL	Wayne Keen
GER	Jacqueline Steidle
GRE	Andreas Papadopoulos
GBR	Linda Keers
HGK	Daniel Dolega
ISR	Nino Shmueli
ITA	Stefano Marchetti
POR	Gonzalo Ramos
SUI	Mallin Karlsson
USA	Stephen Keen
POL	Antonina Marciniak
ESP	Magda Resano Fantino
JPN	Yoshihiro Aoyama
THA	Peera Sagultem
TUR	Tayfun Erey

Total: 21 country representatives

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Nino Shmueli	<i>President</i>	NS
Jose Massapina	<i>Vice-President</i>	JM
Jackie Taylor	<i>Treasurer</i>	JT
Fulvia Ercoli	<i>Secretary</i>	FE

ABSENT:

Dimitris Dimou	<i>Technical Committee</i>
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APOLOGIES: Nil

ABSENT

MEMBERS: ARG,BAH,BEL,BLR,CAN,CHI,CRO,CZE,CYP,HUN,INA,IND,IRL,ISV,KOR,MAS,MEX,MYA,RSA,RUS,SIN,SLO,URU,UKR.

DOCUMENTS (circulated before the meeting):

- Agenda
- 2019 Annual Report of the President
- 2018/2019 Promotional and Development Annual Report

- 2020 promotional and development plan
- 2018 Technical Committee Report (received but not circulated)
- Annual accounts for the year ended 31 December 2018

WELCOME

The meeting was opened at 18:15.

NS welcomed the voting members & observers to the General Assembly. He thanked Vilamoura Sailing for hosting the GA and FE for the preparations of the meeting.

Nuno Reis, Vilamoura CEO, welcomed the attendees and wished everyone a successful and fruitful meeting.

1. ELECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETING

NS stated that there are 21 of the 45 country class members eligible to vote in attendance and hence, the meeting has a valid quorum according to the class constitution (more than 1/3 of the members present).

S. Kassarov (BUL) seconder by N. Gomes (ANG) proposed NS as the chairman of the meeting.

Decision: The proposal to elect NS as Chairman of the meeting was unanimously accepted.

In favour: 21, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

(as circulated before the meeting)

Following his election as Chairman of the meeting and the formal opening of the meeting, NS presented the President's annual report, as circulated and attached to the minutes.

No questions from the floor.

3. CLASS DEVELOPMENT REPORT 2018 – 2019

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, who is responsible for class development, presented the development report as circulated and attached to these minutes.

No questions from the floor

4. CLASS DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2019 - 2020

(as circulated before the meeting)

JM, presented the development plan as circulated and attached to these minutes.

JM presented the new 420 Class promotional video and previewed the new tuning video that will be available very soon. These two new tools will be in addition to the two training aids we already have on-line.

JM presented the criteria for certification of 420 Sailing Centres. This will be launched via the website and, in the coming months, each club/sailing centre will be able to apply to be certified as a 420 Sailing Centre.

No questions from the floor

5. REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

(not circulated before the meeting)

The Technical Committee Report was not circulated to the members due to a lack of communication within the EC members, we apologize for this. The 2018 TC report is attached to these minutes.

NS proposed to vote on accepting items 2,3 and 4 as a block.

**Decision: The proposed was accepted by the meeting to vote as a block on item 2,3 and 4
In favour: 20, Against: 1, Abstain: 0.**

As agreed NS asked the meeting to approve the EC reports in items 2, 3 and 4.

**Decision: The EC reports 2, 3 and 4 were approved by meeting.
In favour: 21, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.**

6. PRESENTATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

(as circulated before the meeting)

JT presented the 2018 accounts and explained any variances from the previous year. The auditor, Philippe Boudgourd (FRA) who was not presented at the meeting reviewed the accounts in advance and approved them.

Stanislav Kassarov (BUL) proposed that the EC shall consider keeping the class money in Euros in more than one account at different European banks, in order to have the maximum amounts guaranteed under the banks protection schemes, according to the EU regulations (up to 100.000 euro guaranteed per account).

NS (ISR) put forward a motion to the meeting seconded by Stanislav Kassarov (BUL) to approve 2018 Annual account as presented by JT and approved by the class auditor.

**Decision: The meeting unanimously approved the 2018 annual Accounts.
In favour: 21, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.**

7. APPROVAL OF NEXT YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION FEES

The EC recommended that each 420 NCA or MNA should again pay 5 years membership fees (20 euro per year) for the next 5 years (2021-2025)

**Decision: The members unanimously approved the EC proposal.
In favour: 20, Against: 1, Abstain: 0.**

8. PROPOSAL FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

No proposals were received from the EC members.

9. PROPOSALS FROM THE MEMBERS, IF ANY

No proposals were received from members.

10. ELECTION OF CLASS AUDITOR FOR THE CURRENT FINANCIAL YEAR

NS recommended Michael Rudnick (Int. 420 US Class President) as the auditor for the year ended 31 December 2019, no other proposals.

Decision: Michael Rudnick was elected

In favour: 21, Against: 0, Abstain: 0.

11. TO AGREE THE VENUES OF THE INTERNATIONAL 420 CLASS WORLD AND CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2021, AND CONFIRM THE VENUES AND DATES FOR THESE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2020

(as published at www.420sailing.org)

(a) **2020 Worlds**

Crozon Morgat, FRANCE

Dates confirmed: 3-11 July 2020

Olivier Latin the event manager presented the venue.

As 2020 is the 420 Class 60 Anniversary NS stated that the EC is considering opening the quotas to have 300 plus boat and probably to create a new Master category. This will be an opportunity to show the strength of the class worldwide. NS promised to announce the final quotas of next year Worlds by the end of September.

Stefano Marchetti (ITA) proposed that the Class should invite some ex 420 sailors who are Olympians too.

(b) **2020 420/470 Junior European Championships**

Warnermuende, GERMANY

Dates confirmed: 2 - 9 August 2020

(c) **2021 World Championship**

The class received two valid bids from Switzerland and Brazil.

Brazil bid,

Leonardo Lombardi (BRA) presented the bid from Bahia, Brazil.

Proposed dates: after the WS Youth Worlds, i.e. second week of January 2021

Charter boat will be provided by Nautivela. For Shipping Containers: Salvador is the nearby commercial Harbour.

Swiss bid:

Mallin Karlsson (SUI) and Nikos Drougkas (GRE) presented the bid from Lake Silverplana (Saint Moritz), Switzerland.

No Coach boats are allowed on the lake and there is only one course area, but it can be sailed till late evening so will probably sail in two shifts. Good sailing conditions

Dates: flexible during the summer July – August 2021.

NS congratulated the bidders. Both are attractive and explained it is possible to have both event in 2021. NS proposed to have the 2021 Worlds in Brazil at the beginning of January and during July-August to run the Open Europeans in Switzerland.

NS with the support of the EC asked to vote on this proposal:

**Decision: 2021 Worlds will be held in Bahia (BRA),
Open European in Saint Moritz (SUI).
In favour: 17, Against: 2, Abstain: 2**

(d) **2021 420 & 470 Junior European Championship**

Venue selected by 470 Class

Weymouth (GBR)

Dates: TBA

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

NS invited Stephen Keen to present the recommendations of the Working Party that was appointed last year at the GA :

The WP created a document in which generally stated that everything should be done for the benefit of the sailors. All the WP ideas are in a document that will be published soon. The first draft has already been received by the EC. SK explained that he had already had a meeting with the Class President who read the draft and agreed that some of the suggestions will be implemented immediately.

SK purposed to have an informal Coaches Meeting during the Championship to present the full view of the WP. It was agreed that the meeting would be held on July 9th after racing. The Class will provide drinks and refreshments.

GA closed at 20:30 local time.

Signed by:

President
Nino Shmueli

General Secretary
Fulvia Ercoli