



## **J/109 UK and Ireland Class Association**

### **2021 Annual General Meeting**

#### **Minutes**

**Date of AGM:** Friday 25 June 2021  
**Time:** 6:45 pm  
**Location:** The Upper Bar, Royal Southern Yacht Club, Hamble

**Attendees:** **Full Members**

Chris Burleigh, Class Treasurer, Jybe Talkin' (Chair)  
Rob Cotterill, Class Secretary, Mojo Risin'  
David McGough, Class Technical Officer and Measurer, Just So

Anthony Tahourdin, Jedi  
David Richards, Jumping Jellyfish  
Mike Yates, Jago  
Rosie Berry, Jenie  
Neil MacLachlan, Jai Ho

**In attendance**

Charles Berry, Jenie

**Apologies:** John Smart, Jukebox  
Lesley Brooman, Jumunu  
Stephen Horne, Jambo

**1. Confirmation of quorum and validity of meeting**

The AGM was called by the class secretary on 18 May, more than three weeks' notice.

With more than 5 full members in attendance, quorum for the meeting was confirmed.

**2. Approval of the minutes of the last Special General Meeting, held on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2020, virtually using Zoom**

David McGough asked for an amendment to the minutes as follows:

At the end of point 7, replace the last sentence with “David McGough commented that it was up to every owner to decide the exact specification including any safety features for the cascade backstays”.

Subject to this amendment, the minutes were accepted as presented, and made available on [www.j109uk.com](http://www.j109uk.com)

**3. Matters Arising**

Anthony Tahourdin asked whether it was still reasonable for the class to impose a weight limit on crew in the class rules. It was agreed that this should continue to apply for some regattas, in particular the national championships at the J Cup.

It was noted that for the Taittinger regatta and Cowes week, it has been usual to get the organisers to amend the rule to allow 9 or 10 crew, with no weight limit. Rob Cotterill took the action to liaise with the Taittinger regatta to set the limit at 9 crew.

**4. Class Committee**

**a. Resignations**

- i. Simon Perry has notified the committee of his intention to resign as Chair.

**b. Committee member elections**

- i. David Richards has put himself forward to be considered for the role of Chair and was duly elected. David commented that he had been sailing in the class for many years and, having until now never served on the committee, wanted to give something back to the class.
- ii. We seek a volunteer to take on Marketing and Publicity, including managing content for the web site. Chris Burleigh will sound out one of his crew members.
- iii. We seek a volunteer to take on event organising including the annual dinner. Anthony Tahourdin may be able to help from October and may be co- opted by the committee at that time.

**c. Committee members**

- i. David Richards – Chair
- ii. Chris Burleigh – Treasurer
- iii. David McGough – Technical Officer and Measurer
- iv. Rob Cotterill – Secretary

**5. Class Committee Report**

Rob Cotterill presented the class committee report as attached below.

Dave Richards commented that we need to ensure new owners are welcomed to the class and invited to join the class association.

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

Chris Burleigh presented the Treasurer's report as attached below. He added that he would recommend that we maintain the amount of membership subscriptions to £20. It was agreed to do so.

## **7. Class Technical Officer and Measurer's report**

David McGough presented the Technical Officer and Class Measurer's report as attached below. He added that Stuart Miller, who provides him with technical advice is happy for other class members to approach him for advice.

It was agreed to place maintenance- related articles such as those David provided in in his report of his experience with Just So on the website, along with selected articles from the Facebook group and for other owners to report issues they experience".

## **8. Solent Series 2021**

Those present were informed of the constituent races in the Solent series, which is attached below, along with the 2021 J109 UK calendar.

## **9. Annual Dinners 2021 and 2022.**

Rob Cotterill informed the class that the annual dinner for 2021 was scheduled for 2 October, at the Royal Southern, after a day of training and practice races to be organised by One Sails. It is to be a casual dinner, with a ticket price of £20- £25 per head. It was agreed to put the word out.

The class needs someone to organise the 2022 dinner, planned to be held in February at the Royal Thames Yacht Club, London.

## **10. Any Other Business**

### **Cork Week 2022**

The Royal Cork Yacht Club has invited the J/109 UK Class to join the regatta, as part of its tricentenary celebrations. They expect a large number of Irish J/109s to compete under IRC. The regatta dates are 11- 15 July 2022. The 2022 Morgan Cup is planned to be sailed on 1 July to a West Country destination (currently Dartmouth), and the Cork Week organisers plan to run a feeder race from there to Cork.

There was interest from a number of boats, including Jedi, Mojo Risin' , Jumping Jellyfish and Jybe Talkin'.

Rob Cotterill was actioned to discuss arrangements with the Royal Cork Yacht Club: (i) To ensure that it was clear which competition J/109s should enter to ensure they started and raced together. (ii) To see if results for J/109s can be extracted from IRC results, and if possible whether J/109s can have their own start.

### **Dartmouth Week**

This regatta was highly recommended by David McGough – it's the last week in August, leading up to the bank holiday weekend.