

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the International Techno 293 Class Association
Date - Thursday, 27th October, 2016. Venue – LABA, Torbole, Lake Garda, ITA

Minutes

1. Welcome and registration of voting delegates and email votes

Ezio Ferin – Chairman, present
Marc Cardon – Vice Chairman, present
Marco Rossi – committee member, present
Raul Saubidet – committee member, present
Benoit Treguilly - committee member, present
Nevin Sayre – committee member, email vote
Winfield Zee – committee member, email vote

National associations represented by delegates:

ARG, BEL, BRA, ESP, EST, FRA, GBR, GER, GRE, HKG, HUN, ISR, ITA, LAT, NED,
RUS, SVK, TUN, TUR, USA.

27 votes were recorded.

In attendance: Ceri Williams, Class Secretary; and many observers.

2. [Minutes of the previous meeting](#) – there were no matters arising.

3. Chairman's Report

In his report the Chairman, Ezio Ferin, emphasized the need for a big base to allow the sport to succeed and to flourish, and the T293 class was providing that base. He thanked all those who were working hard, working together, for the good of the class.

4. Financial Statement

Ceri Williams outlined the contribution made by the Techno 293 Class to the International Windsurfing Association (IWA) accounts during the IWA AGM that preceded the T293 Meeting - [2015 IWA Income and Expenditure \(Management\) Accounts](#).

5. Class Rules

5.1 It was proposed to allow the use of “spacers” in the batten camber inducers, with spacers supplied by the Manufacturer.

APPROVED – 25 YES; 0 NO; 2 ABSTENTION

5.2 It was proposed to allow the use of a mast protector as supplied by the manufacturer.

APPROVED – 26 YES; 0 NO; 1 ABSTENTION

Note – both may require better definition after discussion with World Sailing.

6. Championships Rules – there were no proposals to amend championship rules.

7. Future Championships and venues

7.1 The following championships were confirmed for 2017:

T293 Europeans, Lorient, Brittany, France, from 22nd to 29th July;

T293 Worlds, Salou, Tarragona, Spain, from 21st to 28th October.

Notice of Race, or pre-NoR's, will be published before the year end.

7.2 Future bids for World & Continental Championships included a very detailed proposal for Almere, Netherlands, to host the T293 Europeans in 2018, and T293 Worlds in 2019. The Committee would continue to evaluate other bids from Greece, Latvia, Sicily and Turkey.

Note – contact the [Class Secretary](#) for review of the two venues for 2017.

8. Techno 293 Plus

- 8.1 Ceri Williams confirmed the publication of the [2018 Youth Olympics Qualification System](#). He agreed to seek clarification regarding the scheduling (timetable) for the qualification events during the forthcoming World Sailing Conference in Barcelona.
- 8.2 Every effort was now being put towards finalizing the T293 Plus championship calendars for 2017 and 2018. Diederik Bakker reminded the meeting of the excellent conditions offered by Cesme, Turkey; with April/May and September/October the best periods.
- 8.3 The meeting remained in favour of back to back events with the T293 Class.

9. Elections

It was proposed to the AGM that the number of committee members be increased by one:
APPROVED – 23 YES; 1 NO; 3 ABSTENTION

The following candidate were elected to the committee:

Ezio Ferin ITA
Marc Cardon FRA
Marco Rossi ITA
Nevin Sayre USA (North American representative)
Winfield Zee HKG (Asian representative)
Grant Beck NZL (Oceanic representative)
Raul Saubidet ARG (South American representative)
Oli Woodcock GBR
Helen Bennett GBR
Bruno Marques BRA

APPROVED – 25 YES; 1 NO; 1 ABSTENTION

Note – The incoming committee will elect its Chairman and Vice Chairman.

10. Any other business

- 10.1 Euro Cup. It was proposed that a series of events, forming a Euro Cup, would give National teams the opportunity to gain international experience. The meeting was reminded that many regional cup series already existed, eg Baltic Cup, North Sea Cup, and new initiatives were being developed. Patrik Pollak outlined the experience gained by some central European countries from the Super Cup series.
- 10.2 Benoit Treguilly, representing Bic Sport, outlined some equipment improvements that were being developed including a boom with improved front and back ends. Full details to be circulated to the committee in the near future.