

The Events Committee will meet from 2000 - 2200 UTC on Monday 10 May and Tuesday 11 May online via BlueJeans.

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Present:

John Derbyshire (GBR)	Sofia Tedin (ARG)
David Abercrombie (NZL)	Guillaume Chiellino (FRA)
Aiko Saito (JPN)	Anna Holmdahl White (SWE)
Ben Remocker (CAN)	Daniel Belcher (AUS)
Eliana Fierro (MEX)	Gelly Skarlatou (GRE)
Graham Biehl (USA)	Ke Su (CHN)
Marco Predieri (ITA)	Marco Predieri (ITA)
Walter Boddener (BRA)	Markus Schwendtner (GER) Olympic Classes
Sofia Bekatorou (GRE) Athletes' Commission	Fiona Kidd (CAN) Team Racing
Charles Glover (GBR) Youth Events	Michael Röllich (FIN) Match Racing
In attendance:	
Sarah Kenny (AUS) Vice President	Cory Sertl (USA) Vice President
Alastair Fox (Director of Events)	Michael Downing (Olympic Manager)

1. Introduction from the Chair & Vice Chair

The Committee received an update from the Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

The Committee noted the minutes of the Events Committee meeting of 27 & 28 October 2020 and of 19 April 2021 (circulated and approved after the meeting). There were no matters arising from the minutes not covered elsewhere. The minutes can be downloaded at www.sailing.org/meetings.

Conflicts of Interest

The Committee notes the Conflicts of Interest register. It was noted that Ben Remocker and Markus Schwendtner would abstain from voting on matters relating to Regulation 23.

The Committee received an update from the Board and their meetings in 2021.

2. Regulation 23

The Committee noted the 'Yellow' Paper from the Events Committee meeting on 21 April 2021 regarding Submission 001-21.

The Committee received a report from the joint Events Committee & Equipment Committee Alternative Events Working Party. See Appendix A.

To review the following submissions and make recommendations to Council:

- (a) Submission M01-21 about individual Men's and Women's Kiteboarding events (Formula Kite) from the IKA Formula Kite Association Class, St. Kitts and Nevis and Sailing Association, Barbados Sailing Association, Trinidad & Tobago Yachting Association, Federacion Mexicana de Vela, St Vincent and the Grenadines Sailing Association, Antigua and Barbuda Sailing Association, Norwegian Sailing Federation – and Estonian Yachting Union and the Danish Sailing Association and the Federacion Dominicana de Vela.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Two submissions were approved and seconded, M01-21 and M02-21. The Events Committee ran a ballot vote between M01-21 and M02-21. M01-21 received 6 votes; M02-21 received 7 votes. There were 2 abstentions and 1 invalid vote. One Committee member was not present for the voting. M01-21 is therefore recommended as the second alternative event.

- (b) Submission M02-21 about individual Men's and Women's Two Person Dinghy events (470) from the International 470 Class Association, International 420 Class Association, Chinese Yachting Association and the Japan Sailing Federation.

Recommendation to Council: Approve

Two submissions were approved and seconded, M01-21 and M02-21. The Events Committee ran a ballot vote between M01-21 and M02-21. M01-21 received 6 votes; M02-21 received 7 votes. There were 2 abstentions and 1 invalid vote. One Committee member was not present for the voting. M01-21 is therefore recommended as the second alternative event.

- (c) Submission M03-21 about a Mixed Team Racing event (ILCA 6) from the Team Racing Sub Committee, endorsed by the Chairman of the Events Committee.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

Proposed but not seconded. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (d) Submission M04-21 about a Mixed Two Person Keelboat event (Star) from the International Star Class Yacht Class Racing Association.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (e) Submission M05-21 about a Mixed Match Racing event (4 person keelboat TBC) from the Match Racing Sub Committee, endorsed by the Chairman of the Events Committee.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

Proposed but not seconded. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (f) Submission M06-21 about a Mixed Match Racing event (Far East 19) from the International FAREAST 28R Class Association

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (g) Submission M07-21 about a Mixed Match Racing event (Keelboat TBC) from the Bermuda Sailing Association.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (h) Submission M08-21 about a Mixed One Person Keelboat event (2.4mR) from the International 2.4mR Class Association.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (i) Submission M09-21 about a Mixed One Person Dinghy Slalom Relay event (ILCA 6 & ILCA 7) from the International Laser Class Association.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (j) Submission M10-21 about a Mixed One Person Dinghy Team event (Finn & ILCA 6) from the International Finn Association.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (k) Submission M11-21 about a Mixed One Person Dinghy Team event (Finn & Europe) from the International Finn Association and the International Europe Class Union.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (l) Submission M12-21 21 about a Men's One Person Dinghy event (Finn) and Women's One Person Dinghy event (Europe) from the Bulgarian Sailing Federation.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (m) Submission M13-21 about a Men's One Person Dinghy event (Finn) and Women's Two Person Dinghy event (470) from the Finnish Sailing and Boating Federation.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (n) Submission M14-21 about an Open One Person Dinghy event (Finn) from the Finnish Sailing and Boating Federation and Estonian Yachting Union.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

- (o) Submission M15-21 about a Men's One Person Dinghy event (Finn) from the Swedish Sailing Federation.

Recommendation to Council: Reject

No proposer or seconder. See Appendix1 for the Events Committee & Equipment Committee Joint Alternative Submissions Working Party report.

The Committee reviewed a report from the Oceanic and Offshore Committee. It was agreed that the World Sailing Board and the Executive Office should take forward the points raised in the paper to the IOC and the Paris 2024 Organising Committee.

3. Tokyo 2020

The Committee received a verbal update from the Director of Events and Olympic Manager on preparations for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games.

The updated schedule was noted:

- Venue Soft Opening: 5 July
- Supplied Equipment Draw: 5 July
- Official Venue Opening: 14 July
- Field of Play open from 14 /15 July (TBC)
- Plans for 23 July (Opening Ceremony) being reviewed
- Equipment Inspection: 21 – 27 July
- Racing: 25 July – 5 August
- Closing Ceremony: 8 August

In addition the following key areas were being finalised / reviewed:

- NOC accommodation / travel plans
- Field of Play security
- Heat countermeasures and acclimatisation
- COVID-19 & Playbooks for NOCs and IF
- COVID-19 protocols (competition and venue)
- Media Operations, Mixed Zone, etc.
- Onboard cameras, microphones and trackers
- Final ITO team / flights / accommodation

It was noted the almost all quota places were now allocated with just the Finn European & African qualification places and the Tripartite Commission places to be confirmed.

4. Paris 2024

The Committee received a verbal update from the Director of Events and Olympic Manager on preparations for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Quotas & Qualification Working Party. See Appendix B.

The Working Party report focused on the overall quota reductions for Sailing at the Olympic Games given that there were 400 athletes at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games and only 330 for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games.

In addition, the challenges of the hierarchical order of qualification events, Continental Qualification Events and the possibility of a last chance regatta were discussed.

It was noted that the quota for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games could not be finalised until the final IOC decision on the Mixed Offshore Event.

It was agreed that at the 2021 Annual Conference for the Events Committee to recommend to Council:

- Final recommendations on the Quotas for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games
- Final recommendations on the Qualification System for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Format Working Party. The Events Committee approved the recommendation on Event names for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games (subject to the IOC decision on the Mixed Offshore Event):

- Men's Windsurfing
- Women's Windsurfing
- Mixed Kite Relay
- Men's Dinghy
- Women's Dinghy
- Men's Skiff
- Women's Skiff
- Mixed Dinghy
- Mixed Offshore
- Mixed Multihull

It was agreed that at the 2021 Annual Conference the Events Committee would make final recommendations on formats for the Paris 2024 Olympic Games to the Council.

5. 2021-2028 Event Strategy

The Committee received an from the Chair of the Calendar Working Party. It was noted that a full report would be made at the 2021 Annual Conference including possible changes to the Sailing World Championships in the future.

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Rankings Working Party. It was noted by the Events Committee that the Board ensures the Executive Office has the necessary budget to ensure the development of the new rankings database.

The Committee received a verbal report on The Hague 2023 Sailing World Championships from the Director of Events.

The Quotas and Qualification Working Party confirmed the qualification system principles for The Hague 2023 Sailing World Championships. Subject to the final IOC decision on the Mixed Offshore Event and a final review of quotas with the Organising Committee the qualification system was approved. See Appendix B.

6. Los Angeles 2028

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Regulation 23 Working Party. The report focused on the key focus areas of the Working Party:

- Resolve the current issues
- Guide Council in picking the best Events for our sport to put forward for the Olympic Games
- Guide Council in selecting the best Equipment for each Event

It was agreed that the Working Party would develop submissions for the 2021 Annual Conference.

7. Events Committee Sub-committees:

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Youth Events Sub-committee. The presentation included updates on:

- Oman 2021
- The Hague 2022
- 2023 process
- Strategic Review for the future including 2020 research findings

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Match Racing Sub-committee. The report included updates on:

- 2020 events
- 2021 events
- Plans for 2022 and beyond
- Rankings and the calendar

The Committee received a report from the Chair of the Team Racing Sub-committee. The report included:

- A review of formats
- Creating a global calendar
- Developing a ranking system
- Building a strategy from Youth to the Olympics

8. 2021 Annual Conference

The Committee noted the key priorities for the 2021 Annual Conference:

- Paris 2024 Quotas and Qualification System
- Paris 2024 Format
- Regulation 23 submissions
- Event & Equipment review for the Los Angeles 2024 Olympic Games

9. AOB

There was no other business.