

Cortez Racing Association

Minutes of Regular Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Date: Thursday, July 11, 2024,  
Location: SWYC

1. Call to Order: 1834

Roll Call: *Keith Ericson, Susi Graff, Colleen Cooke, Jerry Lewis, Chuck Bowers, Dale Greaney, Shelly Raming, Margo, Ryan Rogers, Rich Chambers*

2. Quorum – YES - *Article V: Section 7. Meetings: A regular meeting shall be held each month. Seven Officers shall constitute a quorum.*

3. Introduction of Guests: *NONE*

4. Announcements: *NONE*

5. Review and Approve Minutes: June 6, 2024 – *approved YES unanimous*

6. Treasurer's Report to include Accounts Receivable – *taxes filed – paid caterer for Commodore's Cup, paid for work on RC Boat Dennis Conner, no receivables, secured Portugese Hall for Annual Meeting*

7. Email Votes - *NONE*

8. Old Business

**CRA Race Check List -**

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18kLpicb\\_YzPcxa6udOI8pwK46ZLPEvoFu1lrSH91AQ/edit?ts=569810eb#gid=2135070042](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18kLpicb_YzPcxa6udOI8pwK46ZLPEvoFu1lrSH91AQ/edit?ts=569810eb#gid=2135070042)

- a. Beer Cans – need: sponsor for BC 8 & trophies & raffle prizes – *Chuck reports trophies and raffle prizes covered for BC 8*
- b. Commodore's Cup, 7/13,14 – need: sponsor, Saturday food and drink, Sunday venue & food & drink, Saturday/Sunday boat transportation, photographer – *Saturday catering covered, Sunday SWYC venue but no food, Buttercup offering to provide transportation, planning to give Buttercup some kind of appreciation gift for providing transportation help, photographer no, trophies will be flags*

- c. Sharp HospiceCare Regatta, 8/24/24 – need: trophies, photographer – *Dale working on trophies, pursuit start using PHRF with the help of SDYC Hot Rum raters, ask Sharp Hospice if they have secured a photographer*
- d. Dennis Conner Around the Coronados, 9/14 – *no action yet*
- e. Halloween Regatta, 10/26 – need: sponsor, permit, PRO, is SWYC confirmed for venue & food & drink? Photographer – *sponsor Doyle Sails, PRO Colleen,*
- f. RC boat “Dennis Conner” – monthly report by Colleen Cooke – *working on wood rot near old refrigerator*
- g. SDAYC Awards – *discussion*

## 9. New Business

- a. Port of SD Shellfish and Seaweed Aquaculture Proposal (see email from Colleen Cooke 7/10/24) – *discussion – potential interference with recreational boaters*
- b. Add the USSA Safety Equipment Requirements (SERs) to all CRA races, based on either *Nearshore* or *Coastal* courses (see email from Colleen Cooke 7/10/24) and identified as a DP (Discretionary Penalty) if violated. – *ratings systems do not consider safety – it is up to the OA – discussion – come back next month with items on the SER that would be difficult to make happen on your boat*
- c. Identify Keith Ericson as the Equipment Inspector and Technical Committee for all CRA events – *approved YES unanimous*
- d. Add the following rule to all CRA races: - Vote YES unanimous

*It is required and essential that your boat, while racing, be configured as represented on your rating certificate. Any competitor, the OA, or the Race Committee may call for an inspection of your boat. In the event your rating certificate does not specifically note modifications you must report those modifications when registering to race. This can be made into a permanent note to be attached to all future race registrations. **The OA retains the right to modify a boat's handicap rating based on its modifications.** Modifications include but are not limited to changes to: hull, rudders or other appendages, engine(s) and propeller(s), Interiors that significantly change from its original configuration, size but not weight of sails, spars and standing rigging, ballast amount or location, tankage (fixed or portable). Modifications that need not be reported include but are not limited to modifications to running rigging and associated gear such as blocks and fairleads. Displacement is either: (a) Measured as per ORR, or (b) As per designer/manufacturer specifications.*

e. 2025 Proposed Monthly Regatta Calendar

Winter Regatta	18 January
Mid Winters	15/16 February
March Madness	8 March
Tribute Regatta	12 April – note added by Secretary same day as Passover
Opening Day Regatta	10 May
Crown Cup Adha	7 June – note added by Secretary same day as Eid al-
CDRE's Cup	12/13 July
Sharp Hospice	23 Aug
DC Coronados	13 Sep
Halloween	25 Oct
Fall Regatta	15 Nov
Year End Regatta	13 December

2025 Proposed Beer Can Series Calendar

Beer Can 1	28 May
Beer Can 2	4 June
Beer Can 3	11 June
Beer Can 4	18 June
Beer Can 5	25 June
Beer Can 6	9 July
Beer Can 7	16 July
Beer Can 8	23 July

Beer Can 9                      30 July

Beer Can 10                     6 Aug

Notes: Monthly Regattas maintain in the same weekend of the year as they were in 2024. Easter 2025 is 20 April—no conflict. Mother's Day is 11 May, so we are in the same weekend with Opening Day Regatta (as we were this year) and I expect this will again be a poorly attended regatta due to number of events in May, Mother's Day, and college graduations; however, moving it one week to the right coincides with SWYC and SGYC Opening Day Weekends—recommend we maintain 10 May 2025 for Opening Day Regatta. If all other OAs keep their same schedule, I don't see any other major conflicts.

I moved Beer Cans one week to the right, and will make a motion at the meeting we do so. Reason 1) Moving the Beer Can right one week puts five races in front of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July pause, and 5 races following the pause. This would make the 4<sup>th</sup> of July pause more akin to Major League Baseball's All-Star Break—half the season complete, half the season remaining. Reason 2) was to move Beer Can 1 following the Coastal Cup. In our SWYC debrief of this year's Coastal Cup, there was a thought that Beer Can 1 could be driving down participation in Coastal Cup. I personally think we should consider advertising a San Diego Summer Sailing Season Series which starts with Coastal Cup, includes Beer Cans, and concludes with DC Around the Coronados.

*Discussion* —Colleen and Renee want the Beer Cans to start on the usual date compared to most recent years

10. New Member applications sent by email for approval vote since the last meeting – NONE

11. New Member applications (in need of approval) - *NONE*

12. Directors Reports:

Commodore: *SWYC asked help to ban Scott Tempesta because of actions at an after beer can party at SWYC*

Motion: current Board recommends to future Boards that Scott Tempesta not be accepted as a member of CRA. *Vote – Yes unanimous*

Vice Commodore: *vacant*

Rear Commodore: *no report*

Fleet Captain: *no report*

Secretary: *no report*

Treasurer: *no report*

Communications Director: *SDYC is running Cold Rum series on Wednesdays evenings after the Beer can series ends*

Director at Large: *not present*

Director at Large Ways & Means: *potential sponsor for Fall Regatta - Zhik*

Junior Staff Commodore: *no report*

PHRF Representative: *no report*

Membership Director: *not present*

Race Committee Chair: *markset bot needs parts and scheduled to arrive soon*

10. Adjourn 2043

11. Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, August 8, 2024