



International Tornado Class Association

AGM Notes 2015

Meeting started at 19.10

29 people are in attendance

People present

David Gunkel, Josef Gunkel, Roland Gaebler, Nahid Gaebler, Danny Paschalidis, Sarah Jentsch, Miroslan Falta, Allan Gamble, Frederic Mottier, Jean Charles Conan, Michalis Papadopoulos, Jiri Pavlis, Jean Pierre Gourlam, Kim Nicholas, Michel Zakarian, Philippe Tollemer, Christophe Chardin, Ialenti Jeremie, Marc Baier, Michaela Pavlisova, Brett Burvill, Kostas Trigonis, Maria Tsaousidou, Juergen Jentsch, Jean Caron, Zdenek Pavlis, Nikolaos Mavros, Alexander Tagaropoulos, Markus Betz

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1. Apologies for absence

Andrew Dowley

Peter Gibb

Jens Hefner



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2. Matters arising from last year's AGM

Last year there was a proposal to gain the ability to use multistrand wire for the diamond's rigging instead of the rod that we use now.

Everyone was in favour of that then, but after consideration the ITA decided to abandon any change regarding this point. The main reasons for this are that we are a ONE DESIGN class so we need a one design mast and that rod is very reliable till now as no damages are mentioned yet.

Country flags - The committee decided that we will include it to the championship rules for the coming World and Europeans.

Proposer: Brett Burvill, seconder: Markus Betz

3. Approval of the minutes of the last AGM

Proposer: Alan Gamble instead of Peter Gibb

Secunder: Markus Betz

4. President's Report

Thank you for every one of you for being here, we now have 4 completed races under a variation of conditions.

1. Yet another World Championship is on its way. We have moved from Ibiza, Spain to Perth, Australia and now to here in Carnac, France. 3 Seas; the Mediterranean, the Southern Indian Ocean and now the Atlantic – Morbihan „the small sea“!
2. The Tornado is a part of our life and our life-style.
3. The Tornado catamaran has proved to be an exciting boat over the last years from the first classic boats built by Redge White- Sailcraft, to the Denninger & Glas Boats. Then the Marstrom supplied the high standards with boats sailing successfully in many Olympic Games. We are happy to add another great boat builder to the list, this is our fast sailor Brett Burvill with the Windrush Tornados!
4. Media – approximately 2 and a half thousand Facebook friends follow us daily, especially when we are racing.
5. The trend is for most of the 5000 Tornado owners to participate in very local and long distance regattas, at Worlds and Europeans we tend to be somewhere between 25-32 Tornados. The participation in regional Regattas is in between 10 and 22 boats.
6. Mixed-Teams are increasing in numbers, making approximately a third of the participants. This was reflected at Lipno Lake, Czech Republic at the Europeans and here in Carnac.
7. We are very happy that our French friends of the Yacht Club Carnac, could have us back this week after 1981 for the 2015 ISAF Tornado Global & Mixed Worlds.
8. 10 local Teams are here, quite a few legends too!! Among them the Olympic gold medalist from Barcelona in 1992. My Friend Yves Loday.



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9. It's nice to see so many old faces; „Welcome back in the Tornado family. “
10. Thank you for the easy communication between the ITA and the organization of the Carnac Event.
 - a. YC Carnac,
 - b. the Association National Francoise de Tornado ,
 - c. the French Sailing Federation
 - d. The ITA, specially thanks our ITA- Committee member Jean Caron, he has managed to create a great get together, giving us all a warm welcome.

In Perth we had decided to improve our international media work, so that the class can better communicate results, photographs and news. I think this is working quite well, we also have put some emphasis on local media coverage and hope to target a larger crowd through this.

The ITA releases up to 600 Press and PR-Activity related articles, throughout the world.

Highlights/ Events 2015

Highlights:

Brilliantly organized ISAF Tornado World Championship on the Swan River between Xmas and New Year's, Nedlands Yacht Club, 30 Tornados from 10 Nations and a previous National Championship.

World Champions 2014: Dany Paschalidis – Kostas Trigonis, from Greece.
Global Mixed Champions: Roland and Nahid Gäbler, Germany.

2015:

German/Austrian/Swiss Open with 19 Boats (5 Nations), lake of Constanze, YC Rheindelta, Austria

1st Open & Mixed Champions were Roland & Nahid Gäbler

European Championships – Open & Mixed/Lake Lipno, mid-June
25 Boats, 10 Nations (GRE, GER, SUI, AUT, AUS, ITA, GBR, FRA)

New European Champions:

European Champions Open and Mixed, Roland & Nahid Gäbler, Germany,

Yacht Club Carnac, France 5-12th of September 2015: 27 Boats, 7 Nations

Future Events:

ISAF Tornado World Championships Global & Mixed and for the first time Junior Worlds 2016 will take place at:

Lindauer Segler Club, LSC, Lake Constanz, from 10th to 16th of June.

The Club of Veit Hemmeter, President of the German Tornado Class.



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European Championships Open, Mixed & Youth in Cesenatico, Italy from 22nd to 26th of July, Adriatic Sea

2017:

ISAF Tornado Worlds Yacht Club Thessaloniki, Greece or Yacht Club Italiano, Genoa, Italy

Europeans ???

2018:

Worlds (Ideas): Ibiza, Club Nautico Santa Eulalia,

Europeans 2018: Lake Garda, Torbole, Circolo Vela Torbole

I would like to thank the whole ITA-Committee for the great teamwork off the water, especially to our Secretary, Maria Tsaousidou and my wife Sarah – Events.

Maria mastered her first 6 months brilliantly, being in constant contact with Committee members, the ISAF and the national classes.

Herzlichen Dank!

5. Secretary's Report

Just around 8 months passed from my election in this position and had to cope with quite a lot of things. Many e mail exchange and skype meetings with the ITA, ISAF and international judges, in order to change our class rule regarding the beam construction, to find out how to manage the rigging matter for the diamonds and to try to fix the sailing instructions. With the most important issue to be the ballot for the class rule change that took place successfully this summer 22nd of June to 23rd of July.

Licenses

We are more than happy to announce WINDRUSH as an official Tornado builder company accepted by ISAF.

Wolfgang Heinemann, Cat sailing, Bad Wildungen, is now able to deliver new black Tornado booms.

Youth World and European Championships for 2016

In order to encourage young sailors sail the Tornado, we have added a Youth championship for both Worlds and Europeans (Open and Mixed) next year. So please communicate this to your countries and help younger sailors to enter this world.

Special thanks

I would like to give special thanks for their help to Jürgen with whom I was in constant communication to discuss every issue that came up and Andrew who gave me advice and helped me to replace him in his position.



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6. Treasurer's Report (22.12.2014 – 02.09.2015)

The total balance at the cut of date of 22.12.2014 was 28.365,01 € with the balance of 27.552,99 € at Raiffeisenbank Jungholz / Reutte – Austria, 798,02 € and 0,00 £ at PayPal and 14,00 € at Cash.

From the ITA Box no Spare Parts have been sold.

The Stickers with the amount of 1.529,26 € have been sold.

Membership fees with the amount of 6.551,49 € have been earned.

ITA Event fee of 3.860,00 € have been earned. The outstanding amount of 1.160,00 € from the WC 2013 in Ibiza is included.

The main expenses have been for promotion, like photos, calendar, travel expenses for ISAF meetings, membership cards, webpage, etc. in total of 4.110,14 €.

So we can close the Raiffeisen Bank account with a balance of 33.443,22 €, the PayPal account with 2.196,37 € and 400,93 £. Outstanding is 360 € from the Swiss Tornado Association. This means a total amount of 36.184,85 € is available on the cutoff date 02.09.2015 (calculated on 1,00 £ = 1,36 €). Starting with a total amount of 28.365,01 € this means an income of 7.819,84 €.

The Books have been checked by Markus Betz and Jared Eyles on the 06.09.2015 in Carnac France.

Proposer Alan Gamble

Secunder Dany Paschalidis

7. Event's manager Report

After various Events in the last few years such as : Worlds Ibiza, Perth and Carnac, as well as the Europeans in Lipno & Rohr spitz, I am proud to say that we have reached a better standard of the events with interesting content - on and off the water.

We are selecting the venues in different places on the globe, with the purpose of bringing the Tornado Community together again. Not only as a sailors but also as a community sharing an exciting, beautiful and challenging boat which is able to extract the "best out of each of us" on and off the water.

In the last years we've sailed the Mediterranean (Ibiza), the Southern Indian Ocean (Perth) and the Atlantic (Carnac). We were also on Lake Constanz (Rohrspitz) , Lake Lipno (Lipno), Lago Maggiore (Ascona) and Lake Garza (Torbole).

Our next Championships are: Worlds in Lindau, Lake Constanz, Germany (LSC) and Europeans Cessenatico, Adriatic Sea (Circolo Velisti) both venues take place in June so that we hopefully get some of our French comrades and Australians to make the trip combining it with family and friends.



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8. Class Rule's Change

Beam Section Rules

We had a written proposal that the class rule regarding the beam construction was not accurate so after preparing the accurate wording, we had a ballot and concerning this point the **93.9%** of the votes were in favour of the change. The result is forwarded to ISAF and we are waiting for their approval.

So before, an aluminium bulkhead was permitted inside the main and rear beam at the position of the inner beam bolt.

While now rule D.4.3. (e) is as follows:

Aluminium longitudinal or transverse bulkheads are permitted at any point within the main and rear beams.

This allows a different way of building the beams and fixes the rule to allow all current designs.

9. Events and class promotion in 2016

Worlds: 10th -16th June: Lindau, Lake Constanz, Germany

Europeans: 22nd -26th June: Cesenatico, Italy

10. Election of Auditors

Markus Betz and Alan Gamble offered to be auditors for 2016 in Cesenatico.

11. Election of Commodores of Honour

There were no recommendations for this position.

12. Retirement of Officers and Committee Members

Jens Hefner wants to retire from the event manager's position.

New event manager Josef Gunkel from Germany.
All in favour of his election.

Proposer: Alan Gamble

Secunder: Alexandros Tagaropoulos

13. The 2016 Committee

President – Juergen Jentsch (GER)

Vice President – Kostas Trigonis (GRE)

Treasurer – David Gunkel (GER)

Secretary – Maria Tsaousidou (GRE)



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Technical Committee Chairman – Leo Sanchez (ESP)

Technical Committee Member – Brett Burvill (AUS)

Technical Committee Member - Wolfgang Heinemann (GER)

Events - Sarah Jentsch (ESP)

Events – **Josef Gunkel (GER)**

Committee Member – Stefan Bernsdorf (SUI)

Committee Member – Peter Gibb (AUS)

Committee Member – Jean Caron (FRA)

Committee Member – Andrew Dowley (GBR)

The room voted on the 2016 committee and all were in favour, no one against.

14. Any other business

Make the video and photos available through the class website – Allan

Judges here suggested just 3 races to complete a championship, like the Olympic classes. All agreed to have at least 4.

Meeting finished at 19.50