

Lido 14 Class Association 2025 Annual Meeting Minutes

July 27, 2025

Submitted by Lido Class Secretary Jennifer Rohr

The meeting opened at 9:04 am on July 27th, 2025.

Butch Michel opened

Roll call. We had representatives from the following fleets:

Fleet 1: John Papadopoulos

Fleet 2: Paul Button

Fleet 6: Melissa Kirby

Fleet 7: Kathy Dryden

Fleet 8: Butch Michel is proxy for Bruce McDevitt - Fleet 8

Fleet 21: Stu Robertson

Fleet 25: Marty Parisien is proxy for Chloe Shaley – Fleet 25

Fleet 62: Earl Thomas

Fleet 81: Marty Parisien is proxy for Al Avey – Fleet 81

Fleet 82: Marty Parisien is proxy for Charles Queen – Fleet 82

Unattached Members in attendance: Butch Michel, Tom Jenkins

We have a quorum.

Craig Leweck spoke for a while about Charlie Cummings who was an avid Lido sailor who recently passed away.

Butch Michel asked for approval on 2024 annual meeting minutes. Tom Jenkins made the 1st motion to approve. John Papadopoulos was the 2nd. Minutes approved.

Officer Reports:

Butch Michel (President): Butch talked about the meetings that he runs with the fleet captains

Grant Hill (Vice President): Thanked everyone for coming down. Quality of sailing is great. MBYC took this on short notice. Talked about the struggle of getting clubs to host CCR's. Talked about going to PNW and how that didn't work. Grant mentioned that we are probably going to Huntington Lake next year. Steve Muller suggested we should look at Big Bear Lake soon.

2026 – probably Huntington Lake

2027 – TBD for now

2028 – Eugene, OR

Marty Parisien (Treasurer): Marty focused on trying to bring organization to the class. He bought us general liability insurance coverage for the Class. He updated everyone on the class association and the tax situation. We are now re-instated as a non-profit association. We file a 990 every year with feds and every other year with California. He talked about as long as funds don't exceed \$50k then we can self-report. Funds come in and then are disbursed again. He talked about things we pay: PO box, clubspot fees, insurance, transaction fees.

His two goals:

-adjusting the culture of the class. Get people to pay membership dues regardless of if they are going to CCR's. Clubspot isn't set up if people don't pay annually. Please tell everyone to keep paying their dues even if they don't plan to sail CCR's. Marty fixed Clubspot so people only get one invoice per year.

-Balance is \$26,000. Marty discussed his scholarship fund idea and how he is talking to someone who helps set up scholarships for other college sailors. Could someone spearhead this effort for this year? It could be set up on Clubspot.

-We discussed the possibility of raising fees. Glen Selvin discussed raising the class dues and Grant said we also need to get new members. Tom Jenkins mentioned that Eric said we have more younger members than he expected.

Tom Jenkins (Chief Measurer):

-working on preservation series of info for the website. How do we keep the boats going?

-thanked the fleet measurers for all of their hard work.

Jenn Rohr (Secretary): nothing to report

Director: Mark Ryan. Thanks everyone for the opportunity to serve. And mentioned Melissa being ready for her new role.

Director: Jenn Rohr read Tom McLaughlin's statement (reprinted at the end of these notes)

New Business:

#1: The Lido 14 2025 Executive Officers present the following By-Law change:

Article:

XII ELIGIBLE SLOOPS.

The new By-Law addition is (a) paragraph with all other and existing paragraphs renumbered and subsequent to this amendment:

Upon the sale/transfer of ownership of a Lido 14; the Lido 14 will be re-measured for a new Certificate of Measurement.

If the Lido 14 had a valid Certificate of Measurement at time of sale/transfer; the Lido will have a 6 month grace period, where the Lido 14 can compete under its previous Certificate of Measurement. The Lido 14 MUST complete a new Certificate of Measurement, for all Fleet, District, Regional or Class Championship Regattas within the 6 month window. If there is not a valid Certificate of Measurement for the Lido 14 at the time of the sale/transfer, the Lido MUST be measured before it competes in Lido 14 Class Racing.

Stu Robertson made the 1st motion.

Glenn Selvin made the 2nd.

Open for discussion.

Tom Jenkins discussed that some of the certificates of measurement are really old, like 30 years. He is trying to get everyone up to date.

John Papadopoulos: said that most of these boats have certificates that aren't up to date. He said that there used to be spot checks on boats to make sure that boats were in compliance. He said we should come up with a different plan. He thinks that the new idea won't make a difference. John says maybe we should come up with a new spec sheet – he doesn't think this proposal goes far enough. #2-he said most boats go to the novice sailors; he doesn't think that these new people will be able to get their measurements re-done. He thinks it's going to make it harder for young and new people. John wants it to be broader and different – wants it to go back to the drawing board.

Tom Jenkins: says it's a good way to bring people up to speed on the boat they have just bought.

Stu Robertson: doesn't see a problem with the new idea. Stu said it was easy when he recently had his very old boat measured. He thinks it's fine to bring everyone current. Thinks it's a great idea to move ahead with the new by-law.

John Gresham: at first he thought it would be hard on the measurement people. But he found out that most people are getting their boat measured when they buy them anyway. John G. thinks this is a good, small step to take for the class.

Tom Jenkins: incremental steps are good. Less than 10% of boats change hands each year. They discussed how it used to take days to measure the boats for racing. Just trying to simplify things.

Paul Button: agrees with the idea of the new amendment but doesn't want to overwhelm the measurers. Maybe some time in the future there will be a time when all boats get measured.

Grant Hill: might be a little bit of a burden, but thinks it's worth it.

Glenn Selvin: people want to get measured so they can see what they bought. Or should it happen before the sale?

Tom Jenkins: thinks most fleet measurers would be happy to weigh and measure the boat. Fleet captains could help with this too.

Earl Thomas: doesn't want to hinder people from buying boats.

We took the vote and it passed with 168 votes of 198 members:

Fleet 82: yes

Fleet 25: yes

Fleet 81: yes

Fleet 62: no

Fleet 21: yes

Fleet 8: yes

Fleet 7: yes

Fleet 6: yes

Fleet 2: yes

Fleet 1: no

Unattached:

Tom

Jenkins: yes

Butch

Michel: yes

New business.

Proposed Lido Class Association Slate of Officers for 2025/2026

President – Butch Michel

VP – Grant Hill

Treasurer – Marty Parisien

Secretary – Jenn Rohr

Chief Measurer – Tom Jenkins

Past President – Kathy Dryden

Director – Addie Cowen

Director – Melissa Kirby

Kathy Dryden asked for nominations from the floor. There were none.

Congratulations to all the board members.

Meeting adjournment:

John Papadopoulos made the first motion. Stu Robertson made the 2nd motion. Meeting adjourned at 9:57 am.

People bought up that we should move the meeting to zoom and to another date.

Reprinted here: Notes on being a Lido Class Director by Tom McLaughlin

Having served 2 years as one of two Directors in the Lido 14 Class, I will endeavor to pass on what I learned.

Directors are voting members of the Board, and stay informed and engaged in all aspects of the Class. Keeping the boats active through many generations of owners can be a challenge, but the Lido Class has been successful, mainly from dedication and continual efforts of many long time owners. We need to continue outreach to newer members that can share the leadership and blaze the trail forward to best serve todays Lido 14 owners.

The By Laws are pretty specific on the focus and scope of Director's responsibilities: mainly keeping the By Laws current, and addressing special projects and CCR staffing as needed.

During my tenure, we have made updates to the Class By Laws, but more work should be done to simplify and add clarity. As for forming special committees and helping the Vice Commodore with staffing the CCR, I have done little or nothing. (Marty has taken this on, but the record or other Directors involvement is spotty.)

Future projects I see as worthwhile are:

1. Add our incorporating documents to the web site as a reference for all sailors. If was feared these were lost in 2024 when we were resolving our tax status.
2. Review the By Laws with an eye for simplification. If we want Class members to comply, the document needs to be more straightforward. Possibly re-ordering some items would help, separating Class management from Class measurement rules. Also, scrutinize which rules within the By Laws may be outdated or ignored by the members.
3. Work closer with the Vice Commodore to source locations and staffing for future Class Championships. This is a big job, and needs a planning team to be most successful.

Like most volunteer organizations, many hands make the lifting easier. Our Lido 14 Class By Laws are clear as to how the work is divided, and if all the Officers approach their assignments with a good heart, the Class can sustain fun sailing activities well into the future.

Kind regards,

Tom McLaughlin

