

SLVYRA

Scheduling Report for year 2020 AGM

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My report in the winter of 2020 for the 2019 AGM indicated that Pierre Charbonneau (CVL) would be taking over the scheduling position. I would be resigning but supporting him in for the 2020 season.

Covid-19 changed many things. No 2019 AGM and no 2020 Racing season.

Although there was some limited activity all regattas were cancelled and so the regular work for the scheduler was not required.

We will try again this year and with luck we can build a schedule with the club's help and maybe we will see some racing in 2021.

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Tof's Report from the never held 2019 AGM is as follows.

The typical year of the scheduler is to collect and publish the events of the member clubs to the SLVYRA website. We had a very full calendar showing events from most member clubs.

The challenge starts with collecting each club's sailing schedule. Its important not to start too early as each club's plans can be adjusted all the way up to May 1st. As usual, getting any information from some clubs is difficult but in the end each club does eventually publish a schedule online. I then check each club's website for posted schedules which often allows for a complete schedule to be completed

With our new website and the use of google calendar integration, the complete calendar is prepared in a google sheet and when ready, it can be imported to the SLVYRA Google Calendar. Its quite a bit easier and less time consuming to prepare the calendar this way.

When events with conflicting dates are observed I consider if they are significant problems. If I think they are I will let each club know. Either they can reschedule or work with the club on setting up courses that don't overlap. There are many events but the clubs do try not to overlap. This is especially true now that the Royal is a participant in GNS on Lac St. Louis. The communication is greatly improved.

In 2019 I continued the simple promotion of calendar events using Facebook. The 'Coming Up' posts would be prepared in advance and scheduled to be published each Tuesday. They would

announce the upcoming weekend events. They were quite simple with a referral link in the post back to SLVYRA.COM . Overall, I think the reach was good. I have no statistics to prove this effort increased participation in events, but I am sure more sailors are informed about what is going on each weekend now that we have over 300 followers on our Facebook page.

At the last AGM I did suggest I would attempt to follow up each week with results listing. This proved too hard for one person who has a day job.

2019 was my last year as an active participant on the SLVYRA executive. I am resigning from the position of Scheduler. I will remain as Past President as long as I am so and will continue to re-post interesting items on our Facebook page. Its been a lot of fun and a challenge to promote sailboat racing in our region. Many thanks are due to the committees past and present for their contribution and support.

Please welcome Pierre Charbonneau as my replacement.

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