

MINUTES TM & SKIPPER MEETING ON 21 June 2024

Starts at 9.35am Ends: 11.20 a.m.

Members:

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The IMOCA class:

Antoine Mermod, René Boulaire, Claire Vayer, Noémie Provost, Marie Launay, Muriel Lamy, Thomas Jullien, Victorine Hamon, Imogen Dinham-Price-Samuel Valverde, Sea to See

Guests:

Stéphanie Ruchaud and Yannick Bersot (Vendée Globe) Jean-Marie Corteville (Défi Azimut) Johan Salen (The Ocean Race Europe)

Notes: M. Lamy

AGENDA

- Introduction
- Life on the IMOCA



- Sustainability

- Races:

2024: Vendée Globe-Défi Azimut

2025: 1000 Race Brest-Course des Caps-TOR Europe

- Technical

The TMS presentation is available online. The information below is complementary.

Vendée Globe

Registrations close on 1er July. Certain elements are missing. Send certificates of non-use to SAEM.

Reminder NY Vendée: For participants in this race, their deposit is also that of the VG. They can therefore deduct it from the deposit required for the VG. For the team concerned, please update your VG deposit.

Work on accreditations for the VG and catering. From 19 October to 10 November, catering will be available for teams. Price: €16 incl. VAT. A note on how to register will be sent out. Located in the crew area, inside the village, teams and organisers will be able to eat there.

The press conference on 2 July is not compulsory for the skippers.

Vendée info team planned? Yes, it's planned.

The teams would like to know the dates and places where the skippers will have to compete. An amendment is currently being drafted and will be communicated by 15 July.

It has been pointed out that the 15 July date is late for teams.

Yannick Bersot reminds us that we need to receive the pre-race visuals (boat decals) before July 1.

The VG will adapt to the constraints of teams who have not yet finalised their budget and therefore the decor.



Question from the teams: The VG is requesting that the dock sail be fitted with the VG marking. However, there are already 8 VG logos. The dock sail is in the measurement rule.

The teams don't want to change their dock sails. They feel that there are already a lot of VG logos. It's hard to make the most of the markings of the teams' partners, the balance is broken.

Discussions ensued.

The teams want to know how the VG is going to promote the teams.

Answer: The Vendée will be showcasing the skippers, sponsors and projects in a 1500 m² exhibition.

Mention of the mainsail rings coming unstuck on the sails. The service provider will be contacted.

Azimuth Challenge

The RI will be sent by e-mail on 5 September.

Jean-Marie Corteville has confirmed that it is possible to accommodate all the IMOCA boats wishing to register at Lorient La Base. He needs to know the number of registrants to finalise the space required.

However, some teams want to be sure of having a place in port before they sign up.

Jean-Marie indicates that he should be able to communicate this on 30 June.

The notice of race will be published on the website at the same time as registration opens.

The sports commission will be discussing the format of the Défi Azimut.

The Notice of Race will be published in the last week of June.

1000 Race Brest

Closer to the concept of the Azimut challenge, it's a chance to get to grips with the boats. The race is scheduled for the 1st week of May. Runs, reduced offshore race, race



in the Iroise Sea on Sunday. The sporting committee has to decide whether it's a two-handed or crewed race. Co-produced with the Class, it's adaptable.

Gwen Chapalain raised the possibility of changing the date, as the teams felt it was a little early.

Course des Caps

Crewed race, start and finish in Boulogne sur mer. Great welcome and investment by the town for the infrastructure (pontoons). 15 days of racing with 5 days in the village.

Arrival on Sunday 6 July, with good visibility as the Tour de France cyclists will be there that day.

The race will be officially announced in September.

TOR Europe

On 10 July at 9.30 a.m., an information call for teams will be held by videoconference. An invitation will be sent out separately.

30 July: Deadline for registering for TOR without paying the registration fee. Document to be handed in and deposit to be paid.

Last week of November: conference in Alicante for project managers and sponsors. More information to follow.

The end of TOR Europe between 15 and 20 Sept 2025 at the latest to allow boats to take part in the TJV.

The organisation is currently working on setting up the bases. For the time being, the race starts from Kiel in Germany, with a stage planned either in England or on the French Atlantic coast, a stage in Galicia, one in Cascais, one on the Spanish Mediterranean coast, possibly two stages in the south of France, Genoa and a finish in Montenegro. The route is to be finalised before the end of July.

Registration fee: €25,000. Free if registered before 31 July.

Response from the teams: We need to have the definitive route before we can register. Johan says he'll have the route on time, except for one or two stages.



Technical

Publication of RDC 2028. Validation by the TC for online publication.

A reminder of the major changes.

New mast contracts: spare mast option?

If we manage to finalise the captive, we could have a programme to finance the spare mast. We can think about collective financing.

Question on the captive: Antoine is hoping to propose something for the end of the summer. We're very close to coming up with a proposal.

A specific meeting on the eco score tool will be proposed so that everyone can familiarise themselves with this tool.

Reminder: The TC is open to all teams. A report is posted online each time and is used as the basis for discussions. René invites participants to consult them.

The 2 mast, with its increased safety coefficient (weight gain), is leading us to modify and reflect on the stability of the boats. Stuck on certain parameters (area ratio).

Next AGM: proposed rule changes to ensure proper integration. Removal of the area ratio to make it easier to integrate reinforced masts and new masts for ALL boats.

No confusion : we are talking about Rule 2028. The boats are currently on Rule 2025. We're talking about what comes next.

Mast 1: if reinforcement, have an identical plan for everyone. Standardisation of reinforcements.

Production of mast 1 will be stopped. Existing boats will be able to change masts. The adaptation must be made in the most reasonable way possible by playing on the area curve.

Reliability and improvements to the loop are on the agenda for the next few years.

Agenda



Board meeting dedicated to the race programme on 1er July. Next TC Wednesday 10 July 14:00 Next TMS on 6 September at 9.30am