

# Organizing & Motivating a Strong Race Committee Group

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# Introductions

Audience

Presenters



# Objectives

What do you want from this session?



# Agenda

Presentations & Q & A's

Discussion

Resources



# Stages of Making a Strong RC

- Identification of skills/people required
- Recruiting
- Training
- Running Races
  - Practice
  - Actual
  - Motivating
  - Rewarding
  - Equipment



# People Identification

- Positions Needed
- Skill Level
- Spares
- Longer-term



# Recruiting

- Your Club
- Other Clubs
- Class Association
- Regional Organizations
- Friends of Friends
- Crew/Fleets



# Training

- Panel Experience





# Running Races Practice



# Running Races Actual

- Signal
  - Timer
  - Flags
  - Sounds
  - Recorders
- Weather Mark
- Pin
- Finish Recorders
- Other



# Running Races Motivating



# Running Races

## Rewarding

- Team building
  - Sub team building
- Trinkets and Trash
- Recognition
  - Public
  - Personal
  - Follow on



# Running Races Equipment

- Boats
- Marks
- Tackle
- Signal Boat
  - Flags
  - Sounds
  - Wind
  - Toys



# Signal Boat – approximately 30' club

## RC boat

- Operator/anchoring/X flag
- PRO
- Spotter/navigator
- Flags/finish recording
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- Timer
- Optional extra 1-3 people if the boat is bigger



# Port-line Boat – approximately 24' center console

- Operator/recorder
- Race officer/spotter/radio
- Optional third person for anchor and spotter assist



# Gate and Weather mark boat – approximately 26'

- Operator
- Race Officer/radio
- Optional third person for anchor assist





# More Questions & Answers



# Discussion



# Summary

Volunteers:

Make them wanted, welcome and  
warm



# Resources

- [www.sailing.org](http://www.sailing.org)
- [www.ussailing.org](http://www.ussailing.org)
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