

PLEASE NOTE: These results were returned mostly by owners, but in some cases by crew. Comments are unedited except that I took out boat names in a few cases and fixed some spelling errors. There was no question #6 (seems to be a tradition). Some questions were left blank. A total of 21 responses were received from 19 boats.

SURVEY RESULTS ON KWRW 2006 PARTICIPATION:

1. How would you classify your experience at Key West in 2006?

- 16_ Enjoyed the event totally
- 5_ Good learning experience
- ___ Fun, but would only do once
- ___ Did not meet my expectations

Comments:

2. The chances that I will participate in KWRW 2007:

- 9_ Will be there for sure
- 10_ Likely
- 1_ Unlikely
- ___ Definitely WILL NOT be at Key West in 2007

Comments:

3. How did you feel about race committee work?

- 9_ Top notch
- 9_ Very good
- 2_ Room for improvement (please specify)
- ___ Poor

Comments: J-105's were catching too many Melges...fleet spacing was horrible. It used to be that we caught up to the bottom 20%...this year we were rounding the top mark with the bulk of the fleet.

Maybe should not have raced on Wednesday. However, we all have the choice whether to fly a spinnaker or not.

Not sure the Melges should have been racing on Wednesday. They apparently felt the same way. We had too much carnage and debris to dodge!

4. How did you feel about the inspections?

- ___ Too intrusive and time consuming
- 20_ Just about right
- ___ Not thorough enough

Comments:

5. Which would increase the likelihood of your participation (check all that apply, unless you're "fer sure" in question 2)?

- ___ More social activities
- 3_ More help with transport
- 1_ More help with lodging
- 2_ More help on logistics in general
- ___ More awards
- 1_ More races
- ___ Better administration of class rules
- 3_ Other

Comment: MORE MONEY

Would like to find an alternative to the Truman Annex temporary boat yard.

Causes outside of our control

7. Check all that apply to this year's heavy air regatta?

- 7_ Crew member(s) seasick
- 1_ Crew member(s) injured
- ___ Spars damaged
- 7_ Minor sail damage
- 3_ Major sail damage
- 7_ Other equipment damage

Explain: Instruments knocked out.

Stbd jib block failed...which after some discussion Harken replaced free of charge.

No damage or crew sick. After 8 years of owning my J...I continue to be impressed with how solid the boat is and how easy it is to sail in all sorts of conditions.

New Ulmann/Skelley jib parted at top panel seam; 3 Harken main blocks blew up; stanchions bent and crew hurt when crew members fell into lifelines during jibes; spinnaker tear; multiple cell phones & wallets

drowned from water through the hatches.

Blew out our main and #2 spinnaker. Also blew the backstay hydraulics.

Emergency tiller pin worked itself loose as it only had one clevis pin in it from manufacturer. As a result, we lost steerage and in attempting to avoid collisions at the start of race 6, the steering wheel and internal pieces were bent. Everyone should pull off the cap to their emergency tillers and make sure the 6" pin has two pins holding it in place.

Incredibly enough, we hit 20 knots of boat speed surfing on Tuesday, wiped out badly two times in a row on Wednesday, and never really tore a sail or hurt spar!

8. Are there any conditions that might decrease your likelihood of participating?

12 No, not that I can think of

6 Yes (Specify)

Comments: My financial condition deteriorates.

Entry fees/boatyard fees/tent fees all seem to be rising quickly, I can imagine a day when the regatta simply becomes too expensive.

Except for Key West, no 4 day regatta.

Fewer participants. Better rule coherence this year: especially at starting line.

Ever-increasing costs of transport and launch.

Cost is a factor.

9. What did you think of the Saturday night party? (check all that apply)

7 Attended it, great thing to do before the competition

4 Attended it, but was disappointed (explain)

___ Missed it, forgot

3 Missed it, wrong time or place

4 Missed it, too tired or too much to do

2 Other (Explain):

Comments: Got there a little late.

Would prefer a location where everyone is a 105 sailor, but that may not be feasible. Also, the rat running around the dining room made us uneager to dine there again.

New boat, first time commissioned, simply had too much to do.

Not much turnout.

Our arrival in KW was delayed and we ended up putting the boat together into the evening on Saturday

We attended at the appointed time but somehow missed the stage announcements and introductions. Would be best to get a separate space if possible. But thanks to all for organizing.

I was somewhat overloaded in my own crew/boat logistics.

10. Would you like to remain on the J/105 class e-mail list for KWRW 2007?

20 Yes, keep me informed (about a dozen total e-mails)

___ No, take me off the list

Responses received from:

RUM AT SIX, BAT IV, GUMPTION3, J'MAKIN' WAVES, CONVEXITY, JESTER, SAVASANA, BAMBINO, VINDICATOR, FORERUNNER, FLAME, JATO, JAVA, CARESS, GRACE O'MALLEY, ALLEGIANCE, CHEMICALLY ADJUSTED, ZUNI BEAR