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Dear J/111 Owner,

Thank you for your participation in the growth of the J/111 Class to date. The J/111 has had exceptional success in its short history. The boat is now in its fifth production year, and there are more than 115 boats sailing in 17+ countries. Two North American Championships have been held, and the first World Championship took place last August in Cowes, UK. At least 25 boats are expected to participate in the 2015 Worlds in Newport this June.

One design events have taken place in the UK and France, as well as San Francisco, Chicago, Harbor Springs, Newport, Annapolis, Key West and Charleston in the USA. Two years ago, the International Sailing Federation (ISAF) granted the J/111 “Recognized Class” status, which allows the Class to hold continental and world championships. During this initial development period, J/Boats took the lead in establishing the Class Rules, website and helping the coordination between fleets.

Last autumn, as a first step toward transitioning to an owner-run J/111 Class Association, a steering committee was formed comprised of several active J/111 owners who are either active/leading members of a current fleet or who actively travel with their J/111s in support of major events. This Steering Committee has met four times by conference call since November, and the Class plans to have its first Annual General Meeting (AGM) at the World Championship in Newport.

It is now time to formalize the J/111 Class membership. A strong owner-based community can add so much to the enjoyment of owning and sailing a boat as well as enhance the boat’s value. This link www.j111class.org/members/j111membership will take you to a membership registration page where you can officially join the Class. With your help, the membership fee will support the strong administrative support needed to transition to an owner-run J/111 Class Association.

If you have any questions, contact me at howell@j111class.com

Sincerely,

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