

Appendix 1

Note from Simon Hextall

"Dear All

Re: Fireball twin pole system

Having sailed fireballs for many years both as a crew and helm and more recently returning to the fleet this year with my wife crewing , we have realised that we would be struggling with the conventional pole system. Having seen the twin pole system used on many other boats we asked Dave Winder to install this system onto our new fireball.

Once up to speed with the system we find it very easy to use whatever the breeze, in fact the windier the weather the better. The system allows us to be competitive. If it wasn't for the twin pole system we would not be able to compete in the fireball fleet.

We feel that the introduction of the twin pole as an option will enhance and promote the fleet . We are thoroughly enjoying our time in the fireball and hope to be competing on the circuit. We would like to thank the fireball executive for giving us permission to use this system on a trial basis and hope to continue to use the system going forward.

Kind regards

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