

29er Association Committee #4
Conference Call Meeting 8.00pm Thursday 1st December 2005

There was a problem with setting the call up. MC to investigate.

MC

1. Present

Jane Fletcher, Dave Hall, Barbara Walker, Mark Collingwood, Stuart Humphreys, Andy Fielder, Andrew Martin, Peter Cooper, Nigel Sign, Arthur Allen, Sophie White.

2. Apologies

None

3. Notes of the last meeting

Accepted

4. AOB

DH added sub-committee for Nationals

5. Treasurer's Report

Change of 29er Bank A/C

- BW reported that the switch from Halifax to HSBC. MC and AM to go to their local HSBC branch to proof identity ASAP.

MC/AM

Open Training Costs

- BW reported that open training was not covering costs and needed a review. She suggested perhaps £60 per boat for two days and one day £40 per boat, at least, to break even. BW also suggested that events in Weymouth required an additional premium of between £10.00 and £20.00 per boat.
- BW, AM & PC to agree prices of early 2006 training events so the entry form can be published.

BW/MC/PC

6. Secretary's Report

Indemnity Insurance Cover

- SH reported that Officer Indemnity Cover for committee members would cost £300 for cover of £100,000
£400 approx for £250,000
- The existing insurance policy costs (excluding indemnity cover) was £451.00
- SH suggested that we didn't need it that we should be doing a risk assessment for each event/training exercise we undertake.
- AA pointed out the possible danger of giving advice, and then things going wrong, and related it to his experience as a measurer.
- BW, AM and SH to form a working party to investigate and make proposal to the next meeting.

BW/AM/SH

CRB Checks

- SH said that although everyone on the committee is required to have a CRB check by the 29er constitution, the Child Protection Officer at the RYA, Jackie Reid, had told BW that she did not need a CRB check in her role as Treasurer.
- MC said that those who have not yet applied should wait until the situation is clarified.

- SH agreed to put our concerns in writing to Jackie Read and request written guidance. SH

7. Training

- MC said the Weymouth event on 10/11 Dec. was over-subscribed, but as it is a selection event we did not want to deny any boat a place. PC was looking to get a RIB down there to provide additional cover.
- Feb training camp is during half term and uses up credits with respect to RIB agreement with Draycote. It was agreed that because of lack of suitable accommodation and difficulties in running a house parent system this should not be residential and that everyone should sort their own accommodation.
- MC reported that Rutland can only be a one-day event, but sailors welcome to join club racing on the Sunday and leave boats for the Open the following weekend.
- 1st /2nd April. Weymouth and Castle Cove not available. The Powerboat Centre to be investigated. PC/MC
- Ullswater - minimum 6 boats or not doing. Needs to be costed on 6 boats only to make sure cover costs and discussed with northern reps. BW.MC
- Pre-Nationals training to be sorted later once more details of the Nationals have been fixed with HISC.
- Training entry form required. MC/PC

8. Racing Programme

- Mike Jones has requested a meeting at Island Barn. DH
- DH reported the Europeans to start 4th July and to be at Denia on south coast of Spain, near Valencia. DH to advise exact dates and duration. DH
- DH requested setting up a Nationals sub-committee to work on the NOR, sailing instructions and socials. It was suggested that the main summer socials be at the Worlds DH/MC/SW
- AM flagged up that International attendees need to be able to pay in advance for nationals and suggested using IBAN. BW
- DH reported that the NOR for the Worlds is sorted. The next job is the socials.
- Measurement Clinic to be run before Worlds. Possibly 22/23 April (Draycote) or 25/26 March (Rutland) which is also before the Youths. DH/AA to agree. DH/AA
- AM suggested a simple jig to measure forestay would be helpful. AA agreed to take this forward and make some up. AA
- Committee agreed AA's request to have scales tested.(Cost approx £50.00) AA

9. Grand Prix Series

- It was agreed to re-visit the decision not to continue the GP series.
- JF suggested series suggested without reference to North and South venues and perhaps with prizes for newcomer/young sailors/new entries to class.
- MC to propose series/races/events so budget can be agreed and if appropriate amounts levied at each GP event. MC

10. 29er RIB

- MC to procure a hitchlock.

11. Website

- All the committee members were impressed and very pleased with the work that AF had done on the website. The feedback on the site had been very positive.
- MC requested that we send any news to AF to keep the site up to date. Everyone

12. Membership

- NS Pointed out that we needed to make sure that form is on website NS/AF
- NS said that renewal reminder will be sent out in January.
- AF said he would post a news item at beginning of January if one was sent to him. NS
- Paying-in book for membership subscriptions required by NS. Halifax account not closing yet so NS can still pay cheques etc into Halifax account at present. BW
- NS wanted to know how many copies of the Yearbook should be printed. 200 agreed. NS
- MC said that if people don't receive emails they need to contact NS and let him know and provide a correct email address.
- NS overall membership was looking good. We have more members at this stage than we had last year.

13. Recruitment into the 29er

Sailors Guide to the 29er

- SH reported that regrettably Huw was behind with the project.
- AM agreed to take the task on and asked SH to provide the headings to write to. SH/AM

Dinghy Show

- AM has arranged plasmas for stand. Bluebird TV donating all footage from Tide Ride
- Other footage to be taken from Training. AM/MC
- Rota needs sorting. Nat and TT Squads to do their bit, but also parents required. JF to help AM draw up a rota for the 29er stand JF

14. Loch Lomand Incident

It was reported that three sailors involved in the rescue have been nominated for RYA Young Sailor of the Year.

MC to discuss recommendations with Bryan Visser. MC

15. Date of Next Meeting

Thursday 19th January 2006 8pm

Hon Sec
SH