

Minutes – 29er Committee Meeting

HISC Race Management Suite - Sat 16th July 2016

Present: Paul Hammett, Tim James, Anna Wells, Steve Norbury, Tommy Darling, Hatty Ward, Ellie Walton

Via Phone: Ditta Neumann, Chris Hewitt
In attendance: Sue Ormerod, Ian Jameson

1.0 Finances Update – Anna Wells

AW outlined in broad terms the 2015 financial position. The Class had made a significant surplus even allowing for the pre-payment of some entry fees. Cash surplus is c£45,000 with £16,000 in the RIB account once allowing for pending incoming and outgoing.

2.0 Nationals Update – Tim James

TJ reported that the Nationals were on track. 69 people signed up (68 GBR) at the time a little short of the 75 expected but ok from a practical & financial perspective. A volunteer roster has been set up by Clive and will go live on the Our Club admin site in the following week. The SI's and RMP were progressing and expected to be published next week.

Discussion - Sailors views were requested on whether they wanted a 1 day finals or not. Preference for a Final series even if one day. 1 race however required for a series to be completed. TD asked if points or places would be carried forward, PH confirmed places not points.

3.0 Committee Update – Paul Hammett

PH advised that it was proposed that Sue Omerod replace David Nicholls with immediate effect as Welfare Officer

Further proposed Sally Budden to replace Anna Wells with immediate effect as Treasurer until the Nationals

Approved - both co-opted to the committee

4.0 Training Update - Steve Norbury

Open and Invitational Training was all confirmed for 2016/17. Discounts could be offered if three or more training sessions were booked at the same time. Discussion took place on whether the training price should be increased on last year. Agreed to keep entry price the same as 2015/2016.

Invitational training- PH suggested to have one weekend exclusively for all girls training and this to include girls from youth squad. SN will need to contact Nick Reading to see if any of the FX sailors would be available to coach.

5.0 Bursary Awards

To select recipients of the 29er/JMST awards - All

There had been applications. With the additional £1,000 JMST funds and £1,000 from the UK Class decision made to allocate awards to 11 of the 12 applications. Given need to comply with the wish to build the class a decision made to award 11 but not HISC after show of hands. Some preferred all 12 but by a clear majority 11 were awarded as below. To be £180 for coach wages and expenses up to a max £180.

Accepted

Yorkshire Dales Sailing Club
Bough Beech Sailing Club
Poole/ Parkstone Yacht club-Rockley
Paignton Sailing Club
Queen Mary Sailing Club
Ullswater Yacht Club
Chew Valley Lake SC
Royal Tay Yacht Club
Largs
Cardiff Bay Yacht Club
Plas Heli, Pwllheli

Rejected

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6.0 Support at the Worlds – Paul Hammet/Steve Norbury

PH/SN outlined the plan to offer Event support to the 42 UK 29ers going to the Worlds with 6-10 boats being supported by the RYA. We will have Tom Walker in an RYA RIB and the Class RIB with parents. As there are 3 courses non-RYA sailors may have to rely on RYA RIBs or friendly on one course. The total cost for the Class is approx. £1,500-£1,750 in line with previous estimates and therefore an effective subsidy to the 84 UK sailors of approximately £18-20 a head.

7.0 Carbon Rig – Paul Hammet

It appears there is no desire to push forward in 2017 for a vote on the rig. Chris Turner will be taking a role on the development and the earliest World Council vote would be 2018 (we think).

8.0 Sprints Update – Paul Hammet

PH updated that 13 events in the diary so far with good geographical spread. All on track with GWSC in terms of the Finals.

9.0 AOB

IJ asked about the RIB policy and wanted to understand the process as new to the 29er fleet. PH gave a brief outline but asked that IJ chat to Barry Jobson as he is currently writing the RIB policy up. IJ agreed to do so and add a newcomer's perspective.

TJ suggested that we have a prize category for 1st junior girls at all GPs' and future Nationals- All agreed

Discussion took place on whether the buddy system should be re-introduced at events as the newcomers may welcome a 29er mentor- More discussion required on how to implement this.

29er Tuning guide - Tommy Darling to look into putting together with other experienced sailors a guide on tuning to help less experienced 29er sailors

10.0 Next Meeting

At Nationals - RTYC