

29er Committee Meeting Minutes

3rd March Telephone

Those Present: Chris Evans, Mark James, Simon Mueller, Nia McCallum, Sally Bristow, David Ibbotson, Matt Stein, Ian Jameson, Carol Llewellyn-Jones, Lisa Black, Athena briefly

Apologies Bear Sturrock, Jess Jobson, Finn Armstrong, Will Adler, Emma James, Will Willett, Katie Peters

Minutes of Last meeting

Error in attendees, should read Katie Peters not Katie Wilkinson.

Matters arising

Places are now backfilled for NCS and development squads. Thanks given to Nia and Clive with the new website going live.

Ian to discuss kit with Jane Sunderland at the Youths in April.

Chris Evans to talk to Chris Atherton about the future support from RYA which at the moment is £6000 and the money is used for admin and paying Alice for coaching. The feeling is it will stay as it is but will get confirmation soon.

Membership

Mark, Lisa and Chris put figures together for the recent RYA stake holders meeting. Membership is up, GP attendance is up. Analysis showed that the numbers peaked in 2016 and dropped off coinciding with the transition squad stopping. We are now back to those numbers. There are 5 boats signed up for their first GP and 18 boats training at Hayling a proportion of which have not done a GP yet. We have a 12-year-old sailor who will not be eligible for the Worlds as their age limit is 13, the sailor is aware.

Treasurer's update

Lots of membership payments are in, it looks like there was a £13000 loss for last year, but real loss is not that due to payments being put into wrong period in previous years.

This year events are returning a small profit, training is running at a loss but membership, RYA and sponsorship should fill the gap.

Hopefully, Worlds and Nationals will make a profit to refill account. The training was always known to be loss making.

Bank mandate: Simon Mueller proposed that Mark James should be authorised to sign as Secretary where necessary for the purpose of updating the bank mandate and that this authorisation will continue until the position of General Secretary is filled or Mark is no longer a committee member. This was seconded by Chris Evans and voted in agreement by all present with no objections.

Sailing

South Carnarvon is now confirmed so all GPs are now in place for 20/21 season. The date for the 2021 Youths has not been announced yet. Race officers are sorted for all but Abersoch but is in hand. Waiting for international dates before the dates for Nationals in Largs are confirmed - will need to be 8-15 Aug time gap. Should plan for lower numbers.

21/22 Season

The Nationals are going to be at Torbay, the Youth Nationals are an unknown.

Squad qualifiers - agreed to book Weymouth and either Pwllheli or Abersoch for the second one to make more accessible for sailors from Midlands, North and Scotland.

The Worlds are in Denmark and the Europeans in Spain.

Nationals

We are ready to go with notice of race and entry - agreed to wait for Corona Virus updates before opening.

We need 90 boats to break even, would make £5860 with 150 boats and 190 and above would make around £10000.

Entry of £325 includes socials but not coach support. 15 coach boats anticipated at £100 each, have already had 30 international enquiries.

Ian to look at self declaration form.

Anyone with boats to loan/charter can put them on Facebook, we don't want any official support or involvement. Discussion over weighing of any new boats never weighed. Ian to source scales. Forestays can be measured at nationals or maybe Hayling GP.

Worlds are delaying entry for 2 weeks to wait for Corona Virus updates and we have no financial commitments so far. Will be discussed further at Weymouth GP 1/4/20 if necessary.

Summer Event Support

Much discussion over everything agreed to reconvene in a week to revisit.

Second Session 10th March

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Apologies, Will Willett, Katie Peters, Lisa Black, Ian Jameson,

No Sailor Reps

Summer Support

After much discussion, the following was decided

- 1, No funding for the Europeans. Offer of class rib available or assistance hiring rib in situ. Class rib to be insured for use.
2. Nationals. Coach support at £250 per boat, 3 coaches in 3 ribs planned with an early closing date and payment.
3. Worlds. £3000 subsidy any extra costs paid by users. 1 Coach in a boat, for briefings no on water coaching. 4 ribs with parents.

Coaching

Initially had 46 boats apply but after squads etc only 24 took up training. Class squad started with 8 boats now up to 12. Going forward NCS 12 boats. Development 12 boats and open training.

Matt says from feedback clarity and dates being fixed for planning are essential.

First training to be 17th October.

GP 1 and 2 to be selectors 5th Sept and 19th September

Open training at present very costly with 1:3 coaching ratio, still lose money with 1:4. Are there ways to get this cheaper – coaches stay with families, clubs lead training or parents?

Committee places

We have lots of places to fill on committee for next year,

Vice Chair	Sailing	Training	General Secretary	Marketing
Measurement	Nationals			

Will send/do a briefing to parents to get volunteers.