

Annual General Meeting (AGM) Minutes

Dated 19th August 2022

Meeting held during the Class Nationals at the Royal Torbay Yacht Club on 11<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 7.45pm

Welcome and Apologies

1. The Chairman welcomed all 40 members to the meeting and noted that there were no apologies sent. The Chairman being satisfied that the meeting was quorate then proceeded with the business.
2. The Secretary confirmed that no additional motions had been received and therefore the agenda for the AGM was to be as published in the calling notice.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting and Matters Arising

3. The Secretary stated that the AGM minutes for the 2021 Annual General Meeting had been published on the Class website since the last meeting and asked for any amendments. There being none, Simon Mueller proposed and Victor Brellisford seconded a motion that the minutes were a true and accurate record of that meeting and the members agreed by a show of hands. There were no matters arising.

Treasurer's Report

4. Mr Simon Mueller, Class Treasurer, had circulated a report and the set of accounts on the financial status of the Class prior to the AGM. He briefly summarised the accounts status and that of the financial health of the class.
5. He commented that, as is normal, that some years that the class overspent and some underspent and this is to be expected as member numbers fluctuate. The underlying financial position of the class and cash reserves allow for this natural fluctuation. Cash as of the date of the AGM was approximately £63,000 which is adequate for this purpose.
6. He commented that for the current financial period [FY 2021/22] that he expected the class for make a modest loss in the region of £5,000. However, this is expected to be offset by the Class Nationals in 2023 which is immediately prior to the 29er Worlds 2023.
7. A motion that the class accounts are a true and accurate record was made by Matt Stein and seconded by the Chair, Phil Lightbody. The members accepted the accounts by a show of hands.
8. The current Treasurer and General Secretary are both handing over to new incumbents. The AGM authorised the Chair, the incoming and outgoing Treasurers, the incoming and outgoing General Secretary's to update the bank mandates, correspondence addresses and any other matters relating to the change of committee members.

Chairman's Report including note on training

9. The Chairman, Phil Lightbody, gave a precis of the success of the class over the past 12 months. He noted:
  - a. That the Class had carried out 5 Allen Grand Prix events along with a Winter Championship and the Ovington Championships.

- b. He congratulated Freddie Westwell and Freddie Lonsdale for their winning the Allen GP series by a single point from Ben Mueller and Sam Webb.
  - c. This calendar year we had, unusually, seen 2 Youth World events and that the UK class members had done particular well at both these events. Congratulations go to Emily Mueller and Flo Brelisford, Leo Wilkinson and Sam Jones, Ellen Morley and Hazel McDonnell, and Santi and Leo for representing the UK.
  - d. He noted that the fleet has travelled across Europe, to Italy and Lake Garda, to Denmark and Spain and he congratulated both James and Noah, and Olly and Ben for their new sail numbers at the World Championship.
  - e. In addition, the class had 338 boats compete in 8 events, 685 training days were completed for the class, and over 25 boats have attended transition events organised by the class.
10. He made particular thanks to the Class Sponsors; Ovington Boats, Typhoon, Allen and Noble Marine, for continuing to support the Class.
  11. The chair thanked Mr Ian Bullock, the Class Race Officer, who has continued to support the class and provided high quality racing again this year.
  12. He made particular thanks to WPNSA for their first-class support of the class.
  13. He also made particular note of the support that the RYA has given the Class in helping sailors realise their aspirations and dreams.
  14. Lastly, he recorded thanks to those members of the Committee who are standing down for the amazing job that they have all done.

#### Sailing Secretary Report

15. Hugo Morgan Harris, the incoming Sailing Secretary made general comments about the upcoming year for the class. He commented that the class would continue to provide the best events at the best times and reminded members that there are many factors included in this planning some of which mean that we aren't always able to publish events as far in advance as would be liked. He thanked the members for their patience whilst venues and dates were agreed and that they would be published as soon as possible.
16. He thanked all of the parents that had helped out with the events and continued to ask for that support for all future events as it is very necessary.

#### Election of Officers

17. The Chairman explained that the Officers of the Class for the coming year had been proposed and seconded and asked for any additional proposals [see attached table].
18. There was a comment made by a member regarding the absence of a proposed Vice Chair, that there are two Safety officers proposed, and asked about the diversity of the committee.
19. The General Secretary commented that no individual had put themselves forward for the Vice Chair role and therefore that role would remain vacant as it has in prior years. That role was not on the proposed motion as there was to be no Vice Chair unless someone came forwards. A person could be co-opted in accordance with the Class constitution if it was felt an appropriate candidate were forthcoming. Further, the safety role would be shared between two individuals and that role would only carry one vote at committee meetings. Further, he recapped the diversity that already existed within the Committee spread across the country including a Welsh and Scottish representative. The member was satisfied with the comments made and no further action was required.
20. There being no further questions or comments, the Class Officers and additional Committee members were put to the vote. The motion to accept the Class Officers and additional

Committee members was proposed by Matt Stein and seconded by Simon Mueller and passed by a show of hands. The list of those voted to take up those positions is shown at the Appendix to this meeting minute.

21. The sailor representatives have not been proposed at the time of this meeting but that matter would be resolved at the earliest opportunity.

#### AOB & Q&A

22. The General Secretary confirmed that there was no further business proposed prior to the meeting and the Chairman invited questions.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 20.20.

## Appendix 1

### Officers of the Class

Role	Name
Chair	Phil Lightbody
Treasurer	Mark Crossley
Sailing Secretary	Hugo Morgan Harris
Training Officer	Vale Sesto
Safety Officer	Ben Vines & Brian Staithe
General Secretary	Gen Webb
Marketing Officer	Rachel Jenkins
Welfare Officer	Katie Peters

### Additional Committee Members

Role	Name
Scottish Representative	Bear Sturrock
Rolling Ranking	James Hopkinson
Events	Johnathon Westwell
Class Measurer	Victor Brellisford