

## GENERAL COMMITTEE MINUTES

SATURDAY, 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2016

Days Inn Jct27-28 M6 Northbound, PR7 5LR

PRESENT: D Greenhalgh, M Collingwood, P Bowmer, V Ford, Gill Beddow, G Knox, Jon Close, D Rowlands, R Nettleship, A Penny, S Parry, Martin Stanley, Gareth Morris

APOLOGIES: C Saunders, H Brazier, P O'Neill, S Boyle (SB2), J Courtney (JC2), S Brown, E Davies, S Elder.

		ACTION
1	<b>Chairman's Welcome</b>	
2	<b>To receive any apologies for absence from the meeting.</b>	
3	<p><b>Minutes of Last Meeting (10<sup>th</sup> October 2015)</b></p> <p><b>Matters Arising, not considered as part of this agenda.</b></p> <p>a) 3b) GK said the existence of a dormant Euro account had been established and he was working on gaining access to the funds.</p> <p>b) 3f) GB said that we had requested a Members Forum be included in the Worlds Timetable, so far with little success.</p> <p><b>To accept the Minutes of the Meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2015</b> Proposed: DR, Seconded: AP. All in favour.</p> <p>No Redactions were requested.</p>	<p>JC2</p> <p>SB</p>
4	<p><b>F&amp;G Minutes</b></p> <p>The following Minutes were presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F&amp;G Minutes 29 September 2015 - Accepted v3</li> <li>• F&amp;G Minutes 10 November 2015 – Accepted v1</li> <li>• F&amp;G Minutes 08 December 2015 – Accepted v1</li> </ul> <p><b>Matters arising from these minutes, not considered as part of this agenda.</b></p> <p><b>29 September 2015 2.7:</b> Although it was appropriate to report the value and age of outstanding debts in the F&amp;G minutes, it was agreed that it was not appropriate to name the Individual debtors.</p> <p><b>29 September 2015 5.2:</b> PB reported the container balance payable was £200 (£250 less £50 deposit)</p> <p><b>To accept the F&amp;G Minutes presented</b> Proposed: SP, Seconded: GB. All in favour</p>	<p>MC</p>
5	<p><b>Treasurer's Report</b></p> <p>The following Documents were presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accounts for the year end 30/09/15 - 3rd Draft</li> <li>• Treasurer's Report to GCM 23/01/16</li> <li>• P&amp;L to 30/09/15 for Committee - v2</li> </ul> <p><b>a) 2014/15 Accounts</b> PB presented the final 2014/15 Accounts</p> <p>PB thanked GB for her tight financial control of Championship events</p> <p>DG thanked PB for getting the Associations finances in to a comfortable position, but</p>	

	<p>noted that we needed to get class development</p> <p><b>To present the Final 2014/15 Accounts to the 2016 AGM</b> Proposed: PB, Seconded: MC. All in favour</p> <p><b>b) 2015/16 To Date</b> PB said that the finances were generally in line with where he expected and that we had a higher than usual bank balance because we were holding container money that would soon to be paid out.</p> <p>Levels of membership were still a worry and it was proposed that this should be discussed at the next F&amp;G</p> <p>PB said there was no immediate requirement to transfer money to reserves, but he would review this again before the next meeting.</p> <p><b>To accept the Treasurer's Report</b> Proposed: SP, Seconded: AP. All in favour</p> <p><b>C) Trustee Direction</b> DR reported he was discussing investment of Trustee funds with the other Trustees and hoped there would to a proposal to put to the April meeting.</p>	<p><b>All</b></p> <p><b>PB</b></p> <p><b>F&amp;G</b></p> <p><b>PB</b></p> <p><b>DR</b></p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Web and Social Media</b></p> <p><b>a) Website Content</b> SP to discuss getting race reports and photos for Travellers with Area reps.</p> <p>GB to discuss getting race reports and photos for Championships with Championship Committee.</p> <p>PB to discuss with JC2/Mike Senior how to put links in the e-newsletter with full articles on the website.</p> <p>DG thanked the Web and Social Media Committee for their excellent progress</p> <p><b>b) Worlds Social Media</b> GB reported:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apart from the official photographer, she knew of 3 others who had expressed interest in the event</li> <li>• Michelle Evans had agreed to make sure results/reports/photos would be posted daily throughout the event</li> <li>• Videos were being planned</li> </ul>	<p><b>SP</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>PB</b></p>
<b>7</b>	<p><b>Promotions</b> AP presented her Promotions Report.</p> <p><b>a) Promotional Activity</b> AP is investigating use of QR Codes, especially for the Car Sticker</p> <p>A £400 budget as granted to AP for production of some video shorts.</p> <p>RN to talk to JC2 about getting access to boat history information to help him update the Boat Building Book.</p> <p><b>b) Dinghy Show</b> MC to investigate which posters he has left over from 2015.</p>	<p><b>AP</b></p> <p><b>AP</b></p> <p><b>RN/JC2</b></p> <p><b>MC</b></p>

	<p>AP asked for suggestions for photo opportunities at the show</p> <p><b>c) Mainsail</b>  DG thanked AP and JC2 for the excellent Autumn edition of Mainsail.</p> <p>AP reminded the Committee that articles were required for the next edition of Mainsail.</p> <p>AP said she was in discussion with JC2 about whether it was possible to possible to publish the next edition before the Worlds.</p> <p><b>To Accept the Promotions Report</b>  Proposed: GM, Seconded: PB. All in favour</p>	<p><b>All/AP</b></p> <p><b>All</b></p> <p><b>AP/JC2</b></p>
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Cruising &amp; Vintage</b>  GM reported 4 events for 2016:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ullswater – Cruising with York RI SC</li> <li>• Pwllheli - With Nationals</li> <li>• Windernere – Cruising and Vintage event</li> <li>• Bala – Vintage racing at Inlands</li> </ul> <p>Date and confirmed and photos found for Dinghy Show Poster</p> <p>SP to liaise with HB about getting the Cruising page updated.</p>	<p><b>GM/SP</b></p> <p><b>SP/HB</b></p>
<b>9</b>	<p><b>Championship Report</b>  The following Minutes were presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Championship Committee Minutes– 25/11/15</li> <li>• New Championship Committee Minutes – 02/12/15</li> </ul> <p><b>a) Barbados</b>  GP reported that there were currently 91 entries and 112 adult non-sailors.</p> <p>GB to reiterate the message that non-sailors needed to have pay the non-sailing fee if they wanted entry to the Yacht Club.</p> <p>GB to arrange inspectors for each container to ensure they are properly loaded. Photos to be taken.</p> <p>Photo to be presented to Barbados Yacht Club</p> <p>Burgee for Barbados Sailing Association. SP Kindly offered the services of his wife to make a burgee.</p> <p><b>b) Grand Prix</b>  GB to publish the NOR on-line</p> <p>GB proposed that entry to 4 out of the 6 would qualify for a discount.</p> <p>GB said she was arranging a “No. 7” trophy to present at the End of Seasons for the first Classic Boat.</p> <p><b>To Accept the Championship Report</b>  Proposed: MS, Seconded: PB. All in favour.</p>	<p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>SP</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p> <p><b>GB</b></p>

<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>Technical &amp; Rules</b>  The following documents were presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• T&amp;R Proposals for Jan 23rd</li> <li>• Equipment Checks for GP Worlds</li> <li>• Class Rules Jan 2016 Update proposal GP14</li> <li>• Used boats for Barbados.</li> </ul> <p><b>a) Changes to Rules Governing Championships</b>  DR proposed the Rules Governing championships should be updated to reflect the new name of the Association as agreed at the 2015 AGM.  Proposed: DR, Seconded: AP. All in favour.</p> <p><b>b) Changes to Class Rules</b>  DR asked the committee to approve the changes proposed by the T&amp;R committee, noting that there was not proposed change to rigging.  Proposed: DR, Seconded: SP. All in favour.</p> <p>DR noted that changes to Class Rules had to be approved at two Committee meetings and that would present the changes again at the next meeting.</p> <p>As these changes are the first agreed since full membership of ISAF DR said he was unsure exactly how to proceed but proposed that he should approach to ISAF with respect to these changes.  Proposed: DR, Seconded: GM. All in favour.</p> <p><b>c) Masthead Floats</b>  DR said that he would keep pursuing Masthead floats.</p> <p><b>Acceptance of T&amp;R Report</b>  Proposed: AP, Seconded: SP. All in favour.</p>	<p><b>DR</b></p> <p><b>DR</b></p> <p><b>DR</b></p>
<p><b>11</b></p>	<p><b>Area Reports</b>  <b>a) Northern Area</b>  MS reported that he had agreed the venue and date the Championships, but still have a few Travellers to confirm.</p> <p><b>b) Midlands</b>  RN reported that the championships were confirmed and 10 Travellers.</p>	<p><b>MS</b></p>
<p><b>12</b></p>	<p><b>Training</b>  MC delivered the Training report</p> <p><b>a) Area Training</b>  MC reported that a training day at Bolton SC had been confirmed and SHSC was a possible venue for Midlands training but he was having little success in getting interest from the other Areas.</p> <p><b>b) Youth</b>  MC Said he was in discussion about a youth training weekend at WHSC before the Youth Championships and ED was seeing if Crosby was available for longer training course.  It was suggested that MC also contact Plas Manei.</p> <p><b>c) Ladies</b></p>	<p><b>MC</b></p> <p><b>MC</b> <b>MC</b></p>

	<p>MC reported that AP had arranged a Ladies training day at SSSC.</p> <p><b>d) Sea Training</b> MC reported that he was trying to arrange a weekend at Llandudno before the Nationals at Pwllheli.</p> <p><b>e) Barbados</b> DG reported that he was in discussion with Neil Marsden about provision of training to the local Barbadian sailors immediately prior to the Worlds.</p>	<p><b>MC</b></p> <p><b>MC</b></p> <p><b>DG</b></p>
<b>13</b>	<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p><b>a) Honorary Membership</b> DG said that we have received a letter from Hilary Davies saying, as she no longer sailed, she would not be renewing her full membership. Given the service Hilary had provided to the Class DG proposed we offered her Honorary Membership and suggested the Nationals at Pwllheli would be a good time to make the presentation. All in favour.</p> <p><b>b) Richard Estaugh Fund</b> DG said that the purpose and terms of reference of this fund were not clear and he would be making a proposal to the next committee meeting.</p>	<p><b>MC/DG</b></p> <p><b>DG</b></p>
<b>14</b>	<b>Date of next meeting:</b> 23 April Days Inn Jct27-28 M6 Northbound Mill Ln, Chorley PR7 5LR	
<b>15</b>	<b>Close of the meeting</b> DG thanked everyone for attending and wished them a safe journey.	