

**DRAFT**

**SUSSEX YACHT CLUB  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE  
HELD MONDAY 24<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2014**

**Present:**

D Ramus	Commodore
Pat Hill	Rear Commodore, Chair, House Committee
L Woodhams	Rear Commodore, Hon. Treasurer
Hazel Arnold	Director, Rally Secretary
T Cork	Director, Sailing Section Captain
D Golding	Director, Buildings Maintenance Committee
N Fraser-Betts	Director, House Committee
K Headon	Director, Training Principal
M Rummery	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee
D Skinner	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee
A Weber	Director, Safety Boat Manager
G Weston	Director, House Committee
T Leigh	Ex-officio, Secretary
Jacqui Flood	Ex-officio, Minute Secretary
Dave Lee	Editor, Wavelength, Director Elect
Steve Popple	Chair, Dinghy Committee, Director Elect
Neil Prescott	Director Elect

**Apologies:**

S Vyse	Vice Commodore, Chair Publicity & New Members
T Kinch	Rear Commodore, Chair Moorings & Maintenance Cttee
J Pryke	Director, Past Chair, Dinghy Committee
M Naldrett	Director, Chair BSAC Committee
G Roberts	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee

The Commodore welcomed the three, new Directors Elect to the meeting. He advised them that they were permitted to participate but would not have any voting rights.

**Absent:**

What: Action to be completed

Who: Person assigned to complete the Action

When: Deadline; date by which the Action is to be completed by assignee

Status: Ongoing, On Hold, Over Due, Complete

**WHO      WHEN      STATUS**

**802      MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014**

Agreed as true summary of the meeting.

Proposed: Commodore              Carried unanimously

**803      MATTERS ARISING**

**803.1      788.1 Bar Refurbishment Update**

Comm advised that unfortunately the Club was too late to proceed with the building project for it to be completed in January. He had received two quotes for the electrical work required and he hoped that this work would be completed in January with the building work shortly thereafter.

TC asked whether there was a drawing of the bar design available? TL advised he would distribute with the minutes.

**803.2 Club Rule Pertaining to Sailing Moorings**

Item brought forward from September's meeting. Commodore reminded all that the query was what constituted a sailing mooring. Whether it was for those who participated in sailing anywhere or just Club sailing. TK/TC and Dski to meet and discuss. TK asked that, via TL, TC attend the next Moorings & Maintenance Meeting to discuss further.

TK/TC/  
DJSKI      Asap      Ongoing

**803.3 798.3 – University Sailing Membership**

TC advised that 20 had so far taken up membership and details will be sent to the Office.

TC      Asap      Ongoing

**803.4 800.1 – Hocine Zioui**

GW advised that he and NFB visited Hocine. They were pleased to report that he was well. Hocine was very honoured and pleased to accept the Board's nomination for Honorary Membership. GW stated that Hocine had accepted that the Club wished to make a presentation to him but asked if it could be a small affair, preferably a lunch time. GW asked that a collection be started soon. It was agreed that the Club would make a contribution to any collection.

**803.5 Parking in front of Safety Boats**

KH advised that due to inaccessible safety boats he nearly had to cancel a recent sailing session. Urgent action was required. Suggestion made of cross hatches. Moorings Committee to discuss.

TK      Asap      Ongoing

**803.6 Member for Non-Member Charging Rate**

TL advised, in TK's absence, that this item would be discussed at the forthcoming M&M meeting.

TK      Asap      December

**803.7 Lift Out Rate for Large Vessels**

TL advised, in TK's absence, that this item would be discussed at the forthcoming M&M meeting.

TK      Asap      December

**804 AGM**

**804.1 Director Appointments**

TL advised that the notice published is correct in that there were four vacancies and six nominees.

**804.2 Honorary Members**

TC asked for clarification as to whether it was the position of Chair, West Sussex County Council or Ms Jupp herself who was to receive the honour. TL confirmed that it was the incumbent of the position of Chair.

### **804.3 President & Vice Presidents**

All had agreed to restand for election.

### **804.4 Percy Ludgate**

TL reminded all of the criteria for the Percy Ludgate Trophy and advised that he had only received one nomination. Names were discussed and a decision reached. Item in confidential minutes.

## **805 PROPOSAL FOR 3D MODELLING OF CLUBS**

TK was asking for funds so that the Club could hold permanent 3d drawings of Shoreham and Southwick clubhouses. TL advised that they were most important for Southwick as this would be going through a major refurbishment. TC stated that he had seen such drawings and they were invaluable.

Dski said that he did not quite understand the concept and asked whether if any further work was carried out, would the drawings not be out of date and require updating? GW confirmed that he, too, was going to ask the same question. KH advised that his company had commissioned such a drawing but it had proved expensive to keep up to date. Commodore enquired as to whether the drawings were necessary? LW advised that they were not but would be good to have.

GW said that he could see the point of providing such a drawing for Southwick and if agreed the Club could go ahead with just one at this time. Dski stated he did not feel he could vote at this time as he could not justify it as value for Members' money.

LW asked TL to enquire as to whether Ian Whitehead could provide an "as built" .dwg. This would mean that the contractor would update an .dwg image provided by the Club to show the work they had conducted.

Commodore asked that the item be deferred back to TK. Dave Lee reminded the meeting that the Club must get ownership of any drawings provided.

TK      Asap      Ongoing

## **806 NEW DORY**

AW reported that the Club's current dory has deteriorated as is no longer useable. AW advised that he had previously costed a replacement but it was proving too expensive. He had distributed a paper outlining details of a vessel that would be suitable for the job, a Seaspray Dory at a total cost, including outboard, trailer and conversion to the Club's requirements of £12,443.50.

Dski enquired as to why a Suzuki 30hp engine had been chosen over the recommended 25hp. AW advised that the dory could take an engine up to 50hp but 30hp was suitable for the Club's requirements. LW asked AW what warranties were provided? AW stated he would investigate further and advise the Board of all suppliers' warranties.

Proposal for release of funds for £12,443.50 subject to warranties.

Proposed: AW 2<sup>nd</sup>: LW Carried Unanimously

Commodore thanked AW for his extensive research.

## 807 SOUTHWICK DILAPIDATION

### 807.1 Urgent Works Required

TL advised that DG was to quote to do the urgent works at Southwick and that this be compared to a jobbing building company. The works required would get the building through the winter and due to the major refurbishment work that was to be carried out it would not be permanent and warranties would not be required. DG to bring costings to December's meeting.

DG Dec Ongoing

LW asked who set out the scope for the emergency work. TL advised that it had been taken from the Parsons Son & Basley's Surveyor's report updated by them for this purpose.

### 807.2 Long Term Refurbishment Grants

TL advised that he had reviewed the report provided by Chris O'Neill. It was obvious from the report that the Club would only have one chance to get the grant application correct. At a recent Flag Officers' meeting it was decided to engage a professional fundraiser immediately. TL contacted a couple via the Institute of Professional Fundraisers' website and one had replied advising that he would be willing to provide the Club with an initial report free of charge. TL was asked to make further contact and appointment.

TL Asap Ongoing

LW suggested that, before the meeting, TL spoke to a Member who had had recent experience of dealing with a professional fundraiser. They would be able to give TL guidance in order that he could evaluate the fundraiser when he meets with them.

## 808 FIXTURE CARD

TL asked all to review the online Fixture Card as the version on the site on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November would be used to produce the printed version. LW commented on a few incidences last year when the tides did not work with racing. TC confirmed he had a team working on this. TC also advised that he had another Member independently working on this, too. TC will advise JF if any amendments were required.

It was agreed that all to review current version, advise JF of any amendments required and voted on by email on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

TL 28/11

Subject to any necessary amendments being made. Vote on 28<sup>th</sup>.

**809 WAVELENGTH**

Dave Lee advised that he definitely had 18 pages. He advised that he was still waiting on:

Commodore's Report	Comm/	28/11
Sailing Captains Report	TC/	
Sailability Report	Sailability/	
AGM documentation of Directors' c.v's	TL	

All required by Dave Lee no later than Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November.

**810 COMMENTS BOOK**

**810.1 Future of Bar**

Anonymous comment asking for an update on the future of the Bar. PH to provide update. PH    Asap    Ongoing

**810.2 Thanks from Mr & Mrs Shepley**

Mr & Mrs Shepley thanked Simon for providing lovely food for them on a Friday. PH to pass comment to Simon. PH    Asap    Closed

**811 MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

**811.1 New Members' Listing**

List read through. Board's sadness expressed for the loss of Ron and Jean Curtis. LW asked for another yoy analysis of memberships be conducted for January. JF    Jan    Ongoing

Proposed: Commodore    Carried Unanimously

**811.2 Proposal for Joint Membership**

PH advised that her paper was not a proposal but a suggestion for clarification as to who is eligible for joint membership. After discussions it was decided that two people, regardless of relationship and who reside and paid Council Tax, at the same address, would be eligible.

Proposed: PH    2<sup>nd</sup>: Comm    Carried Unanimously

**812 CORRESPONDENCE**

**812.1 Sue & Mike Large**

TL advised that Sue & Mike sent a letter of thanks for the flowers given to Sue, following her recent ill health. Commodore wished Sue a speedy recovery on behalf of the Board and himself.

**813 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**813.1 Tarmount Hard**

Dski asked if the meeting could have an update on the situation regarding Tarmount Hard. TL advised that he and TK attended a meeting with the Director of Planning for

WSCC. The Council had a sum of money, which it wished to spend on flood defence within a certain timescale.

The council would like to build this defence around SYC but not the Hard. The Council, as well as the Club and Parcel Force Developers, would like to see the Hard filled in but the hold up is that the Environment Agency placed an objection and wanted to see the mud habitat offset. The Club provided the Environment Agency with information they requested regarding the volume and constitution of the mud to be filled in. There will be another meeting with them in the future at which time the Board will be further updated.

#### **813.2 Port Users' Group**

Dski advised that, with the approval of the Vice Commodore, he would be completing a questionnaire provided by the Port on behalf of the Club.

#### **813.3 Charles Partridge Legacy**

Dski advised that he was still to receive a reply from Jim Partridge to discuss the possible use of Charles' legacy to the Club being used on the new West Entrance door. In the absence of a reply, it has been decided that a plaque be sited at the West Entrance in remembrance of Charles.

Dski

Ongoing

#### **813.4 Social Events**

GW reminded all that the Club's Christmas Party would be held on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> December. It would be a live band with a light buffet all for £10 per head. For anyone requiring a traditional dinner, this would be served at the December Club Night. .

#### **813.5 Club Calendar**

KH advised that some remarkable SYC ladies had posed for a Calendar. They would be going on sale soon with profits to the Junior Youth Fund. All to buy.

#### **813.6 West Entrance Lighting**

TC asked whether the new lighting to the West Entrance was LED. Dski confirmed that it was.

#### **813.7 Funds Release – Race Marks**

TC acknowledged that this was not the appropriate part of the meeting to bring this request. The number 3 and 4 buoys are currently in the car park and required the following; chains £606, four shackles £80, two tyres filled with concrete £200. Chris West has agreed to launch free of charge. TC advised he was looking for funds release of under £1,000. LW asked whether the Club already had the filled tyres and TL confirmed it did.

LW stated that he thought the Club had been given some

chain that would be suitable for the task. TL advised that he had spoken with the Boatswain who did not believe it was suitable. Commodore advised that he believed his company could provide suitable shackles at a more favourable price.

LW said that he wanted to know what happened to the donated chain and TL would investigate. LW asked that the request for funds release be brought to December's meeting. TC commented that that would be too late. LW stated that he did not feel comfortable agreeing to the release of funds if it is found that the Club already has suitable chain. TC asked that the release was agreed subject to ascertaining whether the Club does or does not have suitable chain.

TL      ASAP      Ongoing

Proposed: TC    2<sup>nd</sup>: Dski    For: 11    Ag: 1 (LW)    Carried

**813.8    125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee**

HA advised that the committee had had one meeting and another was due soon. She will update the Board in January.

HA                      Jan

**813.9    Requests for Funds Release**

LW asked all to ensure that any requests for funds release be submitted in time for inclusion on the agenda and all supporting paperwork is distributed beforehand.

**813.10   Port Users Safety Meeting**

TL advised that the Port Users' meeting was being held at the Club on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November. If anyone had any issues raised please advise TL before the meeting.

ALL      25/11

**813.11   Bar Update**

Due to the personal nature of this item it is reproduced in the Confidential Minutes of the meeting. PH to update December's Meeting. TC absented himself from the meeting prior to this minute.

PH      Dec      Ongoing

**814    DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2014. 2000 hours, Shoreham Clubhouse.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 21:47

I agree the above to be a true summary of the meeting.

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