

Sailing meeting 28/2/15

Committee members present - Tim Cork, Sam Lippett, David Skinner

Confirmed do not have to use standard courses - aid to race officers only

Race to Venus - error in handbook; date should be Sunday 12th July and not July 5th as stated on page 9

Venus - new buoy off Hove Lawns (floating) - maintained and owned by SYC. Designed by local artist

Sussex Regatta - Eastbourne (NHC & IRC). Gentlemans class. Free moorings

Mast raising - unable to raise today as not enough volunteers and wet & windy. To re-schedule for next Saturday. Alternatively enough volunteers for mid week raise if weather window.

Marks - 4 & 3 awaiting return of Chris West to return to hopefully kindly help with launch. Potentially will not have these marks available for first race of spring series.

Please volunteer for race officer duty. For those who do not volunteer and race then a date will be allocated. Gate start does not constitute race officer duty. Christmas Cracker will remain as 3rd placed boat being the gate boat on next race

IRC certificates - submission permitted up to race 6 of spring series. For all other races needs to be submitted by first race of series. Copy to the office.

Handicaps - SCCH have no plans to move to TCC system.

If have concern about SCCH then put case in writing to sailing section who will pass on to Committee. Verbal contests will not be accepted.

Concerns that SCCH submissions not received (Tyke and Maverick). SL to follow up with Steve Thomas.

SCCH and IRC will be used for all SYC races. The top 3 boats in IRC will be removed from SCCH results.

Skippers encouraged to use own yachts as committee boats if race officer and amenable weather

Declaration required for offshore races (safety). Safety checks will be carried out at random. Giles Mayley suggested that all boats competing in offshore races should pass through start line with all crew on deck wearing life jackets

Yacht of the Year - monthly updates issued this year.

Round the Island race now part of offshore series.

Pursuit racing - Moonlight Saunter not available for first two races of spring series. Dave Golding to stand in as race officer.

Dominic (SRF) has requested that enough SYC boats enter the Pactolus race. Six boats required to run.

St Valery yacht Club joining us for Talla Hinna and Brighton Rally. Ascension meal at SYC on Friday evening.

Peter asked about the Two Towers race - not in this years schedule. Provision for 12 hour offshore race if Pactolus cancelled.