



Sussex Yacht Club

Sailing Section Committee Meeting

4th August 2016

Committee members present: Sam Lippett (SL) [minutes], Rob Reeves (RR), Dave Ramus (DR)

In attendance: Peter Jenkins (PJ)

Apologies: Steve Thomas, Tim Pumfrey

Minutes of last meeting 7th July 2016: Dave Ramus was present otherwise agreed as correct.

Item	
1.	<p>Review of Actions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summer Regatta – no expressions of interest in re-arranged date received. Decision amongst those present to persevere with publicity and not cancel just yet. To be closed event to SYC members and race officer to also be from SYC. RR to discuss with Dave Bolger possibility of using Grand Alliance as Committee Vessel. <i>Subsequent decision to move Channel Race to Saturday 10th September given clash with EGM on 3rd September. Regatta will no longer be viable this year.</i>• Pactolus Rally & Race – 7 boats competed in the race and another SYC boat joined the rally in Fecamp. Two SRF yachts also joined the race.• St Valery Rally – SL has made contact with Alan Saunders and CNV. Rally has been confirmed. CNV have organised supper on the Saturday evening at 20 euros per person. Numbers dining to be confirmed by August 17th.• Up-date to Race Chart – Steve Thomas no longer has a non-PDF copy; SL has contacted Nigel Bachelor via the SYC office and awaiting response.• RYA Race Officer Mentorship Scheme – SL meeting with Mike Foster on August 21st to discuss plans.• Trophy Secretary – Lauren Willis has stepped down effective immediately; to recruit as soon as possible.
2.	<p>Littlehampton Rally</p> <p>Meal price re-negotiated to £15 per person. Sailing News published with details and rally entry available on SYC shop.</p> <p>Actions: RR to confirm with Arun YC deadline for confirming numbers of persons dining, booking of moorings & provision of free water-taxi.</p>

3.	<p>St Valery Rally</p> <p>Details confirmed as above. Action: Rally entry to be added to SYC shop & rally details to be published in next edition of Sailing News.</p>
4.	<p>Mark Status Update</p> <p>Mark 1 is back on station and Mark 6 has had weed cleared from it.</p>
5.	<p>Sailing Section Calendar 2017</p> <p>Those present discussed options for inclusion in the 2017 sailing calendar and the following draft list was compiled:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spring / Autumn Series – 7 races each • Spring / Summer / Autumn Pursuit Series • Wednesday Evening Series – although attendance has been very poor this year mostly due to weather conditions it was felt that it can be an excellent event. Subsequent ideas have included running as stand-alone fun races with possibility of a quiz / treasure hunt element with involvement of shore-based members. • Christmas Cracker – 4 races • Long Inshore Series – 7 races (Talla Hinna, Solent Race, Black Rock, Ferguson, Double Diamond, Littlehampton Race, Sovereign Race [previously classified as offshore]) • Offshore Series – 5 races (Royal Escape, Pactolus, St Valery, Dieppe, Deauville / Honfleur) • Rallies – Solent Rally (Gosport [Lightship for supper], Yarmouth, Cowes/Folly), Talla Hinna / BMYC (if possible), Eastbourne, Pactolus, St Valery, Littlehampton. Two new rallies were suggested in combination with offshore races – Dieppe and also to Deauville in combination with Honfleur. • Club Races - Crew's Race & Lady Helm • Arun YC would like to combine a rally to SYC with a joint race • To keep free – RTI, Arun YC regatta. It was felt not worthwhile blocking two weekends because of Cowes week but instead ensure that no series race is scheduled; perhaps Lady Helm & Arun YC rally / race could be run on these dates. • 125 Regatta <p>Action: RR to investigate possibility of Dieppe & Deauville / Honfleur rallies.</p>
11.	<p>AOB</p> <p>DR requested clarification of life-jacket requirements. Action: SL to provide details of ISAF requirements for category 4 races (inshore, long inshore, club) & category 3 + life-rafts (offshore).</p>

Date of next meeting: Thursday 8th September, 7pm @ Shoreham Clubhouse