

## SUSSEX YACHT CLUB

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE

HELD MONDAY 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2012

<b>Present:</b>	A Saunders	Commodore & Chair
	L Woodhams	Rear Commodore, Hon. Treasurer
	D Skinner	Rear Commodore, Chair Moorings & Maintenance Cttee
	C West	Rear Commodore, Chair House Cttee
	Tim Cork	Director, Sailing Section Captain
	Pat Hill	Director
	M Mayall	Director
	Dave Norwood	Director, Chair BSAC
	Ian O'Dell	Director, Dinghy Section Captain
	G Roberts	Director
	Di Saunders	Director
	B Watkins	Director
	T Leigh	Ex-officio, Secretary
	Jacqui Flood	Ex-officio, Minute Secretary

<b>Apologies:</b>	David Ramus	Vice Commodore
	K Headon	Director, Training Principal
	Steve Vyse	Director
	Terry Kinch	Director

*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*

469	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING		WHO	WHEN	STATUS
	Agreed as true record of the meeting.				
	Proposed: DSKi 2 <sup>nd</sup> : BW Carried Unanimously				
<b>470</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>				
	<b>470.1</b>	<b>458.3 – Adele Boysons' Memorial</b>			
		This item is now closed. Trophy received and presented at this year's Royal Escape Race. First winners of the Trophy were SYC.			CLOSED
	<b>470.2</b>	<b>458.5 – Twinning</b>			
		TL advised that there was nothing further to report on this item at the moment. TL will bring back when he is contacted again.			
	<b>470.3</b>	<b>458.6 – BSAC Membership</b>			
		This item was raised at a recent Flag Officers' Meeting where various possible options were discussed. It was agreed that compulsory membership of SYC would not be enforced to BSAC members for the following 12 months from the meeting in order that BSAC may sort their finances and memberships. After the year, the situation would be revisited.			

<b>470.4</b>	<b>458.7 – Fixture Card</b>			
	Item still ongoing.	SV		Ongoing
<b>470.5</b>	<b>458.8 – Member Survey</b>			
	Item still ongoing.	SV		Ongoing
<b>470.6</b>	<b>458.9 – Members’ Report Book</b>			
	Book not present at meeting. House Committee to view.	CW	Asap	Ongoing
<b>470.7</b>	<b>458.10 – Port Byelaws</b>			
	TL advised that Julian Seaman had agreed boats could use the fuel berth on a trial basis until the end of the year for boat washing in the canal. Julian would monitor the situation and asked that any boat wishing to use this facility radio the Port in the first instance.			Closed
<b>470.8</b>	<b>458.11 – Rampion Windfarm</b>			
	LW reported that he and SV would be having another meeting with Eon in July.	LW/SV		Ongoing
<b>470.9</b>	<b>458.13 – Sussex University Sailing Society</b>			
	TC reported that a group visited on Open Day and spoke with KH. TC believed they would be going ahead with their Membership application after the new intake of students in Sept/Oct. TC to report back when needed.			Closed
<b>470.10</b>	<b>458.14 – Heating System</b>			
	BW reported that work will start on 1 <sup>st</sup> August for approximately two weeks.			
<b>470.11</b>	<b>459.2 – Funds Release – Hand Dryers</b>			
	TL reported that both received and working, one installed.			
<b>470.12</b>	<b>459.3 – Funds Release – Health &amp; Safety</b>			
	GR asked if he could be included in all communication etc regarding health and safety.			
<b>470.13</b>	<b>461 – Staffing</b>			
	TL reported that a draft, temporary contract had been drawn up and agreed by both parties. TL also reported that Peter was visiting the Club on Friday to give an update on his prognosis, which TL hoped would be positive.			

	<b>470.14</b>	<b>466.1 – Letter of Complaint – Bar Closing</b>			
		This item was not raised at House as they were not in possession of a copy. BW commented that he did not believe the complainant should be kept anonymous. BW was advised that under the Whistle Blowers' Act everyone had the right of anonymity. TL to pass copy of comments to House.	TL/ House	Asap	Ongoing
	<b>470.15</b>	<b>467.2 – No 6 Buoy</b>			
		GR reported that the buoy was just low in the water. He was going to look at it. GR to report to Sailing Section whose remit the marks are.			Closed
	<b>470.16</b>	<b>467.3 – Racing Courses</b>			
		TC advised he had met with Shoreham Sailing Club and they would provide the Club with a list of their events. Hopefully this will rectify the situation.			
	<b>470.17</b>	<b>467.6 – 2012 Budgets</b>			
		On agenda.			
	<b>470.18</b>	<b>467.1 – Substance Minute – In/Exclusion</b>			
		TL advised that he received comments from four Directors who did not believe this item should have been included in the minutes. TC stated that he was one of the Directors who expressed such a concern. The meeting was advised that the substance was passed to the Police who removed it from the Club's presence and destroyed it. TC stated he would have felt happier with the minute being included if the outcome of the discussion with the Police had also been noted.			
<b>471</b>	<b>FINANCE MATTERS</b>				
	<b>471.1</b>	<b>Budget Approval 2012/13 Budget</b>			
		LW asked if anyone had any questions. There were none. LW thanked all for their input and for allowing him to attend their Committees' meetings. There was a surplus of just under £30k so not a lot of room to manoeuvre. If the budget was accepted, all would have to work within the budget during the next financial year.			
		Proposed: LW 2 <sup>nd</sup> : PH Carried Unanimously			
	<b>471.2</b>	<b>Funds Release - £2,100 Southwick</b>			

		A recent major leak in the roof where it abuts Riverside Yard houses requires an urgent report. Sussex Asphalt regularly contract with SYC and are known well to us. They have quoted £1,750 plus VAT to repair the roof (there may be a need to undertake some timber repairs as well but this will not be known until the roof is exposed). They can undertake the work around early/mid July, depending on how quickly approval for their estimate is given. Buildings and Maintenance Committee recommend that the Board approve this expense.			
		All agreed that the work was required as a matter of urgency and that any remedial work to the the timber completed at the same time, could save major work being necessary in the future.			
		Proposed: BW 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Commodore Carried Unanimously			
<b>472</b>	<b>OPEN DAY</b>				
		Dski advised that 1000 flyers were distributed in the area, targeted mainly at family groups. He reported that the income from two family Memberships would cover the cost outlaid for the event. Dski thanked all those who helped on the day and that the Club gained 38 memberships, 72 new Members. TC commented that the flyers were great but possibly some form of poster could be generated for 2013 Open Day. PH stated that something should be put at the other end of the bridge for those crossing from the Beach. GR believed the West Entrance could have been more welcoming as people were walking past.			
		GR believed the Open Day was a positive action for the Club to take as it introduced the Club to the residents even if they did not wish to join. TL reminded all that next year there would not be a bridge but a shuttle bus from the Beach and perhaps the event could be advertised on the busses. Dski thanked the Office for all its hard work.			
		Commodore thanked Dski for his work on the event.			
<b>473</b>	<b>WAVELENGTH</b>				
		Commodore welcomed Miles back to the Board after his absence. MM advised that the next edition of Wavelength, which would be the Summer one, had not progressed that much forward. SV had offered MM help with the edition, which he had gratefully accepted. Dski commented that some articles may be out of date. MM confirmed he would review all articles and pass back those he believed required updating. MM confirmed he was also looking for more copy and suggested articles on Open Day, Mini Solent and the Royal Escape Race.	MM	Asap	Ongoing

<b>474</b>	<b>OLD PULTENEY AWARD</b>				
	<p>TL advised that the Club, along with many other sailing clubs, had been contacted by a whisky company who were introducing national sailing awards in three categories; Club Service, Bravery and Sailing Achievement. The Board were asked to consider nominations for each award to be discussed at July's meeting. Details are available from their website: <a href="http://www.oldpulteney.com/the-pilot-house/maritime-heroes">www.oldpulteney.com/the-pilot-house/maritime-heroes</a> (please copy and paste this address in to your browser).</p>		All	July's Meeting	Ongoing
<b>475</b>	<b>MEMBERSHIP MATTERS</b>				
	<b>475.1</b>	<b>New Members' Listing</b>			
		List read through.			
		Proposed: TC 2 <sup>nd</sup> : IOD Carried unanimously			
		Dski commented that the membership trend is going down and SYC needs to work to keep current Members and generate new.			
		LW stated that SV's committee needs to look at membership and how to retain. The Club should be aiming at 1500 Members.			
<b>476</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>				
	<b>476.1</b>	<b>Taylor Wimpey</b>			
		<p>TL advised he had received a letter from Taylor Wimpey enquiring whether the Club would be willing to display a sign informing the public of their new building project on the Beach. Taylor Wimpey would be willing to pay the Club £50 per month. Commodore asked that more information be gained as the Club did not want an advertising board regardless of monies being offered, it was commented that £50 was a very small amount for such a company. TL was asked to gain more information and pass to LW for his consideration. All happy for LW to make the final decision, passing it before the Commodore first.</p>	TL/ LW	Asap	Ongoing
<b>477</b>	<b>ANY OTHER BUSINESS</b>				
	<b>477.1</b>	<b>Southwick Pontoon</b>			
		GR advised that a date was to be fixed for piling with the contractors.			
	<b>477.2</b>	<b>R.A.C.E.</b>			
		TC asked for feedback as to when R.A.C.E. should be started. He believed there would be a higher chance of retaining			

		Members if held March time. LW asked whether this would include the Spring Pursuit Series, TC confirmed he would use the Series as a base.			
	<b>477.3</b>	<b>Three Quarter Tonne Class</b>			
		TC advised that this class was looking to resurrect and asked the meeting whether anyone had any objections to their hosting their event at the Club. All in agreement for TC to go ahead and speak with the Association.	TC		Ongoing
	<b>477.4</b>	<b>BSAC in the Community</b>			
		DN reported that BSAC were visiting schools and giving talks on conservation, diving etc and suggested the Club would gain benefit from doing something similar. All agreed a good idea and it should be taken further.			
	<b>477.5</b>	<b>Disabled Sailing Fecamp</b>			
		Dski reported that a French boat used for disabled sailing in France would be visiting the Club and wished to meet with Sailability. Dski would be looking after the Captain. It was agreed that all facilities to be offered free. Dski commented that he would speak with the Port.			
<b>478</b>	<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</b>				
	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July (4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of the month)				

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2110.

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

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