

DRAFT

**SUSSEX YACHT CLUB
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE
HELD MONDAY 15th OCTOBER 2012**

Present: David Ramus Vice Commodore & Chair
D Skinner Rear Commodore, Chair Moorings & Maintenance Cttee
L Woodhams Rear Commodore, Hon. Treasurer
Pat Hill Director
G Roberts Director
K Headon Director, Training Principal
B Watkins Director
Dave Norwood Director, Chair BSAC
Steve Vyse Director
T Leigh Ex-officio, Secretary
Jacqui Flood Ex-officio, Minute Secretary

Apologies: A Saunders Commodore & Chair
C West Rear Commodore, Chair House Cttee
Tim Cork Director, Sailing Section Captain
Terry Kinch Director
M Mayall Director
Ian O'Dell Director, Dinghy Section Captain
Di Saunders Director

Absent: None

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
515	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING			
	TL reminded all that Dski asked for two amendments to the Minutes. All agreed could proceed. Minutes were agreed subject to the following amendments: Under 506 : In discussion LW asked to be part of small team looking at Sailing/Club Moorings & who goes where. DSKI stated the process would be as per the Rule Book & then referred to Main Committee for debate & final decision.			
	Under AOB: There is no mention of the following . "D SKI outlined past sponsorship deals & made the point that in his opinion the Club should seek similar funding from Footbridge Contractors.This to be done ASAP when we are being asked for co-operation. This view was supported by DR. LW was directed to report on progress at Octobers' Meeting".			

	Proposed: DR	Carried Unanimously			
516	MATTERS ARISING				
	516.1	495.3 Members' Report Book			
		On agenda.			
	516.2	495.5 Three Quarter Tonne Class			
		Ongoing			
	516.3	496.1 Taps in Boatyard			
		These have now been fixed.			
	516.4	496.2 Boatyard Debris			
		Ongoing			
	516.5	497.5 Annual Report Reports			
		JF advised still waiting for Treasurer and Sailing Captain's report.	I/WTC	Immed.	Ongoing
	516.6	499.1 Training and Shop			
		On agenda.			
	516.7	500 Wavelength			
		On agenda.			
	516.8	Fixture Card			
		On agenda			
	516.9	503 Falrview Sailing			
		On agenda			
	516.10	507 Catering			
		SV advised that he had not yet had the opportunity to speak with Simon regarding him having a page on the website but has put an advert on the front page.	SV	ASAP	Ongoing
	516.11	508 Commodores' Reception			
		JF advised that a number of the Board had still not reply to the invitation, unfortunately none of them were present at the meeting. TL confirmed that all other invitations have now been sent.			Closed
	516.12	Sussex University			
		Comments were made that some students were already participating in sailing and were a great asset. JF advised that she still had not received their application for Group Membership. TC to chase this.	TC	ASAP	Nov
517	CLUB AGM				
	517.1	Directors' Rotation			
		TL advised of nominations received to date			

	517.2 Nomination of Admiral			
	TL advised that at a recent Flag Officers' meeting it was decided to ask the Board to consider the proposal of offering Tony Boysons the position of Admiral for Life.			
	Proposed: DR Carried Unanimously			
	517.3 Nomination of President			
	TL advised that, subject to the Board's sanction, Rob Grierson was willing to stand as President.			
	Proposed: PH 2 nd : BW Carried Unanimously			
	517.4 Nomination of Vice Presidents			
	TL reminded all that there was currently only one other Vice President, Derek Copeman as Chris West did not stand at the last AGM due to him being on the Board. Chris has advised that he would be willing to stand as a Vice President again should he step down from the Board.			
	TL advised that he had written to Alan Saunders who would be prepared, subject to the Board's sanction, to stand as a Vice President.			
	DR asked if all were happy to vote for the Vice Presidents en bloc and he was asked that a vote be taken on each person. The following vote was held:			
	For the position of Vice President: Derek Copeman.			
	Proposed; DR Carried Unanimously			
	For the position of Vice President: Chris West			
	Proposed: DR For: 5 Ag: 2 (DN & BW) Carried			
	For the position of Vice President: Alan Saunders			
	Proposed: DR Carried Unanimously			
	517.5 Honorary Members			
	TL advised that there were two changes to the current list			

		of Honorary Members. Regrettably John Bacon had passed away. The Board offered their congratulations to Ann Thayre who had recently married and is now Ann Martin. TL asked if anyone wished to make any additions/changes.			
		Dski stated he would like the Board to consider Peter Davis, Development Director, Shoreham Port Authority. Peter had worked closely with the Club and would be a welcome addition to the Honorary Membership. TL to effect	TL	AGM	Closed
		Proposed: Dski 2 nd : GR Carried Unanimously			
518	FINANCE MATTERS				
	518.1	Approval of Audited Accounts			
		LW thanked Tim, the Office and the Auditors for their hard work in turning the accounts around so quickly and accurately. He asked for any questions.			
		SV asked whether the Friends of the Royal Escape money was a separate nominal account. LW confirmed that it was and that it would remain in the future. TL stated he could provide SV with a cumulative summary of the RER P & L	TL	Asap	Ongoing
		Dski enquired why there was such a large jump in Training from last year. LW advised this was due to accruals carried from the previous year making the 2010/11 figures artificially lower than actual.			
		Dski commented that he was very glad to see expenditure on gas and heating had decreased. TL advised that the Club had entered in to a three year contract with EDF.			
		LW did state that regrettably membership was down, although there was a small increase in numbers this was negated by resignations already received.			
		Proposed: LW 2 nd : Dski Carried Unanimously			
519	FOOTBRIDGE SPONSORSHIP				
		LW stated that the report of his recent meeting had been distributed to the Board and asked for any questions. SV asked if there was any reason why the Club could not seek extra			

	<p>compensation from Osbornes and asked for details of monies received from them so far. TL advised that up to 30th September £4,250 was invoiced including loss of mooring income & laying up of four boats. Osbornes have asked for a monthly invoice, which may be approximately £1,000 for lay up and mooring services and TL believed total to be invoiced could be £10,000. TL outlined the items that Osbornes were being invoiced for.</p>			
	<p>DR asked that when the new bridge was finished would another dredging be required. TL advised that this was currently unknown but had been highlighted to Osbornes as possible</p>			
	<p>SV asked whether the Board believed the Club was getting enough restitution from Osbornes.</p>			
	<p>DN advised that he had previously met with Osbornes regarding BSAC's compressor shed and filters. Changes that had to be made to the compressor room as a result of the work had cost BSAC money and asked whether this, too, could be reclaimed. LW asked DN to provide him with details/receipts and it would be added to the Club's claim.</p>	DN	Asap	Ongoing
	<p>One of the vessels that had to be moved was the cat that is now sitting on the slip. DR stated that he was not happy with this situation continuing as it was affecting dinghy activity and boats wishing to wash off. Dski confirmed he would speak with TL regarding moving it. DR confirmed that he would like the vessel moved.</p>	Dski	Asap	Ongoing
520	WAVELENGTH			
	<p>SV advised that the next edition should be delivered Tuesday and would be posted due to the length of time it had taken to produce. He confirmed he had reduced the cost of advertising and this subject will be revisited.</p>			
	<p>SV advised the next edition will be Christmas and he was looking for content now. TL stated that if Wavelength could be posted by 18th December, it could include AGM items. SV confirmed it would be.</p>			
521	WAVELENGTH EDITORIALSHIP			
	<p>SV advised that he was quite happy for Miles Mayall to continue as Editor for as long as he wished to do so. SV praised Miles for the skills he brought to the position.</p>			
522	MEMBERSHIP SURVEY			
	<p>SV advised that the survey would be distributed with</p>			

	Wavelength.			
523	FIXTURE CARD			
	SV stated that the Fixture Card was coming along although race times were missing and these were now urgent. LW advised that Steve Thomas and Nigel Batchelor would be providing this information. SV asked the Office to email them and chase.	Office	Asap	Done
	DN left the meeting at 2122			
524	FAIRVIEW SAILING			
	KH asked if anyone had any questions on his paper regarding the Club joining up with Fairview Training to provide Day Skipper and Yacht Master practical courses. He was hoping to get the courses up and running in 2013.			
	SV commented that he believed it was an exciting idea. LW reminded all that the release of the £2,000 requested was subject to a proposal, which had been provided. KH was given approval to proceed with the venture.			
525	COMMENT BOOK			
	A replacement book has yet to be purchased.	SV	Asap	Ongoing
526	SOUTHWICK MOORING EXTENSION			
	Dski advised that a meeting had recently been held to discuss the new moorings. It was decided that the new moorings would all be sailing moorings and that all those on the waiting list would be contacted to see if they wished to remain on the list and whether they required a sailing or Club mooring. Dski commented that unfortunately a decision had not been reached by the Land Registry regarding ownership of the disputed area			
	LW asked that once an agreement had been reached, hopefully, with the Land Registry, how long would it be before boats could occupy the moorings? Gr advised that the piling had to be done first and this could be done at any time. GR believed that the work could be done through the winter.			
	PH advised that the Club could do the work without permission and there would be an outside chance that someone may complain. The biggest risk could be if the Port made claim in the future but this could be difficult as they had signed an affidavit saying they believed the land belonged to the Club.			
	DR asked what the next step would be if the Land Registry refused the Club ownership of the land. PH believed that the			

only reason that they may reject the application was if they did not believe the Club had been using the land for a length of time. Dski confirmed that work on the West pontoon could start at any time and would provide the most moorings. GR advised that if the other work did not transpire, it would mean the loss of 3 moorings.

DR asked Dski to keep on top of the matter.

Dski

Asap

Ongoing

527 MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

527.1 New Members' Listing

List read through.

Dski commented that he believed the difficulty in accessing the Club due to the bridge works was affecting footfall.

Proposed: DR Carried Unanimously

528 CORRESPONDENCE

528.1 Osbornes

TL advised that a letter had been received from Osbornes stating that their insurers would be dealing with the Club's claim for damage to a jetty.

528.2 West Sussex County Council

Letter received thanking the Club for its help hosting the Footbridge Volunteers meeting and other facilities.

528.3 Mr R Fellingham

TL advised that Mr Fellingham had resigned his membership and wrote a letter outlining his reasons for doing so, mainly non availability of lunches mid week. DR stated that he had known Mr Fellingham for many years and would write personally to him.

DR

Asap

Closed

528.4 Mr K Bourne

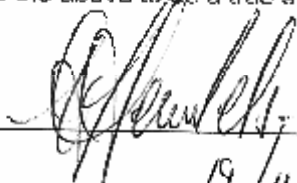
Mr Bourne wrote to advise that he had resigned his membership as he had stopped sailing and, in his opinion, there was very little social activity at the Club.

GR commented that the loss of catering during lunchtime was losing the Club Members. PH commented that it

	was never financially viable to open the Restaurant during the day.			
529	ANY OTHER BUSINESS			
529.1	The Late Charles Partridge			
	TL advised that Mr Partridge very generously left the Club £5,000 in his Will. Suggestions were sought on how to best use the money and remember Charles. It was suggested that a trophy cabinet when the Bar is refurbished. TL to write to the Solicitors to acknowledge receipt of the monies and pass on the Club's thanks.	TL	Asap	Closed
529.2	Adele Boysons' Memorial Trophy			
	Tony Boysons asked if the trophy could be put on display. Unfortunately there was currently no room for it. DR agreed that Mr Boysons could keep the trophy at home, after he assured him that the trophy would be insured. Dski to deliver.	Daki	Asap	Closed
530	DATE OF NEXT MEETING			
	Monday 19 th November			

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2205.

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


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