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**SUSSEX YACHT CLUB  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE  
HELD MONDAY 15<sup>th</sup> June 2015**

**Present:**

D Ramus	Commodore
S Vyse	Vice Commodore, Chair Publicity & New Members
Pat Hill	Rear Commodore, Chair, House Committee
L Woodhams	Rear Commodore, Hon. Treasurer
T Kinch	Rear Commodore, Chair Moorings & Maintenance Cttee
T Cork	Director, Sailing Section Captain
N Fraser-Betts	Director, House Committee
K Headon	Director, Training Principal
G Roberts	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee
M Rummery	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee
D Skinner	Director, Moorings & Maintenance Committee
T Leigh	Ex-officio, Secretary

**Apologies:**

N Prescott	Director
A Weber	Director, Safety Boat Manager
G Weston	Director, House Committee

**Absent:**

D Golding	Director, Buildings Maintenance Committee
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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
<b>881 Minutes of the last meeting</b>			
There were no comments on the accuracy of the minutes distributed on 21 <sup>st</sup> May			
Prop: Vice Comm 2 <sup>nd</sup> : TC Carried unanimously			
<b>882 Matters Arising (not on the agenda) from the last meeting</b>			
<b>882.1 Wavelength:</b>			
SV advised that WL will be completed in the next week (by 21 <sup>st</sup> June) and apologised for delays ongoing	SV	ASAP	ONGOING
<b>882.2 West Entrance Refurbishment Update</b>			
Signage now has planning permission and is in production	DSKI	ASAP	ONGOING
<b>882.3 Champ Condition Report</b>			
TL advised that the Champ is not in a serviceable state due to a suspected fuel leak, broken fendering, tiller and rudder damage. It still requires antifouling and topside painting. Ben has this scheduled to undertake sometime. The Boatswains have replaced the flooring. Tim to pass Marco's report to Adrian for him to plan professional repairs with 3 competitive quotes (DONE)			
<b>882.4 Race results on Website</b>			
Race results are now loaded to website. SV asked if SYC	KH/SV	ASAP	ONGOING

might have an old PC laptop that can be used for results analysis on Sailwave. Kevin to try and source. TC confirmed that SYC Office are now being included in distribution

## **883 House Committee Report**

### **883.1 General report**

Floor now done and looking good, furniture being delivered (mostly) this week, bar stools by month end

### **883.2 Comments Book**

There were no comments in the comments book this month

### **883.3 Bar – Official Opening**

Date agreed as being 1<sup>st</sup> August with cocktails, guest beers, food and invited guests. Details to follow from House Committee. Discussion over whether a new date should be agreed given possible 8 pre Pactolus race boats coming from France on Thursday night. SV to determine if SRF boats are actually coming and confirm to House who will then make final decision on dates

SV/PH      ASAP      ONGOING

### **883.4 Funds Release – New Hot Trolley £1,650**

House had been planning to purchase a new trolley anyway but old one caught fire last week. Unbudgeted funds requested to replace. TL to price check against market and order if appropriate

Proposed: PH 2nd: LW Carried unanimously

## **884 Moorings and Maintenance**

### **884.1 General Report**

MMC have done full audit of yard with ongoing reports on regular basis. Car parking now clear and well received. LW has worked on a car park layout which will be agreed at MMC at next meeting for trial. RIB row has been reconstructed and Dinghy Park handed over to Dinghy Section for the summer. A full audit of Southwick moorings has taken place and allocation of such has been carried out. This will be finally agreed at MMC. There are fewer demands for smaller sailing moorings. Barriers, GR has done some design work with Boatswains and a final scheme is expected to be in place shortly.

DSki advised about rescue boat mooring at Southwick, not been done yet. DSki did thank Boatswains for laying of the sinker to south of moorings on west jetty which has solved problem of crushing.

SV commented on lack of progress of flagpole halyard repair which has not been done despite much chasing.

## **885 Buildings Maintenance Committee**

### **885.1 General Report**

Display cabinet outside office – SV getting quote from Steve Thomas

Comm to sign off restaurant floor work

## 885.2 Southwick HLF Application

DSki has volunteered to chair this project ongoing and will form a small sub committee to take this forward. Recent meeting with architect and fundraiser was progressive and next meeting scheduled for 26<sup>th</sup> June. Project length likely to be c4 years in total from now, anyone joining should be aware of commitment

DSKI      ASAP      ONGOING

### 886      **Finance Committee**

LW confirmed deadline for budget is 26<sup>th</sup> June with Finance Committee on 8<sup>th</sup> July. LW confirmed no changes to purchasing procedures (TL to send with minutes) are proposed. He asked for suggested changes if required by anyone

### 887      **Sailing Section – General Report**

Barts Bash in September in conjunction with BMYC, possible race to Brighton, social, Barts Bash between piers. Meeting to be held with all local clubs at SYC asap including dinghies etc.

SYC regatta in July, NoR to go out this week and discussions in hand for Summer Party with House.

No 1 is off station and needs to be put back asap by boatswains dept. Currently about 1 mile east of no2.

Robin Stevenson won J Cup winning all seven races, never previously done. Commodore to write open letter congratulating him and his crew. Comm/TC to discuss SYC recognition awards etc

COMM      ASAP      ONGOING

DSki running Pactolus.

New Rally Secretary required.

TK asked TC about ideas he has for promoting smaller boats involvement in races, publicity etc TC to liaise with SV to consider appropriate publicity, plan for next year

### 888      **Dinghy/Training/Youth/Sailability – General Report**

Numbers are strong from the start of sailing. 2 Junior Teams. All youth sailing and RYA Onboard is successful with courses full and high attendance

Adult courses will be concentrated on for next year

Black Rock went well with dinghies and keel boats combining well. NoR to dinghies not out quickly enough, Ian O'Dell will deal with this in the future

Training is going well. Extra courses run (practical) and good take up on Fairview courses

Sailability has been busy, not enough sailing specific volunteers, plenty of shore helpers, not enough on-water experts/managers

SYC has new electric engines and new RS Venture sponsored by Wooden Spoon (rugby based charity) who have donated some £11k in total towards this

Match racing back on 3<sup>rd</sup> July, Nick Runsbridge umpiring (National match racing umpire). Forms for entry to be put up shortly to website.

Thanks given to Paula Fox who comes down every Tuesday to assist in her own time.

**889 Royal Escape Race - Report**

Race went well and safely, French helpful. Next year sales will open earlier, bigger numbers, regalia & battle flags back and solo offshore class available again. No Fastnet qualifiers to take boats away from entering.

**890 Publicity and New Members - report**

**890.1** Beach Dreams – Organisation has been late and SV requires help with people manning the stand over the weekend. Quiz being organised, free entry with prizes of “grog” to three winners drawn from correct entries. Plan is to take deposit of £25 from any individual coming to stand signing up for a sail and a meal/drink at SYC. If they join they get £25 towards their membership, if they don't join, the £25 pays the costs of the meal etc.

Concerns over Membership numbers in decline. SV has ideas but needs a volunteer to take on and join his committee of one.

**890.2 New Members Listing**

List read and discussed  
Proposed: Comm; Carried Unanimous

**891 125 Committee – General Report**

Following Hazel's departure and Sam impending departure, concerns expressed that committee too small to be effective. SV attended recent meeting and has put them back on track organising effectively two weekends of activities to celebrate the anniversary. This will include a regatta with finishes off Shoreham Beach, parties at club with huge marquee.

Suggested that if marquee is present earlier might be able to let for weddings/parties/charity event beforehand. Plan is to hopefully engage with town and offer events for all, corporate sponsors from local businesses.

Gala festival second weekend with silver service dinner; plan for own beer and own wine label for the anniversary, fireworks from a barge in river.

Re-issue of “Where River Meets the Sea” updated

DSki offered to come along and assist with debate on logistics

MR advised of member who runs a marquee hire company

(Arms Marquees). SV to contact in due course

**892 Correspondence**

- 892.1** Rampion Windfarm has the green light to start construction later this year onshore and offshore
- 892.2** Old Pulteney Maritime Awards – Agreed that Robin Stevenson should be put up for his J-Cup win with the youth team (former) and Kevin Headon should be put up for help

**893 Any Other Business**

- 893.1** What is a volunteer, who do we need and what positions are available (responsibilities, time commitment etc). SV to prepare a volunteer directory. SV asked all to supply details of their committee volunteers by next meeting to him ALL    ASAP    ONGOING
- 893.2** SV has booked a private corporate event through SYC. This has been billed through Training Section as Paula is co-ordinating it on SV's behalf
- 893.3** Book from Patrick Souiljaert "Stairs for Breakfast" recently published. DSki to read as he is Sailability member and SYC prominently mentioned (apparently). SYC to determine support and contact once read and SYC related content known

**894 Date of Next Meetings:**

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015 (Note, one week early)
- Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015 (Note new date)

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 2211

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

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