

**Minutes of a meeting of the Sailing Committee held online on 10th February 2022 at 7pm**

**Attendance:**

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| Role | Name | Attendance |
| Rear Commodore Sailing | Robert Govier | Yes |
| Sailing and Membership Secretary | Sally Gostelow | Yes |
| Commodore | Kelvin Tolson | Yes |
| Training Principle | Jo Wyles | Yes |
| Chief Instructor and Sailing Equipment Supervisor | Ruth Oliver | Yes |
| Race Recorder Coordinator | Fiona Clarke |  |
| Support Boat Team Representative | Sam Turner | Yes |
| Laser Class Captain | Mike Oliver | Yes |
| Tasar Class Captain | Rick Perkins | Apologies (joined late) |
| Merlin Rocket Class Captain | Huw Reynolds | Apologies |
| General Handicap Dinghy Class Captain | David Connor | Yes |
| Small Catamaran Class Captain | Glenn Cook | Yes |
| Big Catamaran Class Captain | Peter King | Yes |
| Cruisers Class Captain | Jeremy Scott |  |
| Cadet Captain | Finn Crockatt | Apologies |
| Windsurfing Fleet Representative | Simon Reynolds | Apologies |
| Wanderer Dinghy Representative | Richard Maltby |  |
| Slow Handicap Dinghy Class Captain | Position Vacant |  |
| Asymmetric Class Captain | Position Vacant |  |

Robert Govier presented the accompanying slides for discussion.

**Actions & decisions:**

* Minutes of the January meeting approved
* Actions from previous meeting:
  + Simon to reach out to a keen kayak member to see if they are willing to become Kayak ‘class captain/coordinator’
    - Still working on it.
  + Ruth to review options for selling the Argocat, and SC to think about options for replacing it.
    - Temporary vehicle being sourced for the first half of the year. Also, potential storage location for the Argocat until sold
  + To approve the proposed changes to the beach parking arrangements in front of Rigdens Shed, as proposed by Simon Reynolds
    - The changes are intended to improve access for members, and also facilitate easier sailing and support for youth sailors.
    - Approved in principle, however, will need a level of flexibility when implemented, so may need to reduce the cadet boat parking by 3 or 4 to make space for an additional catamaran in front of Rigden Shed
    - Additional tie downs will be needed for the boats on the beach, and a tidy up and move of boats on the West Quay to make parking out there easier for the displaced boats.
    - Assumption that the stored Catamaran masts will remain on the beach for the moment, and this will be reviewed
    - To be actioned at the Working Party in March
* Mike highlighted the need for more Laser spaces due to the growing fleet. He’ll talk to Huw and Rick about reorganising some of the first few rows in front of the club.
* Sally to send Robert details of Sarah Hammond & Liz Atkin – new members – so he can make contact.
* Break away links being fitted to the support boat trailers
* Robert raised the request for a Fireball National Championships in 2024. Agreed to wait on making a decision until after the new AGM when a new Rear Commodore Sailing will be elected.
* Jo Wyles asked Class Captains to put the Discover Sailing on 21st May in their diaries and encourage their fleets to support the event.
* Ruth reported that 2 mirrors have been sold. The byte is up for sale. The 2 Xenons and the Dart 16 are being sold to the Sea Scouts.
* Robert to put a reminder on the website for the boat disposals. Deadline for bids: 19th Feb.
* Ruth raised the issue of Topper and Topaz masts stored in Lower Rigdens. She will send a list to Sally who will liaise with the owners to have them moved. Agreed that there is no available storage for masts with sails on.
* Sam advised that he has taken over the rostering of Committee Boat Drivers. Robert to send him the spreadsheet version of the sailing programme.
* Gender neutrality in sailing awards – The SC agreed to retire (or make gender neutral where possible), any current gender specific prizes/trophies from the start of this sailing season.
* Next SC meeting scheduled for 24th March