

**Minutes of a meeting of the Sailing Committee held on Monday 28 November at 7pm (hybrid format)**

**Attendance**

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| Role | Name | Attendance |
| Rear Commodore Sailing | Steve Gray | Yes |
| Sailing and Membership Secretary | Sally Gostelow | Apols |
| Commodore | Andrew Jackson | Apols |
| Training Principle  | Jo Wyles | Yes  |
| Chief Instructor and Sailing Equipment Supervisor | Ruth Oliver | Yes |
| Race Recorder Coordinator | Fiona Clarke | No |
| Support Boat Team Representative | Sam Turner | Yes |
| Laser Class Captain | Mike Oliver | Yes |
| Tasar Class Captain | Rick Perkins | Yes via zoom |
| Merlin Rocket Class Captain | Jon Bloice | Yes via zoom |
| General Handicap Dinghy Class Captain | David Connor | Yes via zoom |
| Small Catamaran Class Captain | Glenn Cook | Yes via zoom |
| Big Catamaran Class Captain | Peter King | Yes |
| Cruisers Class Captain | Jeremy Scott | No |
| Cadet Captain (represented by) | Matt Crockatt | Apols |
| Windsurfing Fleet Representative | Simon Reynolds | No |
| Asymmetric Class Captain | Iggy McNally | Apols |
| Cadet Chair | Ian Massingham | Apols |
| Slow Handicap Dinghy Class Captain | Position Vacant | n/a |

**Actions & decisions**

Minutes of the October meeting approved.

**Argocat**

Argocat in final stages of E Bay auction.

**New Sailing Members**

None presented.

**Safety Boat Course**

Dates for RYA safety boat course followed by a certificate of competency will be included in 2023 programme (see AOB) **Action: RO**

**Club Racing YTD**

* See updated WYC 2022 spreadsheet
	+ 1639 race starts
	+ Early season well ahead of 2021
	+ Spring/Autumn/Wed series consistent
	+ Summer declined (especially Sat)
	+ High number of club races not sailed: 26%
* Winter series – Laser/all-in handicap classes ongoing

**Major Events 2023**

* Topper National Series May 21/22 (no club racing)
* Discover Sailing Jun 17 (no club racing)
* Laserfest Jul 1/2 (no club racing)
* Whitstable Week Aug 2/6 (Wed to Sun)
* Tasar Open Aug 19/20 (with Town regatta)
* Wanderer event Aug 31/Sep 4 (with club racing)
* Dart/B14 Open Sep 30/Oct 1 (no club racing)

**2023 Programme**

* 2023 programme 4th draft WIP
* Experienced RO’s to handle bigger YC events
* More regular racers (25+) to be allocated 2 duties
* 2nd safety boat – roster where possible when CB start **Action SG/Sally**
* Sally/Steve to complete rest of duties **Action SG/Sally**

T**raining and Cadets**

* The last couple of cadet sessions went well, we had a fish & supper before the open mic night in October which went well.
* In half term we had the last course of the season at Westbere Lake, with some lovely warm weather with various cadets doing stage 1, 2 & 3.
* KSSA training day on 29th October went well, with 23 people and 21 boats taking part, again very lucky with the weather, the young people really enjoyed the day.
* All the boats were winterised on the 5th November, with a well-attended pack away day, making it easy to get them derigged, all the covers and rigging into the class room and boats turned over in quick time.
* Cadet Christmas Parties planned for 25th / 26th November, (5.30 -7.30pm) it is a bring and share food evening, for all cadets and families over two evenings because of the number of cadets.

**Class comments**

None

**AOB**

* It is hoped that David Figgis will loan his tractor again from the start of next season – SG to review some sort of payment for DF. **SG to discuss with MB**
* Entry fee for shared external events – it was agreed that £30 for a weekend meeting is reasonable. **SG to advised Richard Maltby**
* A maximum (and minimum) age for RO, ARO and SB duties was discussed and dismissed as the meeting felt it was down to the individual.
* A race officers training session will be included in the programme on March 12th
* Safety boat training planned for March 4th and March 25th
* There is an issue with the puddle in front of the Rigden shed flooding under the doors **Action MO and team**
* There should be a further reminder to take masts down following the last race of the season **Action Sally/Robert Govier**

**Date of Next Meeting** -Monday 23 January – 7pm (hybrid format).

Steve Gray

November 22