

CHICHESTER CRUISER RACING CLUB

Minutes of the Sailing Committee Meeting held at the offices of Dresser Europe S.A., 197 Knightsbridge, S.W.7., at 7.0 p.m. on Thursday, 23rd November, 1978.

**Present:** The Commodore  
The Vice Commodore and Hon. Treasurer  
Hon. Sailing Secretary

R.P. Morris (deputising for Hon. Sec.)  
D. Lattey  
P. Chivers  
D.M. Silver  
H.A. Caldwell  
I.W. Templeman.

1. Apologies for absence were received from J.D. Bence.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 4th November were taken as read; there were no matters arising which did not appear subsequently on the agenda.

3. Matters arising from the A.G.M.

(a) It was agreed that all races should be finished at Chi and that participants should take their own time at Chi if the committee boat was not on station. Sailing instructions to be amended.

(b) It was agreed that, in line with practice elsewhere and in view of the overwhelming feeling of members as expressed at the A.G.M., C.C.R.C. should no longer require rectangular racing flags to be worn. Sailing instructions to be amended.

(c) An alternative starting line, the Winner Beacon to port, committee boat to starboard, should be included in sailing instructions.

(d) H.N.C.'s to remain in the course booklet.

4. Racing format for 1979. The Committee had received reports from the Commodore, P. Chivers, H.A. Caldwell and N.J. Froy on possible changes to C.C.R.C. racing to incorporate one design and class racing. After considerable discussion on this involved subject, the following basis was agreed for 1979:

(a) All boats would start together, with the possible exception of those races when H.I.S.C. one design cruisers would be invited to join C.C.R.C. racing.

(b) Handicapping would continue to be Alpha class - I.O.R., Beta class - P.Y.

(c) In addition to Alpha and Beta, the communal start would enable "level rating" racing to take place. It was suggested that any design providing a minimum of three starters for a race would create a "level rating" race, results for which would be given separately.

H.A. Caldwell suggested that, in order to reduce the workload on the race office, "level rating" class captains might be appointed to monitor individual class results.

(d) The rating limit for both Alpha and Beta class would be amended to 36 feet L.O.A., thereby obviating the need for a separate Z Class.

(e) As part of their general review of the results service, Messrs. Lattey, Caldwell and Templeman would investigate the possibility of providing overall results based on P.Y.

5. 1979 Programme. Several alterations were agreed to the draft programme which had been circulated by the Hon. Sailing Secretary. The final programme as agreed consists of thirty-six days of racing, of which exactly half are sea races.

6. Points System. The programme as agreed incorporates twenty-two points races, of which seven are Sunday sea races. It was agreed that H.I.S.C. should be invited to race one design cruisers with C.C.R.C. on these seven days and that this should be the basis of a points series - seven races, best 4 results to count. The balance of fifteen races would be an entirely separate series - 15 races, best 8 results to count.

7. Points Trophies. The existing Alpha and Beta points trophies would be awarded for the fifteen race series. The Alpha Sea Race Trophy would be awarded to the Alpha winner of the seven race series and the Hon. Sailing Secretary would approach G. Harris, the donor of the  $\frac{1}{4}$  Ton Cup, with a view to obtaining his permission to re-allocate this trophy to the Beta seven race series.

8. Additional Courses. Committee members are to give consideration to the ways in which the Hard, Bay and W.E. buoys could be incorporated into courses to provide more interesting races.

9. Starting Kit. D. Lattey kindly volunteered to overhaul the starting gear and to investigate the possibility of providing an additional set of numbers so that courses could be displayed on both sides of the committee boat.

10. Book of Trophy Winners. The Hon. Sailing Secretary suggested that the Club should have a book which recorded the trophy winners year by year. D. Silver kindly volunteered to undertake the task of creating such a record by doing the necessary historical research.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 10.50 p.m., with a vote of thanks to the Hon. Sailing Secretary for the use of his offices.