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Minutes of a meeting of the committee held at 6, new Lane Sutton Green on Friday 29th September 1995.

Present :- Peter Wallace
Mike Smith
Rob Mcleod
Jacky Black
Christina Brown
Geoff Maskall

ACTION

1. Apologies were received from Hugh Caldwell, Mike Tong, Glen Jones and Alex Storrar.
2. The minutes of the committee meeting held on Friday 20th January 1995 were approved and then signed.
3. **Matters Arising**

Trophies and Prizes it was agreed that this would be dealt with later in the agenda. The Golden Eye Decanter will now be presented for the Crews Race after permission was sought from Richard Creer.

The club did subscribe to the RYA new membership scheme and JB reported that there had been two enquiries but both were from people wanting to learn to sail so they had been pointed in other directions.

4. **Officers Reports**

Commodore's Report

PW informed the committee of his willingness to stand for a third year as commodore and said he felt that generally the year had been a good one. The fleet format had worked quite well despite some misgivings, in his opinion it would be wise to stick with the present formula for another season in order that some kind of stability be established. He felt that the social programme had been very successful. However the Results and Communications of these needed to be closely examined and sorted out for next season.

In the absence of the Hon Sailing Secretary the following items were discussed at his request: He asked that the ASS team be thanked for their work during the season and hoped that they would be willing to stand again for the coming year.

The destination of the Whitsun Race and Cruise needed to be established. It was decided to discuss this later in the agenda under the item Programme 1996.

Insurance for the club's trophies may need to be looked at M.Smith said he felt this had been done not long ago and that there was a Red Folder with photographs of all the trophies the whereabouts of this folder needs to be established.

JB

The new trophies need to be photographed and added to the folder.

MT

The programme for next season was discussed and PW suggested that a sub committee be set up to look at start times. CB mentioned that following PW's request at the beginning of the season to keep a check on these she had done so and had a note of all the problems that had arisen. It was suggested that the sub - committee be made up of GM ,CB and MT.

MT

Treasurer's Report

RM presented some information about the finances of the Club and that there was a very healthy balance of £7037 to date. He did not feel that there was any need to increase the subs for this year . There would be some additional outlay soon as new prizes had to be purchased. PW said he felt in the light of the currant finances it would be particularly useful to ensure hat the club did not stint on mailing out information as this was the life blood of the club.

Hon Secretary's Report

JB said all her items would be covered further on in the agenda.

5. 1996 Programme.

Details of the destinations for the season were given and some general discussion followed but as the social programme was still to be confirmed there was not much that could be decided. However several points were made:-

It was agreed that the first race should go to Cowes and JB is to try and get Cowes Corinthian YC to host a buffet supper again.

JB

The ASS should be asked to try and secure a discount at West Cowes Marina or possibly arrange to use the Cowes Harbour Pontoon near to Shephards Wharf.

MT

The Commodore's Cup and the date for the RNLI races are already booked with HISC but it was agreed that a sub-committee was needed to over see the former event. It was suggested that Richard Creer, June Tong and Glen Jones be approached to see if they would be willing to take this on. MS said he would speak to RC and GJ and it was hoped that MT would discuss with June .

GM asked that arrangements be made for a more efficient Protest Committee system to be set up for this years event, in the light of the problems that occurred last time.

The start time of the Whitsun race was discussed it was agreed that if the race was to go to Cherbourg, arriving on the Saturday morning would not prove to be a problem as the marina there now has much more capacity. It was agreed that the race should not go direct to Alderney but should go to Cherbourg first as this made it easier for crews and families to leave or join boats as needed. It was suggested that the Sailing Secretary and his ASS look at the tide times , and at other Solent Clubs Race Programmes before a decision be made to the start time of the race.

After some further discussion it was agreed to try and get Alderney Sailing Club to provide a Buffet supper again on the Sunday evening and that the cruise would then go to the two new ports on the West of the Cherbourg Peninsula.

CB asked that the course for the Seaview afternoon races be looked at with a view to setting a course that can be easily shortened especially after the rather slow start to this year's afternoon race which resulted in some boats not finishing until nearly 7.00pm

It was agreed that the Sailing Sub committee should look at this and provide some better alternative courses.

MT

The Corporate Sailing day has been provisionally booked for the 27th of June and Richard Creer has agreed to organise it. MT to liaise.

MT

6. AGM

The date has been circulated to members and it will be held at CYC the agenda will be much as usual and as there were no resignations or nominations it was felt that the meeting would relatively straight forward.

It was agreed that the informal meeting may well raise several items which need addressing such as start times, trophies and the results service.

7. Dinner Dance 1995

JB reported that the plans were progressing well and the ticket price was agreed at £27.00.

JB reported that her school secretary would be unable to attend this year and that it was doubtful if Pam Metcalf would be well enough. It was agreed that an invitation should be sent none the less.

JB

8. TROPHIES

A general discussion took place about the allocation of prizes and various points of view were voiced. It was agreed that the club could afford to purchase some extra trophies to be awarded this year to winners in the various fleets which did not have trophies already allocated. It was also agreed that we should ask for more trophies to be presented by members. JB mentioned that she had already agreed to present a Trophy for the third Series Points or Bay series which ever was needed, and that Pam Marrs had offered to present a trophy for the third Ladies Race. The format of the Ladies race was then discussed and it was agreed that in future this event should be raced in two fleets only CHS and Non rated so that only two trophies would be needed. JB was asked to discuss this with Pam Marrs before she gets a trophy engraved - Also confirm medal

JB

JB suggested that Brenda Rickard be approached to see if she would mind if the club designated one of the new trophies to John's memory, and ask her if she would like to come and present it at the DD. It was also agreed that some extra RNLI pennants be ordered for the club and that we might ask Kay Laing to make three extra large CCRC pennants to be used as additional prizes.

It was noted that the club had in stock 77 glasses from old stock and it was agreed that an additional 100 be ordered urgently from the same supplier for this year's prizes and that in addition some "Special" glasses be ordered as mentioned above.

JB

It was mentioned that several of the trophies and prizes from the Commodore's Cup had not been presented and it was agreed that these would be given out at the AGM or the DD.

9. **A.O.B**

Pam Metcalfe's recent illness was reported on and JB was able to inform the committee that Pam has made an excellent recovery. It was agreed that a presentation should be made to Pam for her services to the club and in recognition of her 25 years of service. Hopefully this will be presented to her at the DD.

The question of circulation was discussed and it was agreed that for the moment the club could manage without a circulation secretary as JB had the facilities at work to deal with the matter. However it was agreed that this situation would need to be reviewed regularly in the future. JB would need to liaise with MT over the sailing instructions and the format for these, it was suggested that the obvious thing would be to have the basic layout on disc and then the relevant details could be added easily for each race.

JB

MS said he felt that the club should look again at the cost of purchasing a photocopier. The Results programme was then discussed at some length as it would appear that it is still not producing the combined points correctly as the programme still does not take into consideration the allowances for the number of starters. MS said he would ask his son to look at the programme and see if he could amend it.

MS

It was agreed that MT should follow up what is happening and that it was his role to ensure that the results were being distributed properly. Clear instructions need to be given to the Results Officer about who is entitled to results and the frequency of the service.

MT

It was agreed that an explanation and an apology to members would be needed at the AGM.

PW

The problem of only having one signature on the club cheques was discussed in view of RM's imminent departure to the Arc Race and it was agreed that MS would also become a signatory.

RM/MS

The date of the next meeting was set for Saturday 4th November following the AGM at CYC starting at 2.00pm (subject to them being able to provide the facility)

Di Wallace was thanked for providing much appreciated food and the meeting closed at 10.45 pm

Jacky Black
Hon Sec. 9.10.95