

**OSSC Committee**  
**Minutes of Meeting on 22.08.14 at Dolphin House at 3.00 pm**

**1. Present**

Peter Beck, Jerry Clark, Sue Gathercole, Paul Goakes [chair], Jane Heath, Andrew Storer, Andy Turner, Camilla Warner

Apologies: Dave Cooper, Ashley Deakin, Ben Goakes

**2. Minutes of meeting on 26.05.14**

Correction to para 3, Pennant Races: the Lifeboat Institute is still providing pennants but in a smaller version.

The minutes, after the above correction, were approved.

**3. Matters arising from the minutes**

3.3 Regatta mugs: mugs had been produced. 1st's were numbered and dated, others had regatta logo only ie were transferrable to avoid waste.

3.10 Bank Account: PB said that formalities had been completed and CW & AT were now confirmed as additional account signatories. Online access had not been set up. CW & AT would pursue this via the Wells branch.

3.5 Website forum: need to discuss with DC ways to activate use of the forum.

**4. Boathouse/clubroom update**

PG reported that while the Club had presented its position clearly, discussions with the Boathouse had made little progress. Taking on the upstairs room would pose practical problems, and recently other options had been floated eg taking the ground floor back room; or a shared rather than a dedicated space, given that the Club anticipated needing a room at limited times only.

Since the Boathouse itself was in a state of flux, and had other interested groups to negotiate with, the meeting accepted that it would be unrealistic to expect a quick resolution. It was agreed that the working group continue discussions with the Boathouse with an open mind as to what would be the best outcome for the Club.

It was agreed the membership be kept informed via a notice on the website, to be drafted by the working group.

**5. Sailing Programme**

5.1 Rescheduled races: the fixtures webpage had been updated. It was hoped to run the Adult & Child race after the Nod race.

5.2 Regatta: Practical matters re race officer and safety boat cover, the bbq and replacing the escaped buoy A were agreed.

5.3 Junior training: it had not proved possible to reschedule the blown-off session [for which 5 juniors had booked]. In view of practical difficulties of scheduling, child protection, safety etc it was suggested we try a different

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approach next year and explore a link with Brancaster Sailing Club's junior training week. AT would liaise with BSC re the possibility of an agreement with OSSC allowing special access for our junior members. OSSC could offer support to make it easier, where needed, for OSSC juniors to attend eg trailing boats to Brancaster.

AT

BSC was developing junior activities very effectively and making positive links with schools. In view of this it was also agreed that the Primary Schools Sailing Day should not be offered by OSSC next year.

AT

**6. Proposed new trophies**

6.1 Murray Noyes: AT had been approached by Mrs Noyes offering to present a trophy in memory of her late husband. The fixture list is already full therefore it was decided to take no action on this at present.

6.2 Chris Geering: JH had spoken to Richard Heffer, who welcomed the proposed division of the Trafalgar series into two separate races, one of which would be the Chris Geering memorial race. RH did not wish to be involved in procuring the trophy, which needed to be something suitably imaginative and idiosyncratic. SG agreed to sound out Lucy Geering to see if she and Sophie wished to advise.

SG

6.3 Jubilee Trust Pennant: as the Jubilee Trust was no longer providing pennants, and since we already have two 'Jubilee' races [plate and jug], it was agreed to drop the pennant race and rename the existing Jubilee Plate as the 'Jubilee Trust Plate'.

AT

**7. Family membership**

PB and CW proposed introducing a new family membership rate. It was also felt the junior membership fee should be increased. It was therefore agreed to put forward a new fee structure, as follows, for approval at the AGM:

Adult	£15
Junior	£5
Family	£35

**8. Harbour Trust Report**

Refer to the latest 'Up the Creek' for HT news. Concerns were voiced about the number of new moorings appearing and cluttering up what should be the fairway. The HT is apparently looking into the problem.

**9. AOB**

The safety boat key bunch had been lost and PG had changed the safety boat lock as a precaution.

**10. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on 1 November 2014 at 11.00 am at Windward.