

Minutes for the SSC Annual General Meeting Held at SSC on the 24th October 2021 at 10.00

Attendees:

Sophie Mackley (Chair), Tyler Harmsworth, Ben Jones, Adam Thompson, Fiona Stevens, William Warren, John Shelton, John Thompson, Ivan Walsh, Gareth Griffiths, Bill Whitney, Lisa Whitney, Philip Ayton, Rob Rattray, Andy Dean, Alex Warren, Jonty Freeman, Gary Inkpen, Jeff McTaggart, Rhys Griffiths, Nick Le Mare, Mark Feltham, Mandy Hammond, Chas Hammond, Martin Walker, Nick Moore, Hugh Mehta, Will Carroll, Alan warren, Stephen Piper.

1. Apologies

1.1. Were Received from: Toby Lywood, Paul Walker, Lou Carr & Peter Snowdon

2. Minutes of 2020 AGM

Proposed: William Warrren Seconded: Tyler Harmsworth

Carried

3. Trustees Annual Report

3.1. Sophie Mackley (SM) explained that the report was for the Charity Commission, however would not be available for review by members ahead of presentation to the charity commission. The committee hoped to receive members agreement and advance acceptance. Sophie then read a summary of the report.

Proposed: Sophie Mackley Seconded: Alex Warren

Carried

4. Chairman's Report

4.1. Sophie Mackley (SM), Commodore read her report.

5. Treasurer's Report

- 5.1. Philip Ayton (PA), treasurer read the report.
- 5.2. Nick Le Mare asked why the jump in the insurance cost. PA explained the rise was due to the new committee boat, which was expensive to insure. He stated the overall insurance cot was not expensive, given turn over.
- 5.3. PA then advised he was stepping down after fifteen years as treasurer.

Chris Lintern said he had worked with PA, who was brilliant and asked for a round of applause. All members joined in.

Proposed: Philip Ayton Seconded: Ben Jones

Carried

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6. Approval of Accounts

SM explained that we cannot approve the accounts and elect the auditor until they are finalised. However, hoped that as with the trustees' report, members would approve in advance. See below.

7. Re-elect Auditor

SM explained that we cannot elect the auditor. However, hoped that as above, members would approve the re-election in advance.

Proposed: Philip Ayton Seconded: Nick Le Mare Carried with one abstention

8. Approve 2022 Subscriptions & Boat Fees

Subscriptions: Annual subscriptions to increase by £5 on all categories. Boat parking fees to main the same.

Proposed: Philip Ayton Seconded: Helen Hilditch

Carried

9. Re-election of Committee Members

SM asked that the committee be re-elected en-masse as listed in the agenda;

Re-election of committee members

Secretary: Helen Hilditch
Sailing Secretary: Ben Jones
Membership: Chris Handel
Merlin Rocket: William Warren

D-Zero: Steve Southall

Cruising fleet captain: Jamie Wright

RS200: Louise Carr

Multihull: Stuart BenjaminDutyman: Paul Walker

Junior Development: Gareth GrifithsSocial co-ordinator: Ivan Walsh

Facilities and maintenance: Will Carroll

Training: Richard Bramley

Proposed: Sophie Mackley Seconded: Rob Rattray

Carried

Election of New Committee Members

The following new committee members were then elected;

Commodore: Tyler Harmsworth
 Proposed: Sophie Mckley
 Seconded: Helen Hilditch

Carried

Vice-Commodore: Peter Snowdon Proposed: Tyler Harmsworth Seconded: Chrs Lintern

Carried



Treasurer: Rob Rattray

Proposed: Gareth Griffiths Seconded: Nick Le Mare

Carried

Wayfarer fleet captain: Philip Ayton

Proposed: Ben Jones Seconded: John Shelton

Carried

Junior fleet: VacantHandicap fleet: Vacant

If anyone wishes to or knows of anyone who would be interested in filling the vacancies, please advise the committee.

10. Election of Trustees

Ian Knight and Philip Ayton have been put forward as SM is stepping down.

Proposed: Sophie Mackley Seconded: Tyler Harmsworth

Carried

11. AOB

11.1. Swimming Membership

SM opened the discussion by explaining to members, that we have had over 100 visitors swimming from the club. It may therefore be good to offer a swimming membership, to use the club facilities. The membership would meet the club's sporting aims for watersports and would bring in money to the bar.

There was a discussion with members airing their views and an informal vote, with half the members for and half against.

Chris Lintern commented that in his time on the committee, they welcomed 4 sculling members and within a short space of time, were cutting keys and 8 scullers were going out.

Ivan Walsh stated that it is a working harbour and as soon as there is an accident swimming would be banned from the beach/slip.

Others said that before a vote or decision is made, the club's membership have to decide whether it is a sailing club or multi watersports club.

Nick Le Mare said that any decision would need to be included in the next 5-year plan for the club. The neighbours would also need to be taken into consideration.

Chris Lintern said he felt he Scouts and Adur have the same ethos as SSC, but the swimmers may not.

SM said to survive and fit in the community we will have to diversify.

Ian Knight said if the swimmers are part of the club there is more control than if not.

To be revisited when or if required.

11.2. Py's for different rig sizing for single handers

SM read Toby Lywood's proposal as below;

"Lasers, D-zeros and Aeros all have more than one sail size, to suit various sailing conditions and helm weight. Currently the same boat with a different sail is classed as a different boat within a



race series. If you choose to downsize the rig, you have to use the PY of the larger sail to keep a single entry in the series.

I think that it would be a positive step to allow rig downsizing without PY penalty. This would encourage sailors to use the most appropriate rig for the conditions. It would also mean the lighter sailor would be more likely to participate on a 'windy' day.

I suspect it's not as significant for doublehanders, although they may have the option of fuller/flatter sails or change of crew which does not attract any penalty that I am aware of..."

Ben Jones commented that it was always general practice at other clubs to have to continue with the same rig all year, and use a separate entry if changing rigs.

The halfway house is to use the larger rig size PY all year, even if changing rigs, therefore no real benefit.

Gareth Griffiths and Martin Walker agreed.

It was decided to remain as per the current separate entries.

11.3. New Commodore's Introduction

A presentation of flowers and hearty thanks was made to SM, the outgoing commodore.

Tyler Harmsworth (TH), the new commodore, gave a small introduction to the duties he planned to carry out.

- Aimed to look at the 5-year plan and continue to expand and develop.
- Winter Works: plan to refurb the interior of the club house, requests will be sent out to members to assist, with notices on the website.

11.4. Prize Giving & Annual Party

William Warren announced that the annual prize giving and party would be held on the 27th November, please advise if coming, so the catering numbers can be confirmed to Fete n Lime.

Ivan Walsh will be running the bar and DJ'ing with some other guest DJ's.

Should be lots of fun!