RS700 2017 AGM Minutes

Thurs 25 Aug 17 Stokes Bay Sailing Club

Chair: Richard Wadsworth Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	Apologies:	
	Hamish Griffiths.	
2	Present:	
	James Bayliss, Robbie Bell, Graham Blake, David Bridle, Stephen Carr, Matt Carter, Chris	
	Chambers, Simon Clark, Matt Conner, Colin Dacey, Spike Daniels, Theo Galyer, Adrian	
	Howe, Ed Napolitano, Peter Onions, Peter Purkiss, Simon Redfearn, Miles Roebuck, Alex	
	Newton-Southon, Roland Smith, Ian Swann, Roger Taylor, Richard Wadsworth, Jerry	
	Wales (23 present out of 29 competitors)	
3	Welcome:	
	The Chair Richard Wadsworth warmly welcomed everyone to his home club Stokes Bay	
	and to the AGM.	
4	Committee:	
	a. Chair: Richard Wadsworth (RW) is happy to continue as Chair. Colin Dacey proposed.	
	Robbie Bell seconded. All were in support. Carried.	
	b. Technical: RW asked for a volunteer to fill the technical position.	
	c. Training Co-ordinator: RW asked for a volunteer to fill the training position.	
	d. Communication: RW asked for a volunteer to run fleet communication.	
	e. The Chair invited more RS700 sailors to get involved with the Committee.	All
5	Matters arising from 2016 minutes:	
	a. Coaching: Sec Clare Sargent (CS) is looking into 2018 coaching.	Sec
	b. RS700 DVD: Heather Chipperfield is chasing up production.	Sec
	c. Technical rule changes: The proposed amendments to kicker and rig tensioner were	Jee
	approved. Rules amended and published.	
6	Membership:	
0	a. RW asked all to spread the good news about membership among their friends.	
	b. CS asked to investigate all non-attendees. Afternote: CS will contact as many past	Sec
	RS700 sailors as can with news of RS Games. The big press push for this event is an	Sec
	opportunity to welcome past sailors back into the fold. This could be linked into Chair's	Chair
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7	Fleet communication:	
'	It was agreed that it would be good to gather up all recent technical info into one	Chair and
8	document and post to library and forum.	Sec
0	Technical update from Alex Newton-Southon:	
	Alex Newton-Southon (ANS) published document explaining RS700 changes and	
	presented it to the fleet at the Summer Championship 10 June 2017. Document in	
	RS700 library here:	
	http://www.rs700.org/documents/p1bie845t33r214141u441mobllj3.pdf	
	a. Daggerboard: Change design to standard daggerboard used by RS Aero, can go into	
	old boat with appropriate sanding of casing, costs £160 so less expensive, ensures part in	
	stock, current supplier of RS700 specific daggerboard stopped production so would	
	require another supplier, trialled over past few months with no noticeable difference.	
	RW sanded his daggerboard case and has been using the new board. No difference	
	noticed but it is stiffer when you stand on it to right the boat. Advantage is cost and	
	availability. Disadvantage is need to sand boat accurately to fit. Needs template to	
	guide sanding. ANS asked if the floor would be happy to put the change to the	
	daggerboard to a vote. RW proposed to draft a proposal for a formal class vote. There	

was unanimous support to ANS call for a vote and RW offer to draft the proposal. b. Spreader: ANS has kit to guide new holes to fit new spreader. It will be online shortly. c. ANS will make carbon reinforcement for where wing bar meets shroud bottle, and deck where support ratchet fits. d. ANS will investigate redesign of tang kicker joint. d. Training sail: Chris chambers trialled day one with this sail. It is currently for sale on RS Sailing Store as "storm sail". This is incorrect naming. It is a training sail and as such not class legal for racing. ANS will amend website sail name. e. Mainsail design: ANS is investigate the concept of square head mainsail. It would be more manageable for the lighter sailor because it can be more easily opened up and depowered. Balance is needed so not to disadvantage the heavier sailor. It would keep the RS700 looking modern. Alm to be easier for different weights and abilities. f. Two kickers broke today. ANS will investigate the problem. Noted to look at improving value as well as quality. 9 Review of 2017 season: a. Snettisham: Fab. Very big thanks to Robbie and club. Great boost to start year. b. Summers at HISC: Well attended. c. Euros in Czech Repblic: Good event. Strong Czech fleet. Need to bring them into the fold and encourage participation at UK Nats. RS Games great opportunity here. d. Nats in Sept.: Fleet all very happy having Nats in Sept. Need for good gap between Nats and Euros. Afternote: 2018 Euros and Nats at Aug RS Games but Euro Cup in May. 2019 Euros Garda late July and Nats Eastbourne SSC in Sept dates tbc. e. Brightlingsea coming up: Free Sat evening meal, free bacon butty, Sat band. f. Inlands at End of Seasons GMSC: CS to amend even trace format because sprints do not work for skiffs. Afternote: Format amended. Preview of 2018 calendar: Afternote: RS700 inlands rescheduled to 24-25 Feb due to lack of water at QMSC. a. April to be left gapped for UK event. Freen Open Skiff 30 Mar – 1 Apr. b. May: Shett Fest Two S-7 May, Grand Prix three. c. Aug:			1
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