

## RS Class Association Management Meeting Minutes 22 January 2019

RS Sailing, Romsey

Chair of Meeting: Heather Chipperfield

Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Jenny Douglas (UK RS400), Ian Montague (UK RS600), Jon Partridge (RS Sailing), Pete Vincent (Chair)</p> <p><u>Present:</u> Lynn Billowes (RS Sailing), Sally Campbell (Sec), Heather Chipperfield (Meeting Chair), Luke and Emma McEwen (UK RS800), Vicky Payne (RS Sailing), Clare Sargent (Sec)</p> <p><u>Phone In:</u> Maarten Berendschot (NED RS500), Theo Galyer (UK RS700), Jo Hewitson (UK RS200), Huw Powell (UK RS100), Robbie O’Sullivan (Irish RS400), Jochem Slikboer (Int RS500), Paul Watson (UK RS300)</p>	
2	<p><u>Matters Arising:</u></p> <p>2.1 RS200 boat issues: Rule change to remove whisker pole to be carried forward.</p> <p>2.2 RS700 boat issues: Gooseneck fitting to mast, spreader insert instructions, boom thickness to be carried forward. Kicker take out to rack – investigation ongoing.</p> <p>2.3 RS100 boat issues: New RS100s to be made. Fleet very happy. Thanks to all involved in making this happen.</p> <p>2.4 RS400 boat issues: Sorted.</p> <p>2.4 RS100s 2019 Europeans is booked as part of Dutch Open Skiff Trophy at Aquavitese 6-7 Oct 2019.</p> <p>2.5 Membership communication: Crews now added to fast news email system.</p> <p>2.6 Sail Deal 2019: Inclusion of RS300 and RS600? <u>Afternote:</u> Boat Yard at Beer decision.</p> <p>2.7 RS Summer Regatta June 2020: RS400 and RS800 keen for Royal Torbay YC. RS700 keen for HISC cos home fleet. RS300 happy support majority decision. RS100 await RS200 decision. RS200s to give decision to SC after cttee meeting.</p> <p>2.8 RS Lynn to provide notes from RS Games wash-up meeting. To be circulated with these minutes.</p> <p>2.9 Lynn and Pete Vincent working on Sportography video footage from RS Games to make gate start video. RS600s using the video for coaching. RS800s using for anniversary video.</p> <p>2.10 Coaching for RS100, RS200 and RS400 booked with Pete Vincent at Llandegfedd SC 6-7 April. Four of ten boat spaces already sold.</p>	<p>HC &amp; PV</p> <p>CS/Theo Galyer/Alex N-S</p> <p>JP</p> <p>CS &amp; SC</p> <p>SC/Jo Hewitson</p> <p>Lynn</p>
3	<p><u>Treasurer:</u> The hunt is still on for a new Treasurer. Chairs to aid search.</p>	All
4	<p><u>Merchandise:</u></p> <p>4.1 RS700 polo shirt in progress.</p> <p>4.2 CS awaits instruction on RS300 national tour t-shirt.</p> <p>4.3 RS800 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary t-shirt in association with Rooster in progress.</p> <p>4.4 Emma McEwen developing design for generic RS Class Association merchandise in association with Rooster.</p> <p>4.5 Lynn to provide high res logos for all fleets.</p> <p>4.6 Lynn requested that all logos are checked with RS Marketing for brand consistency.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>EMcE/CS</p> <p>Lynn Secs &amp; Lynn</p>
5	<p><u>Boat Matters:</u></p> <p>5.1 RS500 NED: Technical committee involved in consultation about new design which links in with elements of RS Aero and RS800 design. All impressed with new design. It looks great. Await proposal to put to fleet for membership vote. Clearance required from World Sailing. Alex Newton-Southon plans test sail in March. Aim for new hull at Dinghy Show.</p>	<p>Alex N-S</p> <p>HC &amp; Alex N-S</p>

	<p>5.2 RS700: Kicker modification review in hand.</p> <p>5.3 RS300: Boom doubled in price. Richard Le Mare is working with Super Spars to source new boom.</p> <p>5.4 RS600: Thanks to Alex N-S for his work on new boat and new sails.</p>	
6	<u>Membership:</u> Statistics circulated.	
7	<p><u>Calendar 2020:</u></p> <p>7.1 Euro 2020 event: RS400s keen on Nieuwpoort, Carnac or NED. RS800s keen on FRA with Gilles to advise. RS700s and RS200s keen on FRA, RS100s will go with majority, RS600s would like to consult fleet re: potential to be included once venue/date known. HC will tentatively book Carnac for late May Bank Hol 2020.</p> <p>7.2 Euro 2021: RS700 and RS800 keen on Garda.</p> <p>7.3 Euro 2022: RS Games NED.</p>	HC
8	<p><u>Dinghy Sailing Show 2019:</u></p> <p>8.1 To be very similar to 2018. CS to work with Lynn. RS800 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary party 1600-1700hrs before RS launch party 1700-1800hrs. George as DJ and beer.</p> <p>8.2 Fleets to provide volunteers to man stands both days. Names to CS. CS to give names to Lynn DSS – 3 weeks to allow for wristband postage. CS to send Lynn her DSS admin instruction. <u>Afternote:</u> Done.</p> <p>8.3 All work to be as eco compliant as possible, especially give-aways. Bryony Meakin RS800 sailor has agreed to be sailor Sustainability Rep</p>	CS/Lynn
9	<p><u>Coaching:</u></p> <p>9.1 RS100, RS200 and RS400: Pete Vincent at Llandegfedd 6-7 April.</p> <p>9.2 RS300: Cancelled due to lack of interest.</p> <p>9.3 RS700: Currently being organised for Oxford SC.</p> <p>9.4 RS800: Will Crocker at Oxford SC 30 March. Currently booking second coach to expand capacity for six more boats.</p> <p>9.5 RS500: Rutland SC 26 April the day before RS Sprints booked.</p> <p>9.6 Seven clubs took up offer for £50 grant for RS200 training to invigorate their home fleet. RS200 youth training booked for day before nationals.</p> <p>9.7 RS600: Coaching day before nationals.</p> <p>9.8 RS400: Demo weekend underway.</p> <p>9.9 RS400: Coaching day before nationals at RNIYC.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>CS</p> <p>CS</p> <p>CS</p> <p>SC</p> <p>SC</p> <p>HC</p> <p>HC</p>
10	<p><u>RS500 and RS700 Training DVDs:</u></p> <p>10.1 RS700: Theo Galyer to chase Mark Rushall. CS and HC to support if required. Recommend review content before release.</p> <p>10.2 RS500: Video to be made where the boat is actively sailed ie NED when funds available.</p>	Theo Galyer/CS/HC
11	<p><u>Secretariat/Class Relationship:</u></p> <p>11.1 RS500 International: Jochem updated. Communication tool PEEPL has been implemented. 92% of members currently signed up. It is being used lots by NED, FRA, CZE and ITA. Lots of contact between National Chairs who are having monthly meetings. <u>Afternote:</u> As the PEEPL communication tool costs &gt;€1,000/annum, the RS500 committee have been advised that they will have to fund this, and any other expenditures, from the International RS500 membership (€17/person, minus any general secretariat administration charges). HC has stood down as International RS500 Sec. Olivier Beyls is acting as Sec as well as Int RS500 Chair. The support of HC and the RS Class Association is greatly appreciated.</p> <p>11.2 RS700 and RS800 fleets happy that stuff actually gets done.</p>	
12	<u>Sponsorship:</u> Noble Marine hope to continue but uncertain. Volvo presentation early February due to overall review of sailing sponsorship. Any	HC

	suggestions for sponsors welcomed. Perhaps more smaller sponsors? Ideas to HC please. Lynn to provide demographics to HC. All fleets to work together.	Lynn
13	<p><u>Accounts:</u></p> <p>13.1 We made some unexpected profit at the RS Games. However we are anxious in 2019 about sponsorship uncertainty. Reserve of £30,000. Suggest discretionary spend of £3000 by fleets (amount proportionate to boat numbers at RS Games). HC to send figures out and chairs to feedback by 8 Feb.</p> <p><u>Afternote:</u> Done. RS800s suggest use to generate more entries to nationals. RS400 Ireland suggest use for long-term strategic gain eg new trophy. HC asked all to read Harry Roome's 2019 budget commentary and the accounts.</p> <p>13.2 A huge vote of thanks was raised for Harry Roome for his marvellous work as Treasurer.</p> <p>13.3 Suggestion to move year end away from December cos busy time of year.</p> <p>13.4 HC hopeful in hunt for new treasurer. If fails may look to pay for limited hours audit work of accountant: 1 to 2 hours per month, one day at year end.</p>	<p>HC All</p> <p>HC HC</p>
14	<p><u>AOB:</u></p> <p>14.1 Robbie O'Sullivan stated that RS200 Euro Cup entry open online. Four day event including RS400 Irish Northern Champs on weekend. SC to support and advertise hard next week. Robbie to encourage local fleet to enter to show intent cos can pay later. 4 day event could problematic for Irish juniors due to school term. Idea of RS200 weekend junior entry and trophy to encourage entry. Robbie was thanked for his enthusiasm and hard work.</p> <p>14.2 Theo Galyer disappointed that Garda clashes with RS Aero and RS Feva events so no six boat trailer available from RS. Advised to assume no Volvo available either. HC making enquiries about triple stacker. Need to match make double stackers. SC to give John McKelvie as triple stacker contact. RS700 and RS800 fleets to share transport comms on whatsapp. HC to action from entry details. Will invite sailors to join the group. HC to write Idiot's guide to towing to Garda. <u>Afternote:</u> There may be a multi-stacker available from RS.</p> <p>14.3 Question about travel insurance suitable for Garda. Suggestions from the floor included Sport Cover Direct and Virgin annual policies.</p> <p>14.4 RS800 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary: Luke McEwen explained reunion regatta on Saturday 7 Sept with dinner in evening. Need to invite RS800 past sailors and key RS800 folk. Lynn to help with RS800 names. To include Martin Wadham, Nick Peters, Riki Hooker, Alex Newton-Southon. HC to provide archived results and Joanne Boutle can provide contact details. CS to help.</p> <p>14.5 Vikki Payne introduced herself as holding new role of RS Events Co-ordinator. All welcomed her. She will help with RS800 reunion regatta and dinner. She asked for sensible spacing between events sand for fleet clashes to be avoided so RS can support as many as possible.</p>	<p>SC</p> <p>HC SC HC HC</p> <p>Lynn/Luke McEwen HC CS</p> <p>Vicky</p>
15	<p><u>Date of Next Meetings:</u></p> <p>Tuesday 26 March 2019, RS Sailing, Romsey. Conference call details will be sent out with calling notice.</p>	All

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