

UK RS Class Association Management Meeting Minutes Mon 13 March 2017

RS Sailing, Romsey

Chair of Meeting: Harry Roome

Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Sally Campbell (Sec), Richard Wadsworth (UK RS700). <u>Present:</u> Heather Chipperfield (Sec), Chris Feibusch (UK RS800), Michiel Geerling (Int RS500), Jon Partridge (RS Sailing), Harry Roome (Treasurer), Clare Sargent (Sec), Max Tosetti (UK RS400), Martin Wadhams (RS Sailing), <u>On telephone:</u> Mark Harrison (UK RS100), Richard Le Mare (UK RS300). Harry Roome (HR) welcomed everyone.</p>	
2	<p><u>Minutes of Last Meeting:</u></p> <p>a. Jon Partridge (JP) is still investigating the app. Michiel Geerling (MG) will investigate commercial platform tie in. JP will email app requirements to Chris Feibusch who will investigate options. HC will work with JP to put a request out to the membership.</p> <p>b. RS600s have returned to the fold with 16 members currently. For 2017 they have chosen a small circuit of standing open events. They want to come to the RS Games. Sally Campbell is their new Secretary.</p> <p>c. RS400 survey has had 165 responses so far and closes this week. Max Tosetti (MT) and HC will analyse and share results with JP and other interested fleets.</p>	<p>JP, MG, HC and CF</p> <p>HC and SC</p> <p>MT and HC</p>
3	<p><u>RS Class Association Chair:</u> Position vacant. Keep on agenda.</p>	CS
4	<p><u>RS Class Collaboration Project</u></p> <p>a. Harry Roome (HR) is keen that we keep an eye on the number of club members. Membership stats required for next meeting. The 2000 Class Association is able to ask Clare Sargent should it need any help.</p> <p>b. Membership benefits: Lucy Jameson to be asked to investigate asking for more benefits in line with those available to members of RYA, Cruising Association, Caravan and Camping Club etc eg ferry and holiday companies. To think about recommend a friend discount.</p>	Lucy Jameson
5	<p><u>RS Class Association Logo and Branding:</u></p> <p>a. New constitution posted on websites.</p> <p>b. Club Membership to be promoted via Dinghy Show, Website, facebook, clubs, Club Captains and Brand Ambassadors such as Pete Vincent etc.</p> <p>c. CS will work with Richard Le Mare (RLM) to provide RS300 merchandise for their 20th anniversary.</p> <p>d. A branded calendar mouse mat was suggested. SC to investigate for 2018.</p>	<p>Secs to meet and action</p> <p>CS</p> <p>SC</p>
6	<p><u>UK Calendar 2017:</u></p> <p>a. RLM asked for ideas how to encourage past RS300 champions to attend the RS300 20th Anniversary event 16-17 Sept 17 and the champion of champions race. A media public call to action was suggested in addition to directly targeting past sailors. CS and RLM need to have a meeting.</p>	CS and RLM
7	<p><u>UK Calendar 2018:</u></p> <p>a. RLM briefed that the RS300 2018 calendar would include BCYC Slalom. HC confirmed that 10 boats would be needed for an RS300 start line at Carnac.</p>	CS
8	<p><u>RS Games 2018</u></p> <p>a. Good meeting held at the Dinghy Show. A site visit is required with HC, JP, Lucy Jameson, CS and Pete Vincent to attend.</p> <p>b. RS600s to be added to programme.</p>	<p>HC, JP, Lucy Jameson, CS, Pete Vincent</p> <p>HC</p>
9	<p><u>Training DVDs:</u></p> <p>a. RS300, RS500 and RS700: ongoing.</p>	HC

	b. RS800 new video explaining boom sheeting required.	HC
10	<p><u>Any Other Business:</u></p> <p>a. "Green Paper" causing interest. JP explained how RS Feva looking into short track championship timed lap event, like go-karting. Reaching start and finish. Race track open for 1.5 hours. Repeat as many times as want. Mutiliple winners: team, fastest, most improved etc. Michiel Geerling (MG) explained that treasure hunts were popular in Denmark. In the Netherlands the well attended events are round the cans navigation races. Chris Feibusch explained about the popular RS800 Nationals race home and crews' race. Mark Harrison state that the RS100 Nationals was going to have one sprint day with 6 races. All to continue to explore alternative race options.</p> <p>b. HC thanked JP and RS Sailing for their support at the Dinghy Show. She thanked CS for her admin support. Most importantly she thanked the volunteers for making the RS Sailors Club area so much fun. JP asked that for 2018 we look to have every class boat sponsor branded. The Whyte Bike RS800 and bike caused a real buzz. Each class should have a main message to promote to make the most of the opportunity to spread the word. 2018 Dinghy Show will be all about the RS Games.</p> <p>c. Magic Marine have generously agreed to sponsor all class national circuits again this year. Awaiting decision on event prize bling.</p> <p>d. JP announced that Volvo sponsorship is continuing. Details tbc.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>CS</p> <p>HC and CS</p>
11	<p><u>Date of Next Meetings:</u> 1800hrs Mon 22 May 17 at RS Romsey. Conference call details will be sent out with calling notice.</p>	All

Clare Sargent

RS Class Association Secretary