

BRIGHTLINGSEA ONE DESIGN ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at 11am on Sunday 10 April at the Colne Yacht Club

MINUTES

Present:

C53 – Mark White – Chairman
C16 – Phil Rust - Treasurer
C52 – Fiona Brown – Class Secretary
C32 – Jeremy Newman – Programme Secretary
C1 – Ben Clegg
C54 – Alan Hicks
C9 – Colin Willett
C6 – Tom Sargent
C20 – Mike Rees
C20 – Jim Bray
C56 - Nick Moulton, James Donnelly, Mark Baker
C75 – Mark Wilby
C30 – David Charlton
David Chivers – Measurer
Rob Maloney

Apologies:

Iain and Oonagh Werngren, Craig & Jayne Bond, Nick Readings, Phil Holding, Chris Matthews, Graham Chasney, James Anderson, Sue & Adrian Bouckley, Mike Hare, Graham & Claire Bridle, Malcolm & Jenny Goodwin, Celia Charlton, Robert White, Daniel Willett

A minute's silence was held in memory of long-standing BOD sailor Keith Club and sailor and boat builder John Mullins who have both died since our last meeting and who both contributed greatly to the success of the class over many years.

Chairman's Report – Mark White noted that it has been a difficult two years for the class because of the Covid restrictions, which frequently restricted crews sailing together unless they were from the same household/bubble. Despite this it was good to see the fleet making double figures for Pyefleet Week 2021, which was won by Rupert White, Richard Herbert and Mary Henderson.

He thanked Mark Wilby who has served as our social secretary but now stands down. Fiona has confirmed that for the time being she will take on the social secretary role as well as continuing with her Class Secretary role.

He also announced that he is standing down as Chairman, but in the absence of another volunteer Chairman he will continue to act as Chair until a replacement can be found. He

asked all present to consider taking on the role and to speak to other members of the class to help find a new Chair.

He welcomed Ben Clegg, who has now taken ownership of C1 Jean, to the fleet and reiterated the welcome to the new “Walton Boys” team of Nick Moulton, James Donnelly and Mark Baker in C56 Never Say Never.

Mark encouraged everyone to sail as often as they could this season and to support the clubs after sailing now things are opening up after Covid.

Treasurer’s Report

Phil outlined the current financial position, which is positive, but noted that the class does currently own 4 boats. These do not currently cost us a considerable amount, but could become a significant liability if we need to pay storage charges going forward. He noted that CYC has generously allowed us to keep the boats in their yard FOC since they had to be removed Boat Park & Ride, but that going forward it is likely that they will need to charge.

It was unanimously agreed that the membership fees for 2022 will remain as £20 for owners and £10 for affiliate fees.

It was agreed that since we do not plan to hold a formal fleet fitting out supper this year and Fiona will contact the Lexden Crown to recover the £625 deposit they are currently holding, which had been paid for the April 2020 Fitting Out Dinner which had to be cancelled due to the first lockdown.

Acceptance of the 2021 Accounts was proposed Jeremy Newman, seconded Fiona Brown and unanimously approved. Mark White thanked Phil for his work in overseeing the class finances.

Election of Officers:

Chairman – no nominations – Mark White will continue as Acting

Vice Chairman & Treasurer – Phil Rust

Secretary & Social Secretary – Fiona Brown

Sailing Programme – Jeremy News

Technical Committee

Phil Rust – Chair

Malcolm Goodwin

Alan Hicks

John Saker

Mark White

Robe White – White Formula – Co-opted

David Chivers – Technical Advisor – Co-opted

Simon Hipkin – Boat Builder – Co-opted

Proposer – Tom Sergeant, Secunder Nick Moulton

The above class officers were all unanimously elected.

Rule Changes:

No proposals for changes were submitted.

The Programme:

Jeremy Newman ran through the programme which we have tried to condense a little to encourage as many people as possible to get out on the water for the season after the two difficult Covid years.

It was also noted that there will be a Jubilee Parade of Sail in Harwich and BODs are invited to participate. It was recognised that large numbers of BODs would be unable to attend and so in addition the possibility of the BODs using Rowhedge Regatta (which takes place 2 weeks later) as a Jubilee Commemoration Event is being investigated with help from Colin Willett and CYC Sailing Sec Chris Paveley.

Acceptance of the 2022 Programme was proposed by Fiona Brown, seconded by Mark Wilby and unanimously approved.

Fiona announced that the 2022 BOD Summer Garden Party will take place on Saturday 25 June and will be hosted by Fi and Alan Hicks in Alan's Garden at 77 Hurst Green. All BOD owners, sailors and their families are invited and further details will be circulated in due course.

Any Other Business

Boat Parking.

Colin Willett summarised the BOD option at CYC with an available tractor.

Fiona mentioned that the Harbour will have some small boat storage available next to Kovalam

Pyefleet Week Moorings - Dave Charlton asked who was interested in temporary moorings for Pyefleet Week. From those present at least 5 people are interested in this option.

Class Owned Boats For Sale

We do urgently need owners for the class owned boats.

March Hare is available for restoration for a minimal fee