

## RS800 2016 AGM Minutes

Thurs 25 Aug 16

Hayling Island Sailing Club

Chair: Chris Feibusch

Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	<u>Apologies:</u> Peter Barton	
2	<u>Present:</u> Ian Brooks, Will Broom, Simon Clark, Charles Condell, Will Crocker, Chris Feibusch, Laurie Fitzjohn-Sykes, James Fuller, Michiel Geerling, Daniel Goodman, Tasha Gladman, Charles Halliwell, Fiona Hampshire, Nick Hollis, James Hughes, Allyson Jeffries, Andy Jeffries, Paul Jenkins, Peter Jenkins, Joe Joyner, Emma McEwen, Luke McEwen, John Mather, Cameron Moss, Martin Orton, Gilles Peeters, Roger Phillips, Matt Ponsford, Debbie Robertshaw, Tim Saxton, Sophie Singleton, Toby Wincer, Olivia Winther	
3	<u>Welcome:</u> The Chair Chris Feibusch warmly welcomed everyone.	
4	<u>Committee:</u> a. Chair: Chris Feibusch is happy to continue as Chair. All were in support. b. Results Compiler: Graham Heath has stepped down from this position. He is thanked for his long service in this job. Emma McEwen has offered to take on the role. Proposed by Daniel Goodman. Seconded by Tim Saxton. Carried	
5	<u>Matters arising from 2015 minutes:</u> a. Demo boat: Chris Feibusch (CF) explained how this has been very successful. It is being used for the Nationals by 29er team Nick Robins and Tom Darling. The 29er fleet leavers are a key target for bringing into the RS800 fleet. CF thanked RS Sailing for the demo boat. The idea of gifting the demo boat for use at an event for a trial weekend winner as the International 14 fleet do was raised. CF was thanked for working so hard on the demo boat. Thanks were given to Phil Walker for encouraging the 29er sailors to try an RS800. It was suggested that the demo boat was taken for try a boat sessions at 29er events. It was also suggested that the 420 fleet were targeted. b. Plank: CF thanked Emma and Luke McEwen (LM) for their plank monitoring and organising the virtual plank programme. It was noted that the virtual plank programme has a problem with the very light weights because it shows rack zero not rack 10. LM will investigate. c. Training co-ordinator: Phil Walker (PW) was identified as for the role. Daniel Goodman proposed. LM seconded. Carried. It was suggested that the top five boats and a RIB offer training. d. Aluminium mast track: Andy Jeffries (AJ) stated that the aluminium mast track was fine. AJ will verify that this is now the standard specification mast track for new boats from RS Sailing.	CF and CS  PW  LM PW  AJ
6	<u>Proposed Rule Changes:</u> LM explained how current RS800 rules require sailors to be legal in terms of weight equalisation but some are not. LM proposes updating RS800 rule wording to include the RS700 wording stating that if the plank and scales are provided then sailors must weigh in. This would give consistency across both fleets and greater clarity. There needs to be the ability to be weighed if combined weight is less than 120kg. Also the figures need to be rounded up to the nearest whole not even number. It was noted that RS need to buy some lead weights so sailors can buy them and become rule compliant. AJ proposed a rule change. Tim Saxton seconded. Carried. LM will work on the wording. He will work with the committee. Clare Sargent (CS) will then follow the procedure for a rule change.	CS and RS Sailing LM CS
7	<u>Membership:</u>	

	<p>a. CF will put out a request on facebook for sailors to register their boats on the website.</p> <p>b. Gilles Peeters explained that 5 to 12 boats are active in France, joining in the Briekskiff movement. There is no RS800 class association in France. The French RS800s are very happy to be invited and welcomed to events. Gilles will work on developing Benelux and Dutch attendance at events.</p>	<p>CF</p> <p>Gilles Peeters</p>
8	<p><u>Fleet communication:</u></p> <p>a. CF encouraged the use of the RS800 sailing facebook group. It was requested that the group picture be updated.</p> <p>b. It was asked to investigate usage of What's app at events.</p> <p>c. It was agreed to have a competition at 2017 Nats for the coolest video.</p>	<p>CF</p> <p>Sec</p> <p>Sec CF</p>
9	<p><u>Review of 2016 season:</u></p> <p>a. Lymington SC Southern Championship: The fleet were unhappy with the limit.</p> <p>b. The fleet want to return to Weymouth.</p>	<p>Sec</p>
10	<p><u>Preview of 2017 calendar:</u></p> <p>a. Dinghy Show 4-5 Mar</p> <p>b. Spring Champ: Rutland SC 24-25 Mar</p> <p>c. Stokes Bay SC: 8-9 Apr</p> <p>d. French Open Skiff 15-17 Apr</p> <p>e. Medemblik, Netherlands, Euro Champ 12-14 May</p> <p>f. Summer Champ Hayling Island SC 17-18 Jun</p> <p>g. Eastbourne SSC 1-2 Jul</p> <p>h. National Champ Stokes Bay SC 21-24 Sept</p> <p>i. Inland Champ Grafham WSC 7-8 Oct</p> <p>j. End of Season Champ Queen Mary SC 11-12 Nov</p> <p>k. Itchenor SC coaching weekend date tbc</p> <p>l. Weymouth Regatta will be added to the calendar.</p> <p>m. Lyme Regis Regatta to be added to the calendar.</p> <p>n. Itchenor Regatta perhaps to be added as an information event.</p> <p>o. European events to be added to the calendar.</p>	<p>Sec</p>
11	<p><u>International development/events:</u></p> <p>Michiel Geerling (MG) is keen to establish RS800 demo boats in Sweden, France and the Netherlands. He is keen to improve European participation. He will be in close contact with International RS Class Assoc Heather Chipperfield and RS Sailing about organising event logistics.</p>	<p>Michiel Geerling</p>
11	<p><u>AOB:</u></p> <p>a. European Championship trophies: The European keeper trophies had not been available for the prize giving at Garda. They were given out.</p> <p>b. It is requested that more events are photographed.</p> <p>c. CF asked sailors to upload GoPro and their own photos to the facebook page.</p> <p>d. James Hughes asked for rule change to be made to allow a live speedo on board during racing. He recommended it as a tool to improve boat speed. The floor was uncertain about the change to sailing by instrument rather than feel and were concerned about an equipment arms race. It was agreed that sailors could trial the equipment in training and give feedback to the fleet on its use.</p>	<p>Sec</p>
12	<p><u>Date of next meeting:</u> At 2017 Nationals 21-24 Sept at Stokes Bay SC.</p>	

Clare Sargent

RS800 Class Association Secretary