

RS800 2019 AGM Minutes

Fri 6 Sept 19

Eastbourne Sovereign Sailing Club

Chairs: Luke and Emma McEwen handing over to Dan Goodman

Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	<u>Apologies:</u> Nil	
2	<u>Present:</u> Alex Benfield, Debbie Clark, Steve Cockerill, Alice Crick, Tim Dickinson, Chris Feibusch, Louise Gale, Joe Gallivan, Michiel Geerling, Daniel Goodman, Rob Gullan, Daniel Henderson, Allyson Jeffries, Andy Jeffries, Paul Jenkins, Mel Kwan, Calum Healey, Adrian Howe, Ciaran Hurney, Fred Lord, Emma McEwen, Luke McEwen, Tom Morris, Cameron Moss, Darrol Moss, Martin Orton, Ralph Singleton, Sophie Singleton, George Smith, Fenella Williams, Steve Wilson	
3	<u>Welcome:</u> Luke McEwen (LM) warmly welcomed everyone.	
4	<u>Committee:</u> a. Chair: Luke and Emma stood down. Dan Goodman agreed to stand. Steve Cockerill proposed. Ciaran Hurney seconded. Unanimous vote in favour. Carried. Luke and Emma will hand over gradually to Dan who is himself handing over his own sailing club sailing secretary role. So Luke continued to chair the meeting. b. Marketing rep: Tom Morris agreed to stand. Michiel Geerling proposed. Dan Goodman seconded. Unanimous vote in favour. Carried. Tom to be known as "Marketing World King". c. Training rep: Steve Wilson stood down. Ciaran Hurney agreed to stand. Adrian Howe proposed. Dan Goodman seconded. Unanimous vote in favour. Carried. d. Technical rep: Andy Jeffries happy to continue in this role. Unanimous vote in favour. Carried. e. Results: Emma McEwen happy to continue in this role. Unanimous vote in favour. Carried.	
5	<u>Matters arising from 2018 minutes:</u> None outstanding.	
6	<u>Membership:</u> Everyone is to encourage their fellow sailors to join up. Club membership to be pushed. <u>Afternote:</u> Membership benefits and details are on the website here: https://www.rs800.org/documents/Why-Benefits-Jan2019.pdf	All
7	<u>Fleet communication:</u> a. A text message service was requested. b. What's App group for nationals to be set up by email link. Tom Morris to show CS how for 2020 nationals. The barcode can be printed and put on noticeboard so sailors scan at event to join group. b. Event website: request was made for information to be split into smaller sections and race documents to be more clearly flagged. CS took note for 2020 site. Request for facebook and Instagram logos to be placed nearer top of view on mobile site view. Add to main menu not just contacts. CS to investigate with Webmaster. CS explained how current fleet comms were the website, fast news, forum, facebook group and International facebook page. All encouraged to get busy on RS800 social media.	CS Tom Morris CS CS CS CS
8	<u>Technical update:</u> a. Old style rudder stocks continue to be stocked at RS. The new boat with the new rudder has two gudgeons on the boat and two pintles on the stock. You can fit the new	

	<p>rudder to an old boat by filling the old holes and drilling new ones to fit the new width. The class philosophy is that of one design. It was felt that there was risk of the builder making changes without consideration for the older boats. This is demonstrated by RS building the new rudder further back which was not as proposed to the class. This was structural change without consultation. RS must provide more technical detail describing proposed build alterations. This change was only noted by sailors on a new boat at the Dinghy Show 2018. The question was raised as to whether an old boat could be modified to bring the rudder further back as per the new boats by adding a wooden block for instance. Luke McEwen will write to RS to clarify the change in rudder stock position, the relative change in the pivot axis and rudder swing and then take this idea forward for the class.</p> <p>b. Boat weight measurement: Steve Wilson explained that there was a 2kg weight tolerance on the RS800 build. Concern was expressed about the time it takes to measure boats at events and how it can distract from what is meant to be fun and easy sailing for amateurs. The floor voted on interest in pursuing weight measurement of boats. The majority were not in favour of weight measurement.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>LM, CS</p>
9	<p><u>Review of 2019 season:</u></p> <p>a. East Coast Piers Race great event but not to go on National Tour again. To go on 2020 calendar simply for information. Lyme or Weymouth Regatta to replace it.</p> <p>b. End of Seasons: RS400s not keen on pursuit race. Floor asked and RS800s in favour of pursuit race. Request for course to allow good kite flying.</p> <p>c. It was a shame that Lyme Regatta was so close to Garda. Better spacing desirable.</p>	
9	<p><u>Preview of 2020 calendar:</u></p> <p>a. Lac du Der at Easter is recommended but ferries need to be booked this year to be economic.</p> <p>b. Royal Torbay YC for Summer Regatta will have overall entry limit so fleet encouraged to enter early.</p> <p>c. Draft calendar: Dinghy Show: 29 Feb – 1 Mar Spring Regatta, Rutland SC: 21-22 Mar French Open Skiff, Lac du Der: 10-13 Apr Stokes Bay SC: 18-19 Apr European Championship, YC Carnac, France: 23-26 May RS Summer Regatta, Royal Torbay YC: 20-21 June July event tbc Lyme Regis SC Regatta: tbc early Aug National Championship, Exe SC: 10-13 Sept Inland Championship Grafham WSC: 3-4 Oct End of Season Regatta Rutland SC: 7-8 Nov</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>CS</p>
10	<p><u>Nationals venues: the 5 year plan:</u></p> <p>a. 2020 10-13 Sept Exe SC</p> <p>b. 2021 9-12 Sept Castle Cove SC</p> <p>c. 2022 August RS Games at WPNSA: CS explained how the fleet was invited to have their nationals as part of the RS Games at WPNSA in early August. The fleet agreed to a four day, 10 race standard national championship format.</p> <p>d. 2023 await response from Restrouquet SC. CS was instructed to protect the fleet from being over charged for a steeply sloping camping field without facilities next to the club. Noted!</p> <p>e. 2024 await response from Hayling Island SC. RS800 25th anniversary.</p>	<p>CS</p> <p>CS</p>
11	<p><u>International development/events: European and Eurocup – the 5 year plan:</u></p> <p>a. 23-26 May 2020 YC Carnac, France:</p> <p>b. 2021 Garda</p> <p>c. 2022 attractive location requested</p>	

	<p>d. 2023 Garda.</p> <p>e. 2024 attractive location requested</p> <p>There were great ideas from the floor about new locations which offer great sailing and super shore side fun. These are to be explored.</p>	CS
12	<p><u>AOB:</u></p> <p>a. CS explained that the class was invited to take part in the RYA Class Association Satisfaction Survey. The fleet voted to take part in the survey. CS to action.</p> <p>b. A formal vote of thanks was raised for Luke and Emma's hard works as Chairs.</p>	CS
13	<p><u>Date of next meeting:</u> At 20209 Nationals 10-13 Sept 19 at Exe SC.</p>	Sec

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RS800 Class Association Secretary