



Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 30th July 2019 – Llandudno Sailing Club, Irving Road, Llandudno, Conwy LL30 1BB.

Meeting Commenced at 17:05.

1. **Apologies for Absence:**

Peter Rose, Alison Stephens, Nadina Lincoln, Ade Jones, Viv Weston, Barry & Linda Wolfenden.

2. **Minutes from the meeting on Monday 6th August 2018 – Llandudno Sailing Club:**

Minutes from last year's meeting had been published on the Scorpion Class website (<http://www.sailscorpion.co.uk>) and were sent to members via email prior to the meeting. Paper copies were also made available at the meeting. There were no amendments and were therefore approved unanimously. These were signed off as being a true account by Jo Mahy and Jerry Hannabuss.

3. **Matters Arising from the minutes:**

One matter arising was item 7 Proposed changes to Class rules. Due to a delay in dealings with the RYA and the electronic vote had not taken place but an agenda item in the current AGM had been set. There were no further matters arising.

4. **Chairman's Report:**

See attached report by Chris Yates

5. **Treasurer's Report:**

Copies of the accounts for the year ending 31st December 2018 were circulated and presented to the meeting by Treasurer Malcolm James.

A thank you was given to John Wood of South Cerney SC for auditing the 2018 accounts.

The meeting voted in favour of the Treasurer's Report: proposed by Jo Mahy, seconded by Stephen Graham.

6. **Election of Officers:**

Chairman: Chris Yates

Treasurer: Malcolm James

Class Secretary: Steve Walker

No other nominations were received so all three were voted as Class officers

7. Committee Positions

A thank you to those committee members standing down
Chris Turner, Carl Jones, Amy Pepperdine

Members standing for re-election were as follows:

Membership Secretary – Colin Bradley

Events – Peter Gray

Website and Sponsorship – Simon Forbes

Advertising and PR – Hannah Edge

Prize Organiser – Nicola Willars

Championship Co-ordinator – Dave Elston

PR and sponsorship - Vacant

All the above Committee positions were voted in by a majority vote of the attending membership and are therefore declared elected.

New Committee Nominations: Technical Advisor

Jerry Hannabuss was nominated as President of the Scorpion Class and will also take on the technical role liaising with the RYA on proposed revisions to the Class Rules and other issues. No other nominations were made so Jerry was voted onto the committee.

8. Proposed changes to Class Constitution:

There were no proposed changes to the Class Constitution.

9. Membership Subscriptions

Introduced from 1st April 2020

Ordinary Membership £35

Associate membership £25

Youth £15

Family £45

The proposals where voted in by a majority vote of the meeting attendees.

10. Proposed changes to Class Rules:

Chris Turner reported to the meeting that since the last AGM, he and Steve Walker had liaised with the RYA and the Technical Committee but due to delays the full proposal was not yet available. He presented rule proposals and a discussion took place on the meaning specific rules. There was no formal proposal for the AGM but the meeting agreed in principle to the approach.

Jerry Hannabuss as the new Technical Advisor will progress the proposals with the RYA and the membership.

11. Venues for future Nationals:

Chris Yates thanked Llandudno SC for hosting this year's event at relatively short notice (following the Beer SC decision of July 2018).

Next year's Nationals are at Penzance Sailing Club starting 8th August. This would be a co-hosted event with the Hornet class association.

The committee were focussed on delivering other joint championships with the Hornets and other classes such as the Enterprises in future years. Even though we had bookings for on going years they may be subject to change.

Future venues: 2020 Penzance (joint with Hornets), 2021 Porthpean (joint with Hornets), 2022 Looe (joint with Hornets and Enterprises), 2023 Paignton, 2024 Castle Cove.

12. Sailing and training programme for 2020:

Pete Gray confirmed that events for 2020 would be focussed on five or six larger meetings, either at existing Regattas or shared with other classes. Moving forward, wherever possible we will host events in the same region on the same weekends over the next 3 years to allow people to plan ahead. There would be an Association focus to encourage people to attend with a target of "Catch 22". Plus, we will promote online pre-entry through WebCollect where possible. Events will be published in good time.

13. Any other permitted Business:

There was no other permitted business.

The AGM closed at 17:45.

Thank you!

Minutes take by:

Steve Walker

Class Secretary National Scorpion Association

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All above mentions reports can be obtained by contacting the Class Secretary direct on secretary@sailscorpion.co.uk or on Scorpion Association web site