

# BRIGHTLINGSEA ONE DESIGN ASSOCIATION - MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

## 9<sup>th</sup> December 2012 10.00am

### Members

C1	Jean	Malcolm & Jenny Goodwin	C26	Krystina	Richard White
C6	Jumbo Two	Tom Sergeant	C27	Rebel	Ray Davies
C8	Egret	Danny Fox & Tim Hearn	C31	Blue Peter	Adrian Gibbons
C9	Bidi	Colin & Dan Willett	C32	Avocet	Jeremy Newman
C16	Dulcet	Phil Rust	C42	Sabrina	Bob Richardson & A Burt
C18	Gelasma	Mike Hempstead	C50	No Name	John Mullins
C20	Ruff	Mike Rees, Jim Bray & Trevor Stone	C53	White Spirit	Mark & Robert White
C25	White Magic	Brian Walker	C75	The Mike	Phil Holding & Mark Wilby

### Associates and Friends

John Saker, Richard Stephens, Jeff Payne, Barry Newman, David Chivers, Dan King, Bob Hedger

### Apologies

Keith Clubb, Nick Readings, Alan Hicks, Dave Draper, Gary Constable, Ian Werngren

### 1. Minutes of the previous AGM 4<sup>th</sup> December 2011

The minutes were taken as presented and were proposed as a true record by Adrian Gibbons to the floor for a vote - passed unanimously.

### 2. Matters Arising From Those Minutes

None.

### 3. Chairman's Report

The Chairman welcomed new members to the meeting, who included; Colin and Daniel Willett who had purchased C9 Bidi, Richard White who had purchased C26 Krystina and Phil Holding and Mark Wilby who had purchased C75, The Mike. The chairman's report had been circulated before the meeting and was taken as read.

### 4. Treasurer's Report

Richard Stephens confirmed the accounts showed a surplus of £270.13, which was slightly less than 2011 due to increased costs of affiliation fees and printing/postage. The balance held in the Nationwide was £1,381.04. It was put to the floor to discuss whether the association should renew the RYA subscription fee, which was £105. Dave Chivers is to look into the position but it was decided that we would renew for 2013. It was agreed that the February newsletter would set out the benefits of being a registered association with the RYA.

### 5. Election of Officers

Chairman – Adrian Gibbons, Vice Chairman – Vacant, Secretary – Jeremy Newman, Treasurer – Richard Stephens, Measurer – David Chivers (Bob Richardson volunteered/was persuaded to become VC after the meeting closed.)

The meeting unanimously voted in favour of re-election of all officers. Alan Hicks who resigned as Vice Chairman was thanked for his work over previous years.

### General Purposes Committee

Alan Hicks, Malcolm Goodwin, John Saker, Keith Clubb, John Mullins, David Chivers, Brian Walker, Robert White & Mark White were all willing to stand for another year. The committee was elected unanimously.

### 6. Sailing Programme

Jeremy Newman proposed a draft programme for 2013. This year the Round The Islands Race and Three Creeks Crawl Race, both from the BSC line, had been included within the programme. There was also a two multi race series from a committee boat where Barry Newman volunteered to be OOD. It was suggested that on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June there would be an offer of a trial sail in a BOD. Mike Hempstead was to speak with the organisers of the Brightlingsea Boat Show and to organise. On Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July, which were down as spare days, it was decided to offer these to be training/buddy days where more experienced helmsman/crews would sail with less experienced crews. On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August Malcolm Goodwin proposed that it could be the one day in the year when hopefully a maximum number of BOD's would be on the water.

It was generally agreed that we should **ALL** encourage owners/others to turn out for this particular days event, as it would be fantastic to see 18 plus boats on the water. Malcolm Goodwin agreed to be coordinator. Adrian Gibbons proposed a beach cruise after Pyefleet Week on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> August.

## **7. GRP Mould/Potential for New Boats**

Robert White confirmed that it was his proposal to lay up a new hull in the mould before Christmas with Derek Cooper being appointed to prepare new tank moulds. Mark White agreed to supply the materials to the BOD Association free of charge for the first boat. Malcolm Goodwin put forward a proposal that the only way forward was a partnership agreement between the builder and the BOD Association as the builder would be constructing new tank moulds and the Association owned the hull mould. Malcolm Goodwin suggested that the Association could waiver one royalty, together with a goodwill grant to the builder of whatever the Association can reasonably afford at the time (say £250), as a contribution towards the considerable cost of the new side tank plugs. The position was discussed at length and the meeting unanimously agreed the principle and referred it to the General Purposes Committee to negotiate any further details of the agreement between the BOD Association and the builder.

## **8. Class Rules/Pumps/Weighing of Boats**

The previously year Danny Fox had proposed the use of the electric bilge pumps, however this had not been tested during 2012. It was suggested that other classes successfully use electric pumps, however the BOD had a difficult hull shape and a system would need to be worked up before the meeting could decide further on an outcome. It was agreed that electric pumps could be fitted into C6 Jumbo Two and C8 Egret on a trial basis for 2013 only and that the matter would be discussed further at the 2013 AGM. Different types of self bailers and venturi bailers were also discussed and it was decided that the General Purposes Committee should look into these type of bailers and report back to the AGM in 2013. Robert White reported that he has some electronic scales within his yard which were available for weighing BOD's and it was agreed that all boats should be re-weighed before Pyefleet Week 2013. Adrian Gibbons raised the issue on VHF radios as a safety issue, as they are not currently allowed to be carried within BOD's in the current class rules. It was generally agreed in this respect that the General Purposes Committee should look at producing recommendations as to VHF radios/safety to both CYC and BSC and a proposal should be put forward for next years AGM so the class rules can be amended accordingly. Mark White raised the issue of the centre board retainer as a good safety aspect during a capsized. Malcolm Goodwin suggested that this was an excellent idea for the new glass fibre boats and should be made compulsory but that it was not so important for wooden boats which did not float as high when capsized due to the lack of side tanks. It was agreed that the General Purposes Committee would look into the class rules and give consideration to amendment at the 2013 AGM.

## **9. Courses/Start Lines**

Malcolm Goodwin explained various options and handed out diagrams showing the courses that are currently used for BSC and CYC. It was generally agreed that, to avoid stacking on the point clear shore, we should use the Creek Mouth post as a marker on courses 8 and 9. It was also suggested that some courses should be changed to avoid too many jibes, which were dangerous, especially in windy conditions. Malcolm Goodwin expressed his concern that in the past he had previously tried to avoid conflict with boats rounding marks in the opposite direction but agreed that if the meeting felt this was the preferred route these could be changed. The course proposals were put to the meeting and it was agreed unanimously that the changes should be made for the 2013 season.

## **10. Crew List**

It was generally agreed that a crew list was important to get people involved in the BOD class and Mike Hempstead agreed to try and find new people to trial sail a BOD. Richard Stephens suggested that it would be a good idea to have a section in the next newsletter providing an open invitation to welcome new crews to the BOD class and also to ask if there were any members who would volunteer for OOD/rescue duties.

## **11. Website**

Adrian Gibbons reported the current website was out of date and that he had agreed to liaise with Lance Edwards to try and get these updated in readiness for the 2013 season.

## **12. Any Other Business**

Due to the problems during the Jubilee race and it was now a requirement for a rescue boat to be provided during the CYC races and CYC had asked for the BOD Association to make a contribution of £50 towards fuel. It was generally agreed that the CYC had more to benefit from attracting the BOD class to race under its burgee and that rescue facilities should really be provided within the current CYC membership fee. Tom Sargeant was to report back the AGM's feelings to the CYC sailing committee.

The meeting closed at 12 noon and there followed an excellent buffet lunch for the members and friends at 5 Oyster Tank Road prepared by Marilyn Hempstead.