

# **Minutes of RS100 AGM, held on 18<sup>th</sup> Sept 2015 at Royal Torbay yacht Club**

## **Present:**

Mark Harrison, Giles Peckham, Huw Powell, Al Dickson, Clive Eplett, David Smart, Simon Collinson, John Burns, Gavin Benbow, Greg Booth, Jeremy Gilbert, Steven Lee, Darren Martin, Mostyn Evans, Tom Powell.

No apologies for absence were received.

Mark welcomed everyone

## **1. Review of year-**

Summary of thoughts from those present

- Sprints were good (though Clive asked for less wind please!)
- Inlands were cold, but a good event
- Frensham Frenzy was enjoyed by those who went , but the turnout was poor
- Parkstone - good
- POSH- the fleet like this one
- Windemere- good, suggest 2 days for future event. The expected traffic issues from a big swim didn't materialise.

## **2. Next year, 2016**

Planned events for next year:

Nationals, Exe 3-4 September

Sprints – Rutland 23 April

Euro cup Travemunde in July with Aeros and 400,200s.

Posh 7/8 May

Other suggestions :

Netley, with Vareos- probably april or July

Windemere- early June or summer hols. Gavin volunteered a pub crawl through his town

Llangedfedd - clubhouse has no bar, but local pub will likely provide camping as it has done this year. Also some hotels around. Early July?

Inlands at Queen Mary- not keen- no-one wanted this one

End of seasons? October, possibly Gurnard- Giles offered a party! Accommodation provided by gurnard sailors. Transport may be an issue, to ask if RS would lend triple trailers to reduce ferry costs.

## **Coaching-**

Frensham only had 2 takers (one was Mark), Nationals had 6.

Agreed that people are put off as they think the 100 is easy to sail and it isn't, so maybe some better tutorial videos using current RS 100 sailors, or more coaching events might help.

Ideas:

- A set/up tuning video
- Some 2 day training events
- 1 day events + previous day coaching
- Videos have a bigger reach and only need doing once, could be with a blog
- Darren –training sessions at the end of the yer to allow for developing interest

Agreed to collaborate to produce some video clips

## **How to improve participation?**

Suggestion for a 2 day event, with day 2 results to have their own results as well as being part of the whole. -

Mark to take to management meeting and post on forum.

## **Election of committee**

Current committee of Mark Harrison (chair)

Clive Eplett

Huw Powell

David Smart

Greg Booth

All re-elected

Al Dickson also agreed to join

## **AOB**

### **Dinghy Show**

The 300 fleet did well last year and created a buzz. Impressed with their 'team kit' Fleet agreed to try this approach. Several people said they would help at the show. Also thought that some video of the racing would demonstrate how closely fought the races are.

Suggestion that the fleet takes ownership of the RS100 area of the RS stand, or possibly get a separate stand. M to discuss at management meeting

Merchandising- discussed t-shirts. Jeremy has an account with a wholesaler, but they need printing and someone to sell them.- M will discuss with secretariat and on forum.

Mostyn asked what happened with the worlds- explained that shipping costs are only partly the rental of the container, but also customs/insurance and onward transport in Australia. Lack of interest led to halving of offered sponsorship and costs increased, so the Australians pulled the event the person organising it as not prepared to underwrite, and nor were RS