

NEWHAVEN AND SEAFORD SAILING CLUB

Minutes of Sailing Committee Meeting held on
Tuesday 12th March 2019 at Seaford Clubhouse.

Members Present

Terry Jones (Sailing Secretary), Penelope Duncan (Director), Rupert Smith (Recorder), Jason Tooth, Geoff Sheridan, Manuel Panzerra, Phil Clare, Mike Woollard, Neil Arnott,

Apologies for absence

Mike Godwin. Ian Johnson, Richard Beale, Laurence Venus

1. Proposal to extend winter sailing at Piddinghoe.

Pros -

- there have been around 20 regular sailors racing at Piddinghoe this winter.
- There is support amongst these sailors to continue into March.

Cons -

- This could impinge on the start of the spring sailing on the sea.
- The work party at Piddinghoe needs to have the winter berths clear
- some people like to have a break between the two seasons to repair boats
- there will be a clash for some people wanting to attend the Dinghy Show at the beginning of March.
- Sea racing members need to move their boats back to Seaford
- We are adding to the duties needed to be covered.

Recommendations

- That this should be trialled next year as a mini series
- Duties will be carried out by those who attend the series.
- The Piddinghoe work party is on a Saturday and could be later in the month.

2. Preparations for the upcoming Summer Sea Sailing Season

- The Seaford Sea Safety Skipper course is under way and is being well supported. Members agreed that this has been long overdue and welcomed the initiative.
- Duties are being tightened up on this year and there will be an automatic allocation for those who have not signed up for their own duties.
- Race Officers are to be encouraged to have a committee boat start wherever practical.
- TJ will purchase a Dictaphone to record times and numbers as a back up to the manual recording of finishes.
- RS and others were impressed by a race recording machine on show at the dinghy show - cost £700, which could be a good way forward with our recording of race results- further information to be obtained.

3. Changes to Sailing Instructions

- There have been some minor changes to the Sailing Instructions to clarify the separation of multi-hulls and dinghies and to tidy up one or two other small issues.
- The Sailing Instructions are posted on the club website and hard laminated copies should be displayed near the signing on board and in the race box.

4. Balance of Duties

- TJ explained how he views duties being allocated this year and how those who race regularly should shoulder more duties.
- The winter series duties should be seen as extras performed by those who attend.
- There is some work to be done to set it up and hopefully we will get to a position where Dutyman can allocate the duties to those who have not volunteered for their own duties.

5. Winter Series 2019/20

- The current charge for winter members is to be raised from £25 to £30 per series and it is expected that these people will perform at least one duty per series

6. Sailing Week 2019

- Noel West has agreed to take charge of Sailing Week 2019 - anyone with ideas please let Noel know.

7. Boat Hire at Seaford

- The club now has two donated Catamarans - a Dart 18 and a Prindle 16 these will be available to hire by club members at £10 per session. Question raised regarding insurance - if hired - should be covered on club insurance - could be termed a recommended donation.
- Will the Visions and other boats available to hire at Seaford?

8. Any Other Business

- Can we remind everybody to tie their boats down - with the strong winds recently there are several boats over at Piddinghoe and there have been boats at Seaford moved.
- We need to ensure that all boats are insured - a tick box has been added to the webcollect berth form where berth holders confirm that they have insurance.