

## ROYAL NAVAL SAILING ASSOCIATION PORTSMOUTH BRANCH



## MINUTES FOR RNSA(P) BRANCH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE FABROSA ROOM, HORNET SERVICES SAILING CLUB AT 1800 ON 30 NOV 2016

Item	Lead
1. Welcome and opening remarks The Chairman welcomed those in attendance commenting that the modest attendance could be taken as a sign that the wider branch membership don't have any concerns over how the branch is functioning	Chairman
<ul> <li>2. Apologies and minutes of previous meeting</li> <li>Secretary: Lt O Mulcahy RN – ICSC(M)</li> <li>Incoming Dinghy: Lt E Barry RN – abroad</li> <li>[Both briefed]</li> </ul>	Communications
3. Season summary and plans for next season Cruising – Hayden has issued his activity report to his sub- committee members by email. This includes plans for the 2017 season and he called for volunteers to lead particular events Yachting - 2016 was another good season for the dinghy sailors although as always we would like to see greater numbers at some of the events. This year we once again ran a mix of racing with the Wednesday afternoon cup races being the main events. These were complimented by a relaxed Wednesday evening series which ran in May and June, especially designed to get new sailors out in a friendly environment to give racing a go. Sadly, due to bad weather, we had to reschedule the Fleet Commander's Cup which the Fleet Commander himself had scheduled to compete in but couldn't make the new date. Members from the Portsmouth branch also competed in a number of wider events with two Eastern Region teams at the Holt Cup held at HMS Raleigh with one of these coming in 2nd overall. Other members we also lucky enough to take part in the RNSA Training Camp at the RS Europeans in Germany in July. The RNSC has had a very busy year with training and taster sessions running almost completely full. After many years in charge we said farewell to Ken Bichard who has now retired, although he has promised to pop back now and again to help out. Lee Bichard has now taken over as Center Manager and they are currently recruiting to fill the Chief Instructors post.	Sub Committee Chairmen

I am due to re-join the seagoing fleet very shortly so I have handed over the reins of the Portsmouth Dinghy Rep to Lt Emma Barry. She will be working closely with the centre to run a similar series of events next year. Many thanks to all those who have supported me in this role and I look forward to seeing you all on the water sometime in the future. The Chairman then led a brief discussion to re-validate the decision at last year's AGM to not organise offshore racing as a branch. The feeling from those attending was that there is sufficient demand from other local clubs although it was suggested that some of the extensive RNSA silverware could be presented as prizes for external club events (if RNSA members participated). Additionally, due to the cost of coding boats for offshore races, it was requested that RNSA investigate whether Central could purchase and hold "kits" (liferafts etc) that could be used by occasional racers (Action Offshore subcommittee).	
4. Financial Statement	Treasurer
Tricia had unfortunately forgotten her notes and so there wasn't a brief from the treasurer. However, the Chairman did comment that his intention was to continue to run down the branch reserve such that any funds allocated by RNSA Central would be available for the current membership.	
5. The Case For Change	Cdre Richard Farrington
Branch member are requested to read and consider the documents that Cdre Farrington will post in the members areas of the RNSA website. He presented the 3 drivers for change:	
1. The membership cliff edge	
<ul><li>2. Project Adventure</li><li>3. Mod sports associations must be charities (which potentially comes with other benefits)</li></ul>	
The primary focus of the association must be serving members and therefore it is proposed that eventually the majority of trustees will be serving members and that the rules of the charity will state this. Members will be asked to vote in 2017 (currently expected to be in February)	
Cdre Farrington the fielded questions on his brief, the main discussion being on the cost of assurance under Project Adventure	
6. Update of supersession of posts and elections	Communications
<ul> <li>Secretary: Lt O Mulcahy appointed in lieu of Lt T Morgan RN</li> <li>Dinghy: Lt E Barrey RN appointed in lieu of Lt S Murray</li> </ul>	
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Accepted Also – Lew heading down to the West country and will be replaced at Offshore rep by Lt Joe Johnson (SUL-CLMO)	
7. Any other business	Chairman
None	
8. Date of next meeting	Chairman
29 Nov 2017	
Secretary to book this date with Hornet and create an event on the website, timings as detailed:	
1800-1900 AGM 1915-2000 Prize giving Food o/c	
Action 1611.01 – OM to make booking for RNSA AGM with Hornet SC	

Action No.	Action	Owner	Due Date	Status
1611.01	OM to make booking for RNSA AGM with Hornet SC	OM		Complete

## SUMMARY OF RNSA(P) PRIZES AWARDED

## Yacht Prizes

Spring Series NHC 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the RNC & RAYC Challenge Cup and crew prizes	Tinker T Wizard Spirit of Kudu	Kit Buck Geoff Goodwin Mark Watkins
IRC 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> Winning the RNC & RAYC Commodore's Cup	Jolly Jack Tar Tinker T Spirit of Kudu	RNSA Kit Buck Mark Watkins
Saturday Series 1st	Electron V	HMS Collingwood
Summer Series NHC 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Warspite Cup and crew prizes	Danegeld Electron V Spirit of Kudu	Robert Veale HMS Collingwood Mark Watkins
<i>IRC</i> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Monarch Bowl and crew prizes	Electron V Jolly Jack Tar Tinker T	HMS Collingwood RNSA Kit Buck
The Yarmouth Weekend (Aggregate of races to Yarmouth and NHC 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Golden Bough Trophy and crew prizes	<b>d back)</b> Hobo Wizard Swordfish	Alan Long Geoff Goodwin Mike Shrives
<i>IRC</i> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Yarmouth Trophy and crew prizes	Option Delphine Wild Blue	Alan Jurd James Getgood Peter Wykeham- Martin
The best RNSA(P) yacht in The Round the Island Race, and winning the Howard Davis Trophy	Electron V	HMS Collingwood
Autumn Series NHC 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Arnold Cup and crew prizes	Danegeld Spirit of Kudu Electron V	Robert Veale Mark Watkins HMS Collingwood
<i>IRC</i> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1 <sup>st</sup> winning the Devonshire Cup and crew prizes	Electron V Jolly Jack Tar Tinker T	HMS Collingwood RNSA Kit Buck
The leading RNSA yacht in The John Lewis Partnership Rega Winning the Dryad Cup	<b>tta</b> Xcitable	Pete Hodgkinson & Sarah Bailey

The best overall performance during the season in the IRC class Wednesday series winning the Tattersall Trophy. Awarded in memory of Lt Cdr Mike Tattersall who did so much both for the RNSA and the Portsmouth branch
Tinker T Kit Buck

Seasons best Overall Performance counting all RNSA(P) events throughout the year<br/>NHC<br/>Winner of the Guernsey CupWizardGeoff GoodwinIRC<br/>Winner of the Chatham Memorial TrophyTinker TKit Buck