

North Wales Sailing Regional Committee

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday November 20th 2008
at Royal Welsh Yacht Club

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Minutes of last Meeting (18th September 2008)
3. Matters Arising
4. Strategy Committee Meeting
5. Regional Action Plan Review Date
6. Clubs Action Planning Evening
7. Winter Training
8. Community Coaches, On Board Launch - Monday
9. Xmas Regatta 13.12.08 Pwllheli
10. CYRC, On Board Festival – New sailors - Boats
11. Cruising
12. Any Other Business

		ACTION
Present	Mark Stafford - Chairman (Penmaenmawr) Ken Newing (Port Dinorwic) Bill Barry (Royal Welsh)	
In Attendance	Ruth Iliffe (WYA) Sian Henshall (Minutes) Paul Henshall (Shotwick)	
1. Apologies	Mary Gowers (Llandudno) Tim Bowden (Shotwick) David Griffiths (RWBSWC) Tim Jones (Holyhead) Gareth Roberts (Pwllheli)	
2. Minutes of last Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date of next meeting should read 28th January 2009 along with ANWSC AGM. 	
3. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Club Action Planning Workshop (Item 13) was postponed. 	
4. Strategy Committee Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The aim of the meeting was to approve the Strategic Plan for 2009 - 2013 that is to go before SCW for funding • Regional action plan based on Springboard meeting held October last year. The four points are still valid and core subjects are as strategy synopsis. • There is a meeting next Thursday with SCW to discuss the document. • Minutes of Strategy Committee are not on the web for the last 12 months. • Full annual review of the Action plan to take place early next year. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The North region (i.e. clubs) have written the plan rather than the regional officers as in the other areas and is highly commended by everyone. Each region can learn from each other. 	
5. Regional Action Plan Review Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The due dates for the following items have been moved forward to 28.01.09: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Improve multi-way communication – e-mail, post etc what gets best response from clubs. ➤ Improve validity of data from club audits etc.... – develop electronic version for clubs, problems with generic form as clubs use different computer programs. Mary is looking into ways of resolving this issue. ➤ Reminder needed to go to clubs for audit forms and cheques ➤ Mary to speak to Nikki re equipment. 	
6. Clubs Action Planning Evening	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This meeting will be re-scheduled and will be known as Club Development Planning Evening. 	
7. Winter Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ken enquired about a camera for training – Bill offered the loan of RWYC camera, and there is also a video camera for regional use. There are grants available from Community Chest for the purchase of such items. There are three areas for Winter Training: NE, NW and Dyfi. Bala training going well and Port Dinorwic had 40 boats on the water last Sunday in four groups: adults, toppers, oppies and others. Co-ordinator required if clubs are to offer equipment on loan. PD Icicle series 17,24,31 January 2009 1pm start. 	
8. Community Coaches, On Board Launch Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Board launch Monday 24th November 2008 at Plas Menai at 7pm. Mary, Bill and Ken will be attending on behalf of the region. 	
9. Xmas Regatta 13.12.08 Pwllheli	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update needed from Pwllheli Sailing Club, but everything seems ok. 	
10. CYRC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dates for 2009 – Pwllheli 12 Apr (TBC); RWB 30 May; Penmaenmawr 20 Jun; Brenig ? Sept; Gresford 3 or 10 Oct. Overall average for the 2008 CYRC Series was 27 with a maximum of 36 and a total of 77 entries. It was suggested that a cup be awarded for the best club attendance – points awarded for home and away. 	
On Board Festival – New sailors - Boats	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On Board Festival to be held at a club, venue tbc with more experienced sailors helping novices. Inter school or inter club. 	

11. Cruising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good day last Sunday racing on the Straits. Bill would like to develop training and racing of cruisers further. He would like to see more open meetings for cruisers on a small circuit. He suggested that for training an experienced person could go on board another boat and help with training and racing. 	
12. Any Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tim Bowden sent the following report: <i>Please give my apologies I am unable to attend due to another commitment for the sailing club.</i> <i>Since the last meeting I have attended a workshop related to shoreline management plans, I will send a copy of a separate email for anyone who is interested.</i> <i>I made the point at the meeting that as well as protecting the coast / environment we also need to consider how it can be enhanced to provide an improved environment / facilities.</i> <i>I am aware the volunteer development plan is in my court and will look to progress.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Family sailing was discussed, with prizes awarded for best family. If this were to be run in conjunction with CYRC's then safety cover would be an issue. Brenig have expressed an interest in running such an event. It was agreed that racing needs to be a social event to grow club membership. • Ruth has set up a Yahoo Group for WYA. 	
Next Meetings: Regional Comm ANWSC	<p>Wednesday Jan 28th 2009 7.30pm Port Dinorwic Wednesday Jan 28th 2009 7.30pm Port Dinorwic</p>	