



West Wales Regional Committee

**Minutes of meeting held
on 19th May 2008 at Haverfordwest**

Attendees:

T Hall (WYA) via VC, P Rowe (Chair), B Shaw (Tenby), K Thomas (Teifi), P Johnson (SSC),

Apologies:

R Kirk (NYC), M Sykes (Fishguard)

Copies:

WYA Board
West Regional Clubs

Note to recipients:

Individuals are expected to implement any actions as noted. These minutes record understanding of the Meeting and intended actions arising there from. Your agreement that the minutes form a true record of the discussions will be assumed unless adverse comments are received in writing within 3 days of publication of these minutes.

1.	Minutes of the previous meeting	
	The minutes were reviewed and passed as a true and accurate reflection of the previous meeting. There were no action points noted as being carried over.	
2.	Welsh Schools	
	<p>Blake Shaw provided the following update on preparation for the competition:</p> <p>Sponsorship</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - £500 received from Chevron - £400 from sportsmatch, which will be used to fund the running costs of charley fleet as this fleet is specifically targeted at grass roots level and to get more people into sailing. <p>The above monies were deemed to be sufficient to cover the costs of the 'give away' prizes and rib fuel & other associated costs etc. At this stage unless a second sponsor is found it is only the trophies that will need to be funded via the entry fees.</p>	

	<p>Rib & Committee Boat Support</p> <p>Provision of Ribs to date are confirmed as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tenby Sailing Club x 5 - Tenby Sea Cadets x 2 - Saundersfoot x 1 - WYA x 3 - Llandegfedd x 1 <p>PR believed NYC would also provide one and would check with the club and advise Blake accordingly.</p> <p>All three committee boats were also confirmed.</p> <p>Admin etc.</p> <p>The event manual needed to be completed and TH agreed to assist BS to get this completed asap.</p> <p>PR agreed to provide any admin resource required for printing etc.</p> <p>Entry form needs to be posted on the WWW this week.</p> <p>Event Director is to be confirmed, TH offered to provide assistance but due to board meeting commitments on one day of the event he would be unable to fully undertake the role.</p> <p>Results team to be confirmed. (experienced sail wave operators required)</p> <p>Tallies – WYA will provide one tally board, TSC have one and PR would enquire as to whether NYC would consider lending theirs to the event.</p> <p>Marks – TSC have enough marks but not all are of the racing style. PR to enquire as to whether NYC would consider lending theirs out.</p> <p>It was agreed that it would be a good idea to produce an information document that could be posted on the WWW / sent to parents with information about camping, boat drop off, car parking arrangements etc. PR offered to draft an outline of what he thought would be useful and send to BS for approval.</p>	<p>PR</p> <p>TH/BS</p> <p>PR</p> <p>TH</p> <p>BS</p> <p>BS</p> <p>PR</p> <p>PR</p> <p>PR</p>
3.	CYRC Feedback	
	<p>3 out of 5 events had been completed to date with average entry numbers up slightly on last year, it was noted however that less than 50% of participants were actually travelling to more than one event.</p> <p>Feed back from parents and sailors on the running / organisation and consistent prizes etc has been very positive.</p>	

4.	Community Coach	
	<p>TH confirmed RDO's would be responsible for contracting the community coaches, but as the West was still without an RDO he was picking this issue up. To date 2 community coaches had been appointed, Paul Simes & Nick Berridge.</p> <p>Clubs wishing to use the services of the community coach need to download, complete and submit the engagement form on the WYA website to Tim Hall.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>TH</p>
5.	2008 Winter Training	
	<p>After much discussion it was felt that last years winter training was not as good overall as it could have been.</p> <p>Whilst the regional performance squad training worked well (mainly due to the considerable effort of Paul Johnson), the open training needed to be improved for the forthcoming year.</p> <p>The committee wished to have the training and dates agreed by no later than the end of August to enable clubs etc to inform their sailors.</p> <p>The regional performance training falls under the direction of the WHPM and PR / PJ would contact Iwan Basten to discuss how he wanted to see this happen in the region this year.</p> <p>In terms of the winter open training a number of options were discussed and it was agreed that clubs / parents would be surveyed to gain their views prior to the next committee.</p> <p>KT agreed to develop the survey form and circulate for comment.</p> <p>The current ideas for training are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - All sessions held at Pembrokeshire Activity Centre (PACS) with Club coaches support (potential benefits include: sheltered water, possible boats available for hire on site / potential pitfalls: more travelling for some clubs, rely on coaches travelling to PACS, limited experience of different waters) - Sessions held alternately at all Clubs in the Region with each club providing coaching (potential benefits include: different waters, different coaches, everyone travels more equally / potential pitfalls: unlikely boats are available at clubs to borrow, relies on Clubs to facilitate) - Sessions alternately held at Clubs and Pembrokeshire Activity Centre (as above for 1. and 2.) 	<p>PJ/PR</p> <p>KT</p>
6.	Honda Rib	
	<p>Welsh Final dates & venue agreed.</p> <p>Regional heats and venue / dates to be sorted out. TH to ensure South RDO picks this up in RT absence.</p>	<p>TH</p>

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7.	Moving West Sailors up the competition ladder	
	See notes under winter training. PR / PJ to pick up with Iwan Basten.	
8.	Any other business	
	TH stated that RT was unlikely to be back in work before August. PR circulated various papers from the WYA strategy meeting.	
9.	Date of next meeting	
	23 rd June 2008 – 7pm at First Cheese Co – Haverfordwest.	