



West Wales Regional Committee

**Minutes of meeting held
on 21st October 2008 at Haverfordwest**

Attendees:

P Rowe (Chair), , R Kirk (NYC), M Sykes (Fishguard), K Thomas (Teifi), G Chilton (Fishguard), C Jeffries (WYA)

Apologies:

B Shaw (Tenby), C Smart (PYC), P Johnson (SSC)

Copies:

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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.	
2.	Forthcoming WYA Strategy meeting	
	<p>P Rowe informed the meeting that the next WYA strategy meeting was planned for the 9th November in mid Wales. P Rowe asked if anyone present had items that they wished taking forward to the meeting.</p> <p>Given there was none P Rowe asked that if anything came up between now and the date of the meeting that they were emailed to him.</p>	All

3.	2009 C.Y.R.C series	
	<p>The 2009 CYRC series was discussed at length and the following principles agreed :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - dates, series would start later (ie after clubs have started back after the winter) and also finish later. C Jeffries will attend the PYF meeting to agree dates. - 7 event series with each of the following clubs hosting a one day event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Neyland - PYC - Fishguard - Teifi - Tenby - Saundersfoot - Dale - 5 out 7 events to count - Sponsorship to be sought to cover prizes as per previous year but with the addition of 'keeper' trophies. - P Johnson has agreed to purchase prizes once sponsorship gained. - P Rowe to write to Dragon LNG for support. <p>R Kirk suggested that an ad / feature in the various local papers covering the completion of the winter training and the forthcoming CYRC's would help generate interest / numbers.</p> <p>K Thomas to draft article.</p> <p>C Jeffries tabled the idea of having a wind surfing class added to the 2009 CYRC's.</p> <p>R Kirk expressed concern that the inclusion of wind surfers could dilute or loose dinghy sailors from clubs.</p> <p>After much debate the committee agreed in principle to include this for next year as a trial, but were clear that this would need to be driven and effectively run by the RDO as there was no expertise within the clubs to manage such an entry.</p> <p>C Jeffries to contact Team 15 clubs to see what assistance / equipment could be provided.</p>	<p>CJ</p> <p>PJ</p> <p>PR</p> <p>KT</p> <p>CJ</p> <p>CJ</p>

4.	2008 / 09 Winter Training	
	<p>C Jeffries expressed his disappointment and concern and the poor turn out at the previous weekends winter open training.</p> <p>C Jeffries presented a poster for display at clubs to promote the training further.</p> <p>R Kirk asked for clarity on who could join the training, C Jeffries stated that anyone could participate regardless of squad status and RYA level provided they could sail around a basic triangular course, the maximum age limit being 18.</p> <p>P Rowe suggested that to drive numbers for the following year that a marketing leaflet being developed for clubs to hand out to sailors at the end of the clubs training.</p> <p>K Thomas expressed that many families found it hard to commit financially to all of the sessions up front and may be they could attend one and then gave commitment to attend the next two and so on.</p> <p>C Jeffries explained that providing coach provision on this basis would be difficult but agreed that he would take the matter off line and consider it.</p>	<p>PR / CJ</p> <p>CJ</p>
5.	DI Course	
	<p>C Jeffries reminded everyone that a DI course had been set up during half term and it currently had 8 personnel attending from the various west region clubs.</p>	
6.	Sports Council Wales	
	<p>Form filling evening arranged for 19th November at 7pm, Venue : Neyland Yacht Club.</p> <p>SCW had also offered to run a 'Racing Rules' evening. P Rowe offered his businesses conference facilities as a potential venue for the evening.</p> <p>K Thomas suggested the form filling evening would be the place to gauge interest.</p> <p>R Kirk also suggested that C Jeffries should spread the word at the forthcoming PYF meeting.</p>	<p>CJ</p>
7.	Community Coach	
	<p>C Jeffries reminded those present that there was still some community coach money to spend but clubs needed to get their engagement forms completed and back to him asap.</p>	<p>All</p>

8.	Any other business	
	<p>2010 Welsh Schools – P Rowe suggested that any club wishing to consider running the 2010 Welsh Schools event should put there club forward prior to the 2009 event in Tenby.</p> <p>Nominations to be emailed to C Jeffries.</p>	All
9.	Date of next meeting	
	<p>2nd week January 2009 (date TBC) – 7pm at First Cheese Co – Haverfordwest.</p>	