

CHRISTCHURCH SAILING CLUB

CLASS 4: AGM

24th November 2007

Present:

Ian Bray (Chair), Luke Ridout, Romilly Meager, Richard Beasley, Steve Oaten, Ed Robbin, Lawrence Peters, Jon Arnell, Chris Arnell, Tony Lock, Jack Arnell, Rory Barnes, Simon Percival, John Ridout, Richard Paulding, Peter Howard, Jim Newman

Apologies:

Andy Denison, Ray New, Dave Ede, Peter Merritt

1. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the AGM 2007 had been previously circulated.
A proposal was made for the minutes were taken as an accurate record and duly adopted.

Proposed: John Ridout
Seconded: Peter Howard
The proposal was approved unanimously.

2. MATTERS ARISING

The proposal to award some prizes immediately after races and arrange informal Class lunches in the club after racing had been combined and trialled on a date early to mid season. Whilst enjoyed by those present, support was poor.

The proposal for "class championship" races went ahead – prizes will be required.

There were 2 ODM races for Class 4 in 2008 and 2 are planned for 2009 (a third race is tricky to schedule).

The 2009 programme has been double checked with regard to tide times.

Extending the PY range for Harbour Interclub to include RS 300 was again voted down by other clubs.

Interclub SI were not put on club web site but **the request to put in a link to MYC copy is to be followed up.**

The club television is now more accessible.

3. CAPTAIN'S REPORT

Ian Bray reported that membership of the Class has remained fairly constant with 47 on the email circulation list + a few other non-email members.

43 raced at least once but many not often.

14 "summer" races were cancelled due to adverse conditions (which is probably a record) + 2 so far in the winter series.

Entries per race varied from about 3 to 11 (which is comparable to last year but down on immediately preceding years). Overall, best support came for the evening series with a total of 27 and 29 in eve 1 and 2 respectively.

The Club excelled in the Inter-club racing with a convincing win in the harbour series and 1st place in the sea series (Luke!)

4. ELECTION FOR NEW CLASS 4 CAPTAIN

Ian Bray had decided to stand down and Luke Ridout had agreed to stand. There being no other nominations Luke Ridout was duly elected and took the chair.

5. 2009 RACE PROGRAMME

This will follow much the same pattern as the 2008 programme (although tide times are awkward).

The programme (prepared by the HSS) has been checked by Ian Bray, Jim Newman and John and Luke Ridout!

Jim Newman queried the start times of the Interclub Harbour events. **The HSS agreed to double check these with MSC and HSC.**

6. 2009 OTHER EVENTS

The prize giving and annual dinner are provisionally scheduled for 21/2/09 but cannot be confirmed until the caterer returns from holiday.

Tony Lock offered to host a barbecue in the summer. Accepted with thanks. **Date to be arranged.**

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Thanks were proposed to Andy Denison and Peter Merritt for donating new trophies.

Rory Barnes reported that a Finn open meeting is proposed – **date to be confirmed.**

The presentation of prizes after selected Trophy races will again be pursued. Class captains to ensure that the HSS has the prizes available on the day

Jim Newman proposed that “thank you” presents should be given to the regular winter series race officers. **Agreed that bottles of wine would be funded by a whip round of winter series competitors.**

Romilly Meager proposed thanks to Ian Bray for his assistance and his time as Class 4 captain.

Romilly Meager also thanked Class 4 members for better discipline regarding trolleys on the slipway.

There is a proposal to hold the Ok Nationals at CSC in 2010.

Romilly Meager reported that there is still a reluctance on the part of suitably experienced members to take on RO duties and would members please volunteer.

RO training is proposed for an evening in March and Ian Bray offered to undertake basic on the water RO training if required.

Chris Arnell pointed out that new Sailing Rules take effect for next season. There was a call for a Rules training evening (for all classes!). **HSS to pursue.**

Jim Newman queried the policy of allowing members from other clubs to participate in club races. It was pointed out that club rules allow any guests to compete (but not to win prizes) and the benefits of better relationships with other Harbour clubs and the opportunities for our members to compete in their races outweigh and drawbacks.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8:34 pm.