

Class 5 AGM Minutes, 16th November 2007

Those present

Mark Samuel, Mirror

Malcolm Hadley, Mirror

Ken Diggines, Mirror

Suzanne Gardener, Mirror

Karen Bryden, Mirror

Ed Robbin, Mirror & Solo

Andy Haynes, Mirror & Oppi

Lisa Booth, Oppi

Burl Solomons, Mirror & Oppi

Pierre Elena, Mirror

Di & Owen Kerr, Mirror

Paul & Clare de la Feuillade

Apologies

John Thackray

Rory & Jenny Barnes

Mike Trevett

Adrian Dwyer

2006 Minutes

The minutes from the 2006 AGM were reviewed and adopted. They were proposed by Ken and seconded by Malcolm.

Class Captain's report (as reported in club magazine)

At the time of writing class 5 is having a bit of a revival. Owen and I took over caretaking the class earlier in the year, as Paul de La Feuillade was finding time difficult with the pressures of work and a young family etc.. The stalwarts have been out there racing, Ken and Malcolm; and John Thackray missed his Mirror so much that he has bought another, so he will be boosting the numbers in future. Added to that some of our Oppie group are so keen that their Mums/Dads have bought Mirrors and have been having a go at some two handed racing. To put us all to shame Burl Solomons rejoined the club after years away and has raced his mirror lots with son Joel. He also went to the Nationals and lots of open meetings...well done Burl. I gather next year his son Joel, only 8, will be torn between Oppie sailing and the Mirror with his Dad. But fortunately there are two more little Solomons to be trained up to race with Dad. Well done the Solomon family!!

Trophies awarded

Di then awarded trophies as follows:

Spring series	Malcolm Hadley (Mirror)
Autumn series	Burl Solomons (Mirror)
Tom Drew Cup	Malcolm Hadley (Mirror)
Harbour trophy	Burl Solomons (Mirror)
Aries Tray (Class Captains choice)	Joel Solomons (Mirror/Oppie)

Other Trophies were won by Toppers and would be presented the next night at their AGM.

Class Captain and Vice Captain

Di agreed to take over as Class Captain and Burl Solomon's volunteered to act as Vice Captain.

Racing

It was agreed that Mirrors and Toppers should revert to racing separately. This will take effect from the 2008 season and race officers will need to be briefed accordingly. It was also mentioned that race officers should be reminded to time Mirrors, as handicaps differ whether 1 or 2 up, and whether a spinnaker is carried or not. Burl suggested that perhaps some informal racing should be organised for Pope's as they may not feel confident enough to join in with the Club racing before gaining some experience.

Social Sailing

Social sailing was discussed and it was proposed by Burl that a flotilla could be organised to Southbourne beach. Di suggested that the Club RIB could be used as an escort boat if it was not needed for racing duties on the day of the flotilla. A treasure hunt was also discussed and generally thought to be a good idea.

Quiz Team

Ed Robbin and Simon Booth both volunteered to join the quiz team if new players were required.

Adopting a New Class

Ken suggested that the Club should consider adopting a two person dinghy suitable for two adults to cruise or race. Ken felt that if the Club formally adopted a class, it would stimulate interest from members and could lead to a new fleet. It was suggested that Ken start a discussion thread in the CSC chatroom proposing this idea, in order to seek views from other members.

Dinghy Spaces

The issue of unused dinghy spaces was discussed and it was agreed that a cull of unused boats was desirable to free up space for new members, especially now that the junior sailing programme was gathering momentum. Any Class 5 sailors not using their boats can therefore not assume that storage will automatically be granted for the 2008 season.

Dinghy Trolleys

Di raised the point that when a large number of dinghy trolleys are left at the side of the slipway, it makes access difficult for the Mirrors stored on the front row. This could also be a health and safety issue as they represent a significant trip hazard. It was suggested that a clearly defined area for trolleys could be created to avoid this blockage and hazard in future.

Mirror open

The Mirror open was discussed and Di suggested that a sub-committee was formed to organise the event. Race officers were discussed and it was felt that Chris and John Arnell should be approached. Burl suggested that the racing could be held in the harbour rather than at sea.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm