



Beaulieu River Sailing Club

MINUTES OF THE 89th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Held on Saturday 20th November 2021 at 18.00 at Beaulieu Village Hall

75 members present

The meeting was opened by the Commodore, welcoming those attending and noting that 2020 had been a difficult year followed by a slow start to 2021 due Covid-19 restrictions. She thanked the Committee for their hard work in managing the restrictions and protocols required to ensure sailing could take place. She observed that by the Autumn, normal racing could take place and there was some excellent racing, capped by Ben Ainslie joining her in a Scow to race to Bucklers Hard followed by tea at Keith and Maureen Mills; dinghies dressed overall to celebrate the centenary of the marina.

Apologies:

Sue Nicholas	Paul and Clare McStay	Ollie and Sophie Mudie
Aline Fairweather	Anna Rostand	Anthony and Brigitte Haas
Bill Slee	Daphne Cadogan	Nick and Jacqui Barwood
Brett and Rosemary Johnson	Bryan Sheinman	Gerard Downes
Peter and Angela Hayward	Bill and Dilys Rich	
Broomfield		

1. Minutes of 2020 AGM

Approval of the minutes was proposed by Tim Robinson and seconded by June Kirkman.

2. Births, Marriages and Deaths

The following births were announced by the Captain.

Francis to Rupert & Sarah Downes
Thomas to Edward & Bella Hayward-Broomfield
Sebastian to Tim & Victoria Hooijdonk-Cox
Amber to Rob and Victoria Rawilngs

The Captain announced the marriage of Polly Sturgess to Justin Redman.

The Captain read the names of members who had died in the last year and as a sign of respect a minute's silence was observed by those present.

John Hawkins	Martina Stratton
Leigh Webb	Nick Kirkman
John Cox	

3. New Members

The Honorary Secretary announced that the following people had joined the Club the course of the year and invited the new members present to make themselves known

Zac & Paula Cogan

Daniel & Emily Monckton

Karl & Lisa Liebat

Ollie & Sophie Mudie

Robert & Karen Rogers

Toby McGinn

Life Membership was awarded to John Phipps.

4. Captain's Report

The Captain thanked the Committee for their work over the last two years. As last year's AGM had been held via Zoom, he thanked Simon Knott, Ross McGinn and Peter Bettridge who had stepped down from the Committee last year. He thanked Jay Devonshire and Tim Robinson for their work with Lymington River Scow Association. A proposal had been put forward to an extra-ordinary general meeting at LRSA to put WS on the sails. Jay confirmed that a Claridge Scow with a Saunders sail would be able to race at Lymington subject to the vote at the general meeting.

Robert and Ginna Gayner had brought the BRSC photograph albums which could be viewed.

5. Honorary Sailing Secretary's Report

The Rules and Regulations, together with the Constitution, had been updated to reflect formatting, grammar and minor changes. After approval by the Trustees, these had been distributed with the AGM papers. Nick Bentley Buckle and Red Johnson proposed and seconded approval of these changes.

6. Honorary Sailing Secretary's Report

The Sailing Secretary reported a slow start to the season, beginning only on 11 April, due to Covid-19 restrictions. The Junior Spring Regatta, Club Rally to Newtown Creek and tea courtesy of John and Carol Hackman also had to be cancelled for the same reason. The Gravelly House Race took place, the first Club social event for two years. The annual Regatta was a great success with good conditions and a strong turnout. The Junior Regatta, Up River Race and the Autumn series continued with good conditions.

Junior Sailing week had taken place with 55 children, organised by Charlie Bubear, despite testing wind conditions. Senior Sailing had been organised over two weekends due to a conflict with Junior Sailing and tides, however the second weekend was cancelled due to strong wind conditions. She thanked June Kirkman, Cassie Strang and Victoria Bonham-Carter for organising.

Ginna's sailing week was run by Angela Hayward-Broomfield and supported by Peter Bettridge in Ginna's absence. Fourteen ladies took part.

The Committee had agreed a Scow Class rule change. From the start of next season, all Scows would need to be equipped with an eight metre floating painter. This was a compulsory rule and instigated to facilitate the righting of dinghies which had turned turtle

Tim Robinson was thanked as retiring Captain of Scows for all his hard work with racing and other club events. He would however, continue to oversee the BRSC Website.

The Sailing Secretary confirmed that Key Dates for 2022 had been arranged and a note circulated at the AGM.

The full report together with the results of the racing series can be viewed on the BRSC website.

7. Honorary Treasurer's Report

The Honorary Treasurer informed members that after scrutiny by Adam Mills, the 2020 accounts had been approved by the Committee and he drew their attention to the draft accounts for the current year.

Income was down due to the cancellation of the second Senior Training weekend, but thanks to Guy and Nina McNair-Wilson who had stored the rescue boats overwinter, savings had been made. June Kirkman had offered to store them for the coming winter 2021. The slipway had been re-concreted, making a huge difference, and the interior of the Clubhouse redecorated, resulting in expenditure of around £9,000 and £2,000 respectively. Alex Stones would be paid for his work on the website. He confirmed that the Club's worth would be approximately £96,000 at the end of 2021.

The Treasurer reported that subscriptions had remained the same since 2010 and requested an increase from £50 to £60 for Family Membership and from £25 to £30 for Individual Membership. This was proposed by Robert Gayner and seconded by Victoria Bonham-Carter and would take effect from 2022.

8. Election of Committee Members

The Honorary Secretary reported that the following Committee members had reached the end of their tenures, were stepping down from the Committee and thanked them for all their work.

Tim Robinson – Captain of Scows

Libby Duignan – Social Secretary

The following were confirmed as re-elected; Sam van Holthe for Safety Boats, Amanda Bentley Buckle as Membership Secretary, June Kirkman as Captain of Senior Sailing and Tom Dykes as Captain of Lasers. The Captain confirmed that he would also be continuing as Captain with the agreement of the Committee.

The Captain called for a proposer and seconder to appoint Victoria Bonham-Carter as Captain of Scows and Ross McGinn as Social Secretary. Nick Bentley-Buckle proposed and Gerry Marling-Roberts seconded these appointments.

- 9.** Tim Robinson gave a short presentation on the new website and explained that it was more interactive for volunteers and pre-registration for races.
- 10.** The Captain confirmed the date of the next AGM as 19th November 2022. With no comments from the floor, he thanked everybody for attending and declared the meeting closed.

Drinks and canapés were served.