

International RS Class Association Management Meeting Minutes 13 March 2017

RS Romsey

Chair of Meeting: Harry Roome

Secretary: Clare Sargent

No.	Agenda Item	Action
1	<p><u>Apologies:</u> Sally Campbell (Sec), Tom Pearce (Aus RS200), Richard Wadsworth (UK RS700).</p> <p><u>Present:</u> Heather Chipperfield (Sec), Chris Feibusch (UK RS800), Michiel Geerling (Int RS500), Harry Roome (Treasurer), Jon Partridge (RS Sailing), Harry Roome (Treasurer), Clare Sargent (Sec), Max Tosetti (UK RS400), Martin Wadhams (RS Sailing), <u>On telephone:</u> Ylva Beck (Swe RS500), Mark Harrison (UK RS100), Richard Le Mare (UK RS300). Harry Roome (HR) welcomed everyone.</p>	
2	<p><u>Minutes of last meeting:</u></p> <p>a. RS500 rule changes: vote in progress with 3 weeks left, proposed changes are small rigging changes and rule clarification to improve international comprehension</p>	HC
3	<p><u>2017 and 2018 calendar:</u></p> <p>a. Heather Chipperfield (HC) had nothing more to report on 2017.</p> <p>b. RS500 and RS800 Medemblik: HC had a very positive meeting with the regatta manager and Race Officer. All up and running. HC is very confident it is going to be a great event.</p> <p>c. Fleets have decided to call the Carnac events their EuroCups and the RS Games events their European Championship. HC will send out the 2018 International calendar.</p> <p>d. HC had a very positive meeting with RS Sailing about support to be provided for UK and International events in 2017 and 2018. The event support will be clearly structured and names allocated to tasks. The meeting included discussions about charter boats, videography and photography, and event spares lists.</p>	HC
4	<p><u>Boat matters:</u></p> <p>a. RS700 RW to produce a 'tips' newsletter to show sailors how to prevent breakages. CS to follow up.</p> <p>b. RS800 fleet have voted to permit off boom sheeting as well as hull sheeting. This is making the boat more attractive to youth and other skiff sailors, especially those from outside UK.</p> <p>c. Michiel Geerling (MG) will revisit RS500 off boom sheeting at the Summer RS500 AGM.</p>	RW and CS MG
5	<p><u>Secretary/class relationship:</u></p> <p>a. MG stands down as Int RS500 Chair and will recruit his replacement.</p>	MG
6	<p><u>Any other business:</u></p> <p>a. Martin Wadhams (MW) suggested that fleets need to have at least 6 big communication hits per year, in addition to event reporting. Key topics across the year with a consistent message. RS Sailing can offer specialist support if required. The aim is to energise fleet media presence.</p> <p>b. RS Sailing is looking for a videography intern.</p> <p>c. Jon Partridge (JP) suggested Sailing Anarchy website because it has enormous global reach. They like exclusive quirky stories eg reframe RS800 boom sheeting as bringing more girls onto RS800 party scene</p> <p>d. RS100 Mark Harrison asked for the Intend to Race button to be returned to the RS100 website.</p> <p>e. Swedish RS500 Ylva Beck reported that the ice now melted in Sweden so RS500s are starting to sail. Four Swedish RS500s are coming to Como. MG will meet up with Ylva when he is working in Sweden in April.</p>	All JP All CS MG and Ylva Beck
7	<p><u>Date of next meetings:</u> 1700hrs Mon 22 May 17 at RS Romsey</p>	All

Clare Sargent, RS Class Association Secretary