



AGM Minutes August 2018

Minutes of RS200 AGM, held on 22nd August 2018 at WPNSA

1. Welcome

RS200 Chair Jo Hewitson welcomed those present

2. Apologies for absence

None received

3. Review of the current season

a. Rooster National Tour has been made up of the following events (attendance figures in brackets):

Winters, BCYC (17) – very cold, would run later in the year for 2019

Sprints, Rutland (11) – enjoyed by those there

Summers, Parkstone (42) – good sailing and great social

Still to run

Inland & Youth Champs, Grafham – the club have arranged on site accommodation at the sailing school, plus campervans and camping are permitted. Good entry anticipated, those present asked to promote it at their clubs.

National circuit figures are lower than we would like, partly because the regional series give good competition closer to home.

b. Regional Tours

The 5 regional tours are going from strength to strength, giving good quality, competitive racing in a welcoming environment close to home.

Total attendance across the region over 200 boats

West Country Boat Repairs SW Ugly Tour – 61

SEAS – 31

Fox's Chandlery Great Eastern – 20

Scottish – 41

Sailing Chandlery Northern – 23

c. Other Events

The reunion regatta at HISC was a great success

4. Plan for 2019 and beyond

a. National Tour to comprise 5 events, to be names Rooster GP1, 2 etc, rather than all being called 'X Championships':

i. GP 1, late Mar SC to approach BCYC or Chew

ii. GP 2, 27/28 April, Sprints, Rutland

iii. GP 3, 22/23 June, Summer Regatta, HISC

iv. GP 4, July, TBC

v. GP 5, 5/6 Oct, Inlands, Grafham

b. Eurocup – 24-27 May, Strangford Lough, NI.

An excellent venue with a strong local fleet, camping on site and good socials. To be combined with the RS400 Northern's. Much encouragement to be given to sharing transport to reduce travel cost. To assist with this a joint SEAS / Ugly Circuit event to be run ideally the weekend before possibly at Stokes Bay. This will enable boats to be loaded on multi stackers.

- c. Nationals – Royal Torbay 5-9 August
 - d. Youth Champs – to be run as a separate event in 2019, hopefully combined with the RS Aeros
 - e. Future Nationals
 - i. 2020 Filey 2-6 Aug
 - ii. 2021 Exe 15-19 Aug
5. Election of Committee
- a. Jo Hewitson kindly agreed to continue as fleet chair
 - b. All other committee members agreed to continue, with the exception of Emma Clarke, who would like to take a break due to work commitments. SC and JH thanked her for her valuable contribution over the last few years.
 - c. If anyone else would like to join the committee, we would welcome help with socials and results.
 - d. SC thanked all of the committee members for their hard work and enthusiasm.
6. Rule Observance
- Those present felt that the rule observance and general behaviour had been much better since the rule change no longer permitting marks to be hit and the introduction of the judges at the Summers and Nationals. The working group of TH, RH and EC proposed that for 2019 we have just 1 judge at the Nationals and do not have a judge at the Summers. This was agreed. It was also proposed that the drone footage be used for rules tutorials (PV to take forward).
7. AOB
- a. Coaching – 5 x £50 grants for the Class Association are to be made available for 5 club training sessions. The Class Association will help source coaches if required. Clubs are invited to request one of these sessions.
 - b. Jib – a prototype jib with an extra window has been trialled and felt to be much safer. There will be no extra cost. This will be introduced soon and a rule change will be made to enable retrospective fitting of the window to existing jibs (RH). Those present unanimously agreed that the new jib should go ahead.
 - c. Sail number – The PRO had pointed out that boats with an incorrect sail number could invalidate insurance claims. All are requested to display the correct sail number.
 - d. Grandmaster – it was proposed and agreed to introduce a new category of Grandmaster, age tbc (Pete Vincent)
 - e. Technical settings – these need to be updated to include Will's and James Peter's rigging guides, hints, tips etc. It was also requested that the settings for the top 10 Nationals boats be published
 - f. Gate Starts – discussion was held about a gate start practice. The best option was thought to be 'rabbit run' practise after Saturday's racing at HISC. Jo Hewitson to see if this is possible.
 - g. 360/720 penalties – discussion was held as to whether a 360 or 720 penalty is most appropriate for the class, opinion was divided. Rob Henderson and Maria Stanley to put the pros and cons to the fleet so that a vote can be held.