

## CHICHESTER CRUISER RACING CLUB

Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 19th October, 1977.

Present:- The Commodore (J. A. Cunnison)  
Vice Commodore and Hon. Treasurer (F. A. Giles)  
Hon. Secretary (J. D. Bence)  
Hon. Sailing Secretary (N. J. Froy)  
Hon. Press Officer (W. J. W. Courtney)  
Representative to the Chichester Harbour Fed. (G. Calvert)

Apologies were received from P. Chivers - Hon. Auditor.

1. The Minutes of the meeting held on the 15th December, 1976 were approved.
2. Matters Arising - The Fitting Out Supper in 1977 was a success so it was decided to have another in 1978 at either Hayling Island Sailing Club or Itchenor Sailing Club. A Flag Officers Reception for new members would be held before the Fitting Out Supper and if any new films of interest were found they could also be shown.
3. Handbook and Sailing Instruction Preparation for 1978 - The Secretary advised that he would be out of the country from 3rd February to 5th May, and would therefore be unable to complete the Handbook. A. Giles kindly agreed to co-ordinate the Membership and Handbook work, and it was agreed to approach R. Morris to help on the social programme and Membership queries. With regard to the sailing instructions, only an errata slip would be needed as we had adequate stocks of the 1977 issue. The Commodore undertook to confirm that the printing arrangements would be available at Dorothy Perkins.
4. Crew Register - It was agreed that the Crew Register should be continued in 1978, but sent to every member, and it was agreed to ask Richard Tate to continue his good work.
5. Treasurer's Report - A. Giles reported on the present financial situation and presented his draft accounts for the A.G.M. He welcomed the assistance of P. Chivers as Auditor. The question of re-evaluation of our Cups for insurance purposes was raised and the Sailing Secretary agreed to arrange for this. It was suggested that we do not continue with our Olympic subscription, and it was the Treasurer's recommendation that the present subscription remain for 1978. The Auditor had sent a letter suggesting that we change our year to the 30th September, but the Treasurer was not in favour of this change because of the expenses associated with the Laying Up and Prize giving etc. As a result of a discussion it was generally concluded that it is better to have the A.G.M. at the end of the Sailing Season as at present and so continue with the present financial reporting.
6. Sailing Secretary's Report - N. Froy reported that the Beta Handicapping System as run by Hugh Caldwell appeared to be satisfactory and that the racing programme had been concluded satisfactorily for the year. The question of the size limitation was raised and a proposal made that certain

6. Sailing Secretary's Report contd.

passage races should be open to 'Z' Class or potential 'Z' Class yachts in view of the interest in three quarter ton boats. After some discussion this was referred to the Sailing Committee.

The prizes would cost £270 for 1977 and would be Wine Glasses suitably inscribed. There were two new Jubilee Trophies and a Beta Ladies Trophy. In addition a trophy would be presented for the highest points gained in either class by a new member sailing in his first season.

Suggestions were made to improve the social programme by including times for meeting at Clubs or venues throughout the Season, and making the 'Rafting Party' more formal through arranging 'Host Skippers' etc. It was suggested that R. Morris and H. Binyon be approached to help in the organisation of the social programme.

7. A.G.M. 12th November, 1977 - The Secretary advised that all arrangements were complete for the A.G.M. and that a nomination had been received and seconded for P. Cooke as Hon. Sailing Secretary following the resignation of N. J. Froy.
8. Conservancy and Federation Reports - G. Calvert reported that the proposal to reduce the speed limit in Chichester Harbour from 8 knots to 6 knots had not been approved, and he was asked to express our regret. It was recommended that we ask the Federation to ensure that Harbour Clubs report all speed excesses to prevent abuse. It was also reported that the Harbour Master which to increase the number of moorings in the harbour and further details were awaited.
9. Updating of Club Rules - W. Courtney kindly undertook to co-ordinate the revision to the Club Rules and the relevant copy of the existing rules and previous proposals were handed to him.
10. Any Other Business - Details of the forthcoming Laying Up Supper and Prizegiving were discussed, and it was confirmed that the attendance was likely to be 120 - an all time record.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at approximately 10 p.m.