

CHICHESTER CRUISER RACING CLUB

Minutes of the 30th Annual General Meeting held at Chichester Yacht Club on Saturday, 4th November, 1978, commencing at 11.30 a.m.

Present: The Commodore J.A. Cunnison
 Vice Commodore & Hon. Treasurer F.A. Giles
 Hon. Sailing Secretary P.W. Cooke
 R.P. Morris (deputising for the Hon. Secretary, J.D. Bence)
 and 39 Members.

1. Apologies for absence were received from J.D. Bence, R. Aspinwall and K. Freivokh.
2. The Minutes of the twenty-ninth A.G.M. were taken as read and confirmed as a true record.
3. Matters Arising. There were no matters arising.
4. Commodore's Report. A copy is attached to these Minutes.
5. Hon. Sailing Secretary's Report. "
6. Hon. Treasurer's Report. "
7. Adoption of Accounts. The accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1977, (a copy of which is attached to these Minutes) were approved following a proposal from J. Rickard, seconded by W.J.W. Courtney.
8. Election of Officers and Hon. Auditor. The following Officers, being eligible, stood for re-election. There being no other nominations they were duly re-elected following a proposal from D.M. Silver, seconded by D.A. Deadman:

Commodore	J.A. Cunnison
Vice Commodore and Hon. Treasurer	F.A. Giles
Hon. Secretary	J.D. Bence
Hon. Sailing Secretary	P.W. Cooke
Hon. P.R.O.	W.J.W. Courtney
Hon. Representatives to the Chichester Harbour Federation	J.A. Cunnison, G.E.H. Calvert
Hon. Auditor	P. Chivers.

9. Other Business. The following matters were raised:

a) F.H.H. Kemp raised the question of rectangular racing flags and wondered whether the Club rules might be changed so that such flags were no longer obligatory, bearing in mind practice in other clubs and the fact that many modern racing boats were no longer equipped with suitable halyards. On an informal vote, the meeting was strongly in favour and the matter was referred to the Sailing Committee.

b) The Commodore proposed an alteration to Club rule 8 to alter the relevant date from 1st September to 1st October, which was seconded by H.A. Caldwell and carried unanimously.

In connection with the Club rules, a Member commented that he had never seen a copy. It was pointed out by the Commodore that a copy of the Club rules formed part of the package sent out by the Hon. Secretary to all new Members, but that further copies were available from the Hon. Secretary if any Member required them.

9. Other Business - contd:

auditing such accounts by the A.G.M. On an informal vote the meeting was marginally in favour of the change to September 30th and the matter was referred to the General Committee.

10. There being no further matters under Other Business, the meeting closed at 12.45 a.m.

There followed an informal general discussion during which the following points were raised:

a) R. Kramers suggested that there should be two sets of numbers in the starting kit so that the O.O.D. could display the course number on each side of his boat. In addition, he suggested that the kit should be overhauled in view of the condition of some of the flags.

b) R. Kramers raised the matter of the laying-up supper. Could we consider another venue in view of the crowded conditions last year? Should we wear dinner jackets?

The feeling of the meeting on the latter point was strongly adverse. As to the former comment, the Commodore pointed out that it was too late to change this year but he suggested that if any Member had any criticism, comments or suggestions for other venues, they should contact the Hon. Secretary as soon as possible after this year's dinner so that action could be taken for 1979.

c) F.H.H. Kemp raised the question of Z class racing and the Club's policy towards it. This was an appropriate moment for the Commodore to report on the meeting with H.I.S.C. concerning one design racing which he had attended together with P.W. Cooke, J.D. Bence and N.J. Froy. The major points of his report are as follows:

1. H.I.S.C.'s policy is to provide and encourage one design racing for 101, Impala, Sonata and J.24.
2. Races will all be sea races on Sundays (26 races in all).
3. C.C.R.C.'s proposed programme has 11 Sunday sea races.
4. A possible compromise would be for C.C.R.C. and H.I.S.C. to combine one design racing on these days. H.I.S.C. would start and finish these races.

There followed a lengthy discussion on the whole subject of one design racing and how to adopt C.C.R.C. rules to incorporate it. The matter has yet to be fully discussed by the Sailing Committee but the feeling of the A.G.M. was clearly in favour of one design being incorporated into C.C.R.C., and in favour of extending C.C.R.C. limits to include bigger boats (Contessa 34, 101, Carter $\frac{3}{4}$ tonner were mentioned). Should the need to incorporate one-design in C.C.R.C. necessitate a change of handicapping it was clear that Beta owners were strongly against a move away from Portsmouth Yardstick as adjusted to a fixed unadjustable system. No strong objections were raised to the idea of changing to a beta type system for the whole fleet.

d) Mrs. Froy requested a campaign to try and recruit new members. W.J.W. Courtney suggested that each member should try and enlist one new member. It was felt that little could be done until the 1979 programme had been finalised