

Minutes of the NECRA Executive Committee at THYC on Sunday, 18th January, 2009

1. Attendees: Harry Sissling, Chairman
Stuart Armstrong, Treasurer
Peter Bolton, THYC Rep
Nigel Robinson, Secretary
Apologies: Gordon Spencer, SYC Rep
Jeremy Watson, RNYC Rep
2. The meeting opened at 2pm and the Chairman, Harry Sissling-WYC, welcomed all attendees.
3. The minutes of the last meeting were read and accepted as a true record
4. **Matters Arising:**
 - a. Sailing Programme: The draft programme produced at the last meeting was adopted. Points that required confirming were:
 - i. THYC agreed to run the NECRA Regatta
 - ii. There had been no offers of sponsorship, but it could be accepted if offered. An entry fee of £10 could be necessary to cover prizes and entertainment
 - iii. NECRA rules did not preclude an open regatta, so it would be run as such.
 - b. The RNYC rep, by letter, had pointed out his disappointment that there had been no event allocated to RNYC and still wanted some sort of Sportsboat events (an idea that contradicted the only RNYC rep at the AGM who had stated that sportsboat racing was adequately catered for within club – Sec). He accepted that little could be done for this year's programme, but the matter required further debate. The committee decided that they could accommodate the Farnes Race within their programme and this would take place on Saturday, 25th July starting at 0600, hopefully finishing between 17 & 1800.
 - c. The agreed programme would be:

Sat, 23rd – Mon 25th May (Spring BH) NECRA Regatta and inter-club competition – THYC

 - Sat, 23rd May, 1400 - Race 1
 - Sun, 24th May, 1300 – Race 2
 - Sun, 25th May, 1500 – Race 3
 - Mon, 26th May, 0930 – Race 4

(Flyers will be distributed)

 - Fri, 12th June Sunderland-Whitby, 2100
 - Sun 14th June - Whitby-Hartlepool, 1000
 - Fri, 10th July - North Sea Race, Scarborough-Ijmuiden, start TBD
 - Sat, 25th July, Farnes Race, 0600
 - Fri, 14th Aug, 2130, Whitby, South (Filey Brig/Scalby), WYC start/finish line, finish Hartlepool Saturday afternoon.
 - Sat 19th Sep, Whitby - Hartlepool, 1000
 - Sat, 19th Sep, Sunderland – Hartlepool, 1400
 - d. Social events to accompany the sailing events:

- i. Evening of Sat, 23rd May – Curry, musical entertainment
- ii. Breakfast will be provided on the Sunday morning
- iii. Evening of Sun, 24th May, Bar open, Prize Giving (1900ish)
- iv. No presentation on Monday – defer to Annual Prizegiving
- v. Sat 13th, June, Food and entertainment, Whitby (not discussed, but assumed).
- vi. Sat 19th, Sep, bar open, prior to individual food arrangements.

e. Handicaps – NERR handicap system had been adopted.

f. Class Splits - 2009 handicap data not available. Deferred to next meeting

g. Prize Giving/ AGM would take place at THYC at 1930 on Wednesday, 21st October at 1930. A cold buffet will be requested

8. Next Meeting – Sunday, 26th April, THYC at 1500.

9. Any Other Business – No other business

Nigel Robinson

NECRA Secretary