

Minutes of the NECRA Executive Committee at THYC on Sunday, 17th January, 2010

1. Attendees: Harry Sissling, Chairman
Stuart Armstrong, Treasurer
Peter Bolton, THYC Rep
Nigel Robinson, Secretary
Apologies: 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. Confirmation of proposed programme:
Confirmation was still required that the Sunderland to Whitby Race on Friday, 18th June would start at 2100. Sunderland reps requested to confirm.
It had been confirmed that the Bass Rock Race would start at Blyth at 2100 on Friday, 25th June. Supper would be available pre-race.
A start time for the Sunderland to Hartlepool Tall Ships feeder race on 6th or 7th August is required. Sunderland reps requested to obtain.
Whitby to Hartlepool Tall Ships feeder race would take place on Saturday, 7th August starting at 1000.
Timings are still required for Roker, RNYC and WYC's regattas, although the RNYC said that he thought the first race would be at 1300

The programme would now be:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>COMMENTS</u>
29-31 May	NECRA Regatta, THYC Sat, 29 th May, Race 1, 1500 Sun, 30 th May, Race 2, 1030 Sun, 30 th May, Race 3, 1330 Mon, 31 st May, Race 4, 1000 (Short)	Spring Bank Holiday
18 Jun	Sunderland - Whitby Over-night, 2100?	
20 Jun	Whitby – Hartlepool, 1000	
25 Jun	Bass Rock Race, 2100	Pre-Race Supper
16 Jul	North Sea Race, Scarborough-Ijmuiden	Scarborough Yacht Club
6 or 7 Aug	Sunderland-Hartlepool	Possible overnight, Tall Ships
7 Aug	Whitby-Hartlepool, 1000	Tall Ships
28-30 Aug	Roker Regatta, SYC*times TBC	Summer Bank Holiday
4-5 Sep	RNYC Regatta*	First Race 1300?
11-12 Sep	WYC Mini Series*times TBC	3 Races Sat, 2 Sun
20 October	AGM/Prize-Giving/Open Meeting	THYC

5. **NECRA Regatta at THYC, 29th – 31st May 2010**

The format for the racing was as agreed at previous meetings:

Saturday, 29th May, 1500 – Race 1
Sunday, 30th May, 1030 – Race 2

Sunday, 30th May, 1330 – Race 3
Monday, 31st May, 1000 – Race 4

Enquiries were made to see if the Thundercats would be racing at Hartlepool again this year and it was thought “highly likely” although funding issues still had to be resolved.

Social

Saturday, 29th May, 1900, Curry Supper or B-B-Q and prize presentation.
Sunday, 30th May, early evening, prize presentation.

Costs

Costs had not been discussed, but it had been stated previously that the marina would not be able to offer free berthing.

Cost of entry had not been discussed, but the secretary would like representatives to confirm that they would be happy with £10 as per 2009.

Prizes

The Treasurer and the THYC Rep would investigate purchasing engraved whisky glasses (16) as prizes.

6. Any Other Business – the Chairman raised the following points:
 - a. The constitution changes approved at the AGM needed incorporating in the constitution on the website. Secretary to organise.
 - b. The Chairman had a list of what cups were actually presented at the Prizegiving and thought it would be wise to ascertain the full stock of trophies. The committee thought it appropriate to carry this out in September prior to the next Prizegiving.
 - c. In order to “sell” NECRA to the clubs, he asked that representatives consider NECRA sending officers to other clubs annual dinners to talk to possible members.
7. Next Meeting – Sunday, 30th May, THYC in the afternoon after racing.
8. The meeting closed at 3pm.

Nigel Robinson

NECRA Secretary