

## NECRA Meeting 29<sup>th</sup> January 2014

### Minutes

Apologies for absence were received from Gordon Spencer           SYC

Ideas from the AGM have been incorporated into the discussion over the 2015 programme

It was agreed that a subdivision be incorporated for double handed racing.

This would need to be communicated by VHF or similar on the date of the race

This would be along with Crew numbers.

#### Programme

It was agreed that there should be only one regatta to count for NECRA 2015, but not to put any events on when other clubs were hosting theirs

May           16/17 Hartlepool Regatta

#### Offshore

June	5 <sup>th</sup>	Bass Rock	RNYC
June	12 <sup>th</sup>	Sunderland to Whitby	WYC
June	14 <sup>th</sup>	Whitby to Hartlepool	THYC
June	27 <sup>th</sup>	North Sea Race	ScYC
July	18 <sup>th</sup>	Vernon Dawson	WYC
August	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Hartlepool to Blyth	RNYC
August	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Blyth to Sunderland	SYC
September	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sunderland to Hartlepool	THYC

It was agreed that it would be two races to count for the regatta and four races to count for the offshore series which includes the North Sea Race

Draft sailing Instructions to be submitted by the end of February

This to include method and time limits for submitting finishing times (generally felt that it should be no more than 24 hours although it may be drastically less EG Sunderland to Whitby when all boats will be in Whitby)

#### Notice of race 2015

It was agreed that some small tidying up would be done re dates

Class divisions           Class 1:       0.9000 and above

                                  Class 2:       0.8999 and below

It was further agreed to incorporate Self steering gear (as in the RORC) wording to follow

#### Publicity

It was discussed that we may do more with a blog and updating news

Suggested a poster for clubs with dates and suggesting cruising sailors may like to join the NECRA fleet at their destination. DW to produce draft

May include some or all race reports in yachting media

### Opening Meeting

It was suggested and agreed that there should be a registration meeting (date proposed 15<sup>th</sup> May at THYC)

Possible added attraction would be the history of NECRA's first 50 years

### Any Other Business

It was agreed that NECRA needs entries in time to be able to process the application and sort out a TCF by the time of the race (will be discussed further)

Agreed date for AGM Thursday October 22<sup>nd</sup> Venue to be agreed but probably THYC

Date of next Committee meeting Thursday March 22<sup>nd</sup> at THYC