

Minutes of the NECRA Executive Committee Meeting held at THYC on Sunday, 30th May

Attending:

Harry Sissling, Chairman

Stuart Armstrong, Treasurer

Dave Wheldon, SYC Rep

Peter Bolton, THYC Rep

Nigel Robinson, Secretary

Apologies: None

1. The meeting opened at 1630 with a welcome from the Chairman.
2. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as a true record.
3. Matters Arising:
 - a. It was confirmed that the Sunderland to Hartlepool Race on Saturday, 7th August, feeder for the Tall Ships, would start at 1000.
 - b. SIs for the Whitby to Hartlepool Race on Sunday, 20th June, were required.
 - c. The THYC Rep would organise a suitable date with Larry Wilkinson to sort out the situation with trophies.
 - d. The committee approved the payment of food provided for the supper on the first evening of the regatta.
4. Future NECRA Events:
 - a. Sis for races:
 - i. Bass Rock Race, 25th June – RNYC's Sis will be satisfactory.
 - ii. North Sea Race, 16th July – ScYC's Sis will be satisfactory
 - iii. Sunderland-Hartlepool and Whitby Hartlepool on 7th August - SI's will be required in due course.
 - iv. Roker, RNYC & WYC mini-series regattas – SI's required in due course.
 - b. AGM/Prizegiving – a free supper will be provided.
5. Any other business:
 - a. Sports boats – a member had queried the entry of a sports boat in this regatta and was under the impression that they were not allowed. The committee were unaware of any rule barring sports boats from competing and thought that the

entry of any boats in NECRA racing should be encouraged assuming that safety regulations were established and followed.

- b. The Chairman raised the point that the constitutional requirement of 4 committee meetings per year was onerous and, at times unnecessary. Thought might be given to changing this requirement and also looking in to other methods of conducting meetings such as conference telephone sessions or conferencing on Skype.
- 6 Next meeting. The next meeting would take place at THYC around the breakfast period on Sunday, 8th August to coincide with the Tall Ships visit.

Nigel Robinson
NECRA Sec