

NECRA open meeting - 25 October 2018

Premeeting 19.30

Attendance: Dave Wheldon, Stuart Armstrong, Ian Lynch, Larry Wilkinson, Wolfgang Kuster.

Discussion about the agenda for AGM and open meeting.
We agreed to propose Shaun as chairman.

AGM

Chairman's report:
(transcript of section 'review of last season' of last committee meeting)

Treasurer's report - SA

- Treasurer recommends to stay the same
- Explanation for £50 in Whitby

Election of officer

- Chairman
- Vice chairman
- Treasurer (Stuart Armstrong)
- Secretary (Steve Marsden)

Prizegiving

(include table from last committee meeting)

- Yacht of the year – Tarka

Food

Open meeting

Notes from last committee meeting re future season

- Club regattas
 - Pros and cons were discussed. Marina suggested to have only one regatta with the potential of free berthing in the Marina. Larry mentioned that regattas are a significant workload to the clubs.
 - Show of hands (clear majority for one regatta in relation to 3 regattas)
 - Regatta in Hartlepool should not be end of June (Nationals 707)
 - Olympic courses vs round the cans to be decided by TYHC
- Distance races: Tyne Bank Holiday race was a success and there was some support for the committee's proposal to have a second race on bank holiday Monday (for the committee to decide).
- Social media appearance for NECRA was suggested.
- Partnership with Hartlepool Marina was discussed.
- Winter series only one class. Option of more than one class based on participation.
- No additional fee for NECRA.
- Every boat will need a rating. IRC vs NERR rating.
- Sailing instruction proposal was discussed. Club reps to be approached.

- New committee will need to agree sailing programme asap.
- There was no big support for a new newsletter. Instead we should use social media as the way of communicating NECRA news.
- Burgees recommended.
- Proposal to move AGM to have at the last event. Alternative to have AGM on regatta event.
- Socials are important.

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