



420 Monthly Committee Meeting
GBR International 420 Class Association
15th Feb at 7.30pm

Attendees:

Steve Davies (Chair)
Tiffany Cawthorne
Ben Rayner
Andy Taylor
Lucy Bennett
Jon Meadowcroft
Chris Braund
Oscar Cawthorne
Sharon Davidson-Guild

James George
Annabell Catermole
Tim Rush
Oli Meadowcroft
Ellie Rush
Thomas Clayton

Apologies:

Joff McGill
Louise Davies
Izzy Massey

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Sailor Rep Report
3. Training Update
4. Event Update
5. International Update
6. AOB

Sailor Rep Report

Oli Meadowcroft (OM) presented the Sailor Report:

- Racing recently the turnaround was quite slow which contrasts with Worlds/International events. Would like faster turnarounds.
- Removing mark 5 - fleet happy with this as they prefer no mark 5. There was a question about whether there would be a mark 5 at Youth Nationals.
- Right decision not to have a social at Draycote after WPNSA; sailors understood and socials' need to be organised by Sailor reps - but not to be "policed". Sailors need to be responsible.

Action: JG to send a note to WPNSA to apologise on behalf of Class (was done on day by SD).

- Prizes - general view was there was a need to diversify it. A suggestion was made to have maybe something more "useful" than trophies. Mugs were suggested.

Action: TC agreed to take over looking after trophies and will create a plan for going forward.

- TC indicated that the WPNSA training was really good.

Dinghy Show - RYA Meeting

SD confirmed there was a meeting with the RYA at the Dinghy Show on Saturday 26th Feb at 4.00 pm. The meeting would be with Ian Walker, Mark Nichols, Duncan West and Jack Grundy.

Action: Committee members to let SD know who would like to attend meeting so that stand could be managed.

Nationals

Concerns were raised by KF re Berwick particularly in relation to the risk assessment and liability needing to be the Class not the club (or joint).

Action: JG to speak to them further and come back to the committee with a proposal/solution.

Assets

The Class Rib is currently waiting service. A question was asked as to how we ensure that the assets get to the right place at the right time and for it not to be the responsibility for one person. JG suggested that KF may be able to co-ordinate the assets by drawing up a rota to move things around.

Action: JG to speak to KF to see if she could do a rota. JG to come up with a plan to ensure the assets are able to get to the right place at the right time.

TR confirmed that the axel load is 1,300kg. The rib is 1,100 kg with sails, mast and trailer. TR confirmed it was difficult to take the rest of the equipment without the extra storage of the van. TR advised against loading in rib as this could break the axel.

A question was raised about whether the Class Van should remain with the Rib and what would happen with storage. BR indicated he believed van/rib/boats should all be kept together. CB agreed that keeping the van with the rib/boats meant that more people should be able to drive to events/training as they wouldn't need to use their own cars that might be difficult from weight point of view.

JG confirmed he has somewhere to store all the assets and he was happy to move things around to help the Class out. JG commented that needed to ensure that people helped pack things up at the end of the day so that he wasn't left to do it all (has TR often had)

Action: There was an action that TR would hand the van over to JG at the Dinghy Show and that JG would communicate the need for people to help pack up the rib/boats on a rota.

Dinghy Show

JM confirmed outline for Dinghy Show and members of the committee confirmed their attendance to help out with manning the stand. TR confirmed that he'd speak to North Sales about potentially using one of their sails on be stand boat.

JM indicated that QR codes would be placed on the stands that would direct to the Class Website (new page for Dinghy Show). JM also indicated on the Treasure Hut and all agreed this was beneficial as it ensured traffic.

Action: Planning meeting to be set up for 17th Feb to discuss further (SDG/JM/SD/JG)

Training ahead of Youth Nationals

CB confirmed the issue at the minute was ribs but was working on securing this. A question was asked about who the Class training should be aimed at as the max number was 24 boats. It was agreed that priority should be non Youth Squad boats as they were in Pwllheli the weekend before the Youth Nationals.

Sails

BR advised the committee that the US allow 2+2+2 and that the UK Class could do the same as the Sailing Instructions allow us to do it. BR questioned whether it should be raised with World Sailing but advised his recommendation was that we shouldn't as we could then be forced to change.

BR asked whether Button Numbers could be managed through OurClub Admin?

Action: SDG to look to see if this could be developed.

BR indicated that the Juror had asked whether bow numbers could be added to transoms as this would help when following boats as it wasn't always possible to see the sail numbers.

Action: BR to look at options and how to role this out.

AOB

Mobile Systems

A question was raised as to which was the most appropriate method of communication to use WhatsApp v Telegram v Signal. The committee discussed there were challenges with each and that the priority was to look at minimum age/GDPR and ensuring privacy so that someone couldn't put inappropriate material.

Action: JG to look at options and present to the committee the best option.

The meeting closed at 9.10 pm