



## RS Tera Class Association AGM

Derwent Reservoir Sailing Club Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2014

### MINUTES - Unproved

#### Apologies

Tony and Jaquetta Bracegirdle

#### Minutes of AGM 2014

The minutes of the AGM 2013 were accepted unanimously – Proposed Steve Greenwood  
Seconded Mark Hainsworth

#### Election of Committee Members

Constitutionally Elected:

Retiring: Tony Bracegirdle – Elected Treasurer: Robin Caiger - unopposed

In term: Ian Jameson - Chairman – will retire and not look to undertake a third term at 2015 AGM  
Mark Hainsworth - Vice-Chairman

Volunteer / Contracted committee members:

Ally Jones – Technical

Steve Greenwood – Sponsorship

Sara Pennant – Publicity

Freya Derrick – Child Protection

Lucy Jameson – UK Class Association Secretary

Adam Cockerill – UK Class Head Coach

#### Chairman's Report

The Chairman thanked all current and retiring committee members for their voluntary support of the class, in particular Tony Bracegirdle who will continue to support the committee in an ex-officio role.

The Chairman then thanked the class sponsors without whom the class events would not be as successful as they are, Magic Marine, Selden, and First Rate.

The RS Tera Class is gaining a reputation for polite, well-mannered competitors who clearly love their sailing.

Every Race Officer at major events this year has stood up and said that they have thoroughly enjoyed the event because of your children, be proud of them.

The same race Officers are not so complimentary about other classes, we are all building a strong and healthy reputation.

The class has seen increased turnouts at the majority of events this year, with the Nationals being the first UK event with over 100 sailors taking part.

The Regatta fleet has been a success and will be repeated at the 2015 National Championships

The Chairman then stated that his intention is to retire and not look to undertake a third term at 2015 AGM and called for members to consider that the Chairman and other roles would need to be recruited at the 2015 AGM.

### **Treasurers Report**

A full trading report was not presented at the AGM due to the absence of the Treasurer however it was reported that reserves at the end of the season were estimated to be £5,000

### **Training / Events 2015**

National squad training will be managed by a new team of coaches with the focus on giving our sailors the range of skills to enable them to compete more successfully in the RS Tera and to give them the tools to enable them to compete on a more equal footing when moving into their next fleet.

APRIL 25 & 26 Start of Season Championships – Northampton Sailing Club

JUNE 20 & 21 Inland Championships – Oxford Sailing Club

JULY 24 to 30 World Championships – Bruinisse Holland

AUGUST 28 to 31 National Championships – Weymouth

OCTOBER 31 & 1 NOVEMBER End of Season Championships – Datchet Water Sailing Club

### **Date and venue for AGM 2015**

The date and venue for the AGM 2015 confirmed as Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> August at the RS Tera National Championships at Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy

### **Other Business**

A proposed rule change was presented by Ian Jameson and Ally Jones to allow the additional use of a sliding ring or shackle on the mainsheet bridle as this alternative to a block does not twist, does not fall over quarters, will not scratch deck and is a lower cost alternative.

Robbie Wilson questioned whether you would still be able to use the original set up, Ally Jones responded that this proposed rule change offered an additional option.

Bernard Clark asked whether this set up was legal at the moment; Ian Jameson responded that it was not.

Jennie Clark asked whether this had been trialled and did it work?

Ally Jones responded that he had rigged a boat up with this proposed system and that it had stopped twisting, stopped the mainsheet falling over the windward corner, allowed the mainsheet block to slide along the traveller more efficiently and that this proposed system was lower cost and less damaging to hulls than the existing allowed options.

A vote was taken and the following rule change proposal was unanimously accepted to be taken to the International RS Tera Class Association for consideration:

C.9.2 (c) The mainsheet bridle may be arranged with the mainsheet fixed at the centre or attached to a free running block, **sliding ring or shackle** on the bridle which may be attached to the block for the mainsheet. If a free running block, **sliding ring or shackle** is used no knots or stops may be added to prevent it from running the full width of the bridle. The length of the mainsheet bridle may be adjusted, but not during a race.