

**2019 BUSA Annual General Meeting
Applications for Committee Roles, plus Statements**

Name	Committee Role interested in	University	Current year	Studying	Graduation year
Contested Roles					
Abby West	Vice Chair	Loughborough University	3rd	Sport and Exercise Science	2020
Niall Tutt	Vice Chair	Brunel University	3rd	Electrical Engineering	2020
Hebe Hemming	Match Racing Officer	University of Portsmouth	2nd	Sport and Exercise Science	2020
George Haynes	Match Racing Officer	Newcastle University	3rd	Marine Technology with Yachts and Small Craft	2020

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Joshua Speakman-Lowe	Media Officer	Sheffield Hallam University	2nd	Politics	2020
Harry Bowerman	Media Officer	Bangor	2nd	Sport Science	2020
Uncontested Roles					
Karen Thomas	Chair	University of Cambridge	3rd	PhD Public Health & Primary Care	2020
Joe Penhaul Smith	Development Officer	Highlands and Islands	3rd PhD	PhD marine biotechnology	2020
Matt Goodbourn	Honorary Treasurer	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Emily Hill	Scottish Area Chair	University of St Andrews	3rd	Chemistry	2021
Kieran Graham	Northern Area Chair	Newcastle University	2nd	Marine Technology with Offshore Engineering	2021

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Nicole Ames	Team Racing Officer	Solent University Southampton	2nd	Yacht Design and Production	2020
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Name	Experience: Why would you be a great committee member? What sailing, committee and leadership experience do you have?	Proposer	Seconded
Abby West	I've really enjoyed taking an active role as the Development Officer in 2018-19 and have learnt lots about the challenges and opportunities that running student sailing presents. This year hasn't been easy, but I believe that I've embraced the challenge and feel that progress has been made with BUSA Development. The Sailor Survey gave us plenty of important insight and opened our eyes to several areas in which we could improve. Addressing some of these, such as building the BUSA communication channels with the new official BUSA Facebook page and email updates, helping to promote training for beginners and coaches, and supporting the team race training events has been a steep learning curve but very rewarding. I have the enthusiasm, experience and commitment to continue driving for improvement that the Vice Chair will require, and I'd love to support the Chair to build a better BUSA for 2019-20 and beyond.	Elysia Dooley, Loughborough	Karen Thomas, Cambridge
Niall Tutt	I have experience in running the Badger at Brunel and have made it the most profitable event the club has held in the last two years. Being reasonably new to sailing I feel I would bring an interesting dynamic to the team on how to attract new sailors and training for rookies to the sport.	Hunter Warden (Brunel)	Ben Luto (Brunel)
Hebe Hemming	I feel I would be suitable for this role, due to having a large amount of match racing experience, therefore I know how to ensure the smooth running of events. I currently hold a role on the BUSA committee as the Women's Captain and also hold the role of Commodore at my university club for the coming year, as well as being Captain on the committee last year. On top of this Portsmouth are unable to send a team so I will be able to attend the Match Racing Championships as an organiser rather than a sailor. Being involved in the match racing circuit will enable me to help provide opportunities for sailors who are interested in doing match racing. I have good time management and organisation skills, and am passionate about match racing, hence my drive to get more people involved in match racing.	Neil Marshall / University of Plymouth	Nicole Ames / Southampton Solent
George Haynes	Since coming to university, I have spent my last 3 years taking part in match racing events, most recently winning the third RYA Winter Match Racing event in Weymouth. I have also been on the Newcastle University Sailing Club committee for the past two years, acting as treasurer for the last year, so am used to responsibility and have experience working as part of a team. Over my past year as Northern Area Representative, I gained an insight into the inner-workings of BUSA, and understood the importance of the committee members working to ensure a successful year, and lay the foundations for those to come. I also greatly enjoyed running both the northern qualifiers and playoffs, and having attended several match racing events I am familiar with the structure, and those who have helped run such high calibre events in the past.	Joe Burns / Bristol University	Will Hawkins / Newcastle University

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Joshua Speakman-Lowe	I have for many years, been involved in various committee roles in both sailing clubs and other organisations, along with showing strong leadership and organisation as Head Boy of my School. I have been the commodore of Sheffield Hallam University SC for the past year and have been on the committee of Pennine SC respectively. I have sailed in all forms of racing notably team racing and fleet racing and I am dedicated Firefly sailor outside of University. Since joining various forms of Social Media, I have always kept up to date with sailing organisations, different classes of boats and I have a strong network of people throughout the sailing world and notably in many universities the length of the country. I have a good knowledge and understanding how the various forms of media work and how to use them along with and exceptional knowledge of sailing and understanding of how university sailing clubs are run.	Iona Smith - University of Nottingham	Isabella Martindale - Sheffield Hallam University
Harry Bowerman	I've spent the past two years on the BUSA Committee as the Keelboat officer, during that time I've taken pictures of the Yacting and Match Racing Nationals. I've greatly enjoyed doing this and feel that I could lend my skill sets to a broader range of university sailing. Having been on the committee for the past two years I've gained a good understanding of BUSA's innerworkings and how it will change over the coming year. I'd also like to push for more write ups from all uni sailing events so all clubs have a chance to show off their hard work.	Martha Hall/Bangor	Danni Thompson/Bang or
Karen Thomas	Over the past 7 years I've been part of 3 USCs and elected into positions of responsibility within each. I have experience running and facilitating development in a club new to the BUSA system right up to a fully established, highly performing USC. Last year I was Midlands Area Representative and improved communication channels through use of a new facebook group, emails and face to face information delivery. I ran the area's first development event and qualifiers which were both successful and on track to continue evolving. The ability to influence and drive change through my presence on the national committee was a privilege and role I believe I filled with ease. With my experience leading USC committees and leading a clinical team alongside my PhD I'm well placed to lead meetings, guide dialogue with external organisations and provide an experienced face of BUSA in this period of change.	Michael Stephens/Unive rsity of Birmingham	Abby West/Loughboro ugh University
Joe Penhaul Smith	I am one of the few people in the UK who have built a university sailing club. In the last 3 years I have taken a club from birth, to hosting SSS Women's 2018. Furthermore, I am one half of a travelling boat repair course, which previously worked with UHI to great effect. We achieved £1100 worth of repairs, made a profit for UHI and upskilled 8 sailing club members to be better able to care for their own boats. Prior to UHI I did my undergrad at Newcastle University, where I was the Bosun and social sailing sec. I have a unique amount and range of experience in the student sailing world.	Abbey West/ Loughborough	Iona Smith/ Nottingham
Matt Goodbourn	Used to run Durham SC as President. NU. Training to be a chartered accountant.	Chris Lindsay	Emily Robertson
Emily Hill	I have been the Secretary for Scottish Student Sailing last year and would love to represent Scotland down south.	Sophie Taylor	James Logan
Kieran Graham	Having (nearly) completed two years of university sailing I can honestly say it has been a huge part of my university life. I competed in team racing finals in 2018 and will again compete this year. Having attended these BUSA events I know how much work and effort goes into the organisation and I am keen to get involved and help others experience the joy from university sailing that I have had the honour to receive. I am team captain this year at Newcastle and have therefore experienced a leadership role within the club and want to take this further.	George Haynes / Newcastle	Tom Clayton / Newcastle

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Nicole Ames	After being within BUSA for two years, I feel this has put me in a good stead in understanding the process with organising Team Racing Events and what helps to make things run smoothly. I'm always 100% passionate with any task passed onto me. I feel I would be a great mentor to the area reps, giving them advice and guidance where needed. I was Commodore of Solent University Sailing Club for a year and a half and this has provided me with great leadership skills and also to be a voice of reason. I have competed in numerous circuits within yachting on the Solent and have also competed for the University for the past 3 years (match racing, yachting and team racing) , where I have gained knowledge not only within the specifics of University sailing but also the logistics behind to help people get the best experience out of their University sailing possible.	Oliver Goodhead - Solent University	Hebe Hemming - Portsmouth University
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