

# **Minutes of the British University Sailing Association AGM held at Chew Valley Lake Sailing Club on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2004**

## **Present**

Johnny Blackburn  
Helen Brown  
Ben Field  
Helen Grundy  
Georgie Hill  
Mark Lees  
Jessica Mapplebeck  
George Whitefield

## **1. Apologies**

Diego Frangi  
Simon Hamilton  
James Holmes  
Andy Lewin  
Jemima Marshall  
Helen Mayhew  
Jim Saltonstall  
Martin Smethers  
Kate Todd

## **2. Accounts – Mark Lees**

This year there have been 44 university clubs subscribe to BUSA, which is up on last year. The income from this has helped to pay for the website to be upgraded. As subs were 'frozen' last year at £135, Mark now proposes to raise the subs to £140 per annum.

This was passed with unanimous vote.

## **3. Fleet Racing Report – George Whitefield**

Both the Fleet Racing events [Nationals and Inlands] went well this year. Both events are being planned again for next year. The Nationals will be at Weymouth and Portland Sailing Academy on the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend of November. We are currently looking for bids for someone to host the Inlands, as Grafham is unable to host it next year.

The Indoor Team Racing at the London Boat Show was a great success, and enjoyed by all who took part. We are looking into how to change it into a BUSA event next year. Keep an eye on the website for updates on this.

#### **4. Team Racing Reports**

- **Men's Captain's Report – Ben Field**

The Team went on the American Tour last September to defend the title. The outcome was a draw. The American Team will be coming to the UK in Summer 2005, therefore a team will need to be selected (next term), and events need to be set up. All bids and interests need to be sent to Jessica Mapplebeck as soon as possible.

An entry has been entered and accepted into the Wilson Trophy. The selected team members will be posted on the BUSA website in due course.

- **Ladies Captain's Report – Helen Brown**

No team was entered into the Ladies National Team Racing Championship, as not enough CV's were received in time for the event.

They have also not been successful with their entry for the Wilson Trophy.

Helen is planning to enter a BUSA Team into the Ladies Match Racing Championships. If anyone is interested, please could they e-mail Helen Brown [h\_brown3@yahoo.com].

Training will be organised for the team and a tour might be possible later this year.

- **SUSA Report – Clare Henderson (on behalf of Andy Lewin)**

The Scottish Team racing is doing well. They have lots of teams and lots of racing. Their Team racing Championship went well, with 'old boys' teams and 2 English teams entering (they are happy for more English teams to go next year). Their Yachting Nationals also went well, and there are 2 teams going to the Student Yachting Worlds [Strathclyde – last years winners, and Glasgow].

- **ANUSC Report – Georgie Hill**

ANUSC has had a successful year. Their qualifiers have had problems with bad weather, but all ran successfully in the end. Training days were also organised at West Kirby with coaches.

- **WUSC Report – George Whitefield (on behalf of Jemima Marshall)**

The Welsh qualifier went ok. However they are still having problems connecting and contacting the North and South universities. If anyone knows how to resolve this, please contact the WUSC rep.

- **SUSC Report – Helen Grundy**

All qualifiers went well.

## **5. Yachting Report – George Whitefield (on behalf of Diego Frangi)**

The Yachting Nationals were held in Portsmouth this year run by Portsmouth University and RORC. This was a big success, Impression Sailing [Southampton Institute] were the winners! Portsmouth have announced that they will not be bidding to host the event next year. We are currently looking for someone to bid, however the event needs to be in the Solent, so that we can use the Sunsail yachts.

## **6. Website – George Whitefield**

As the website has been upgraded this year, and we have plans to develop it further, please use it!

## **7. Next Year's Committee**

As many of the committee are leaving there are 11 posts that need filling.

### **A. Public Relations Officer**

#### **Steve Gibson [Exeter University]**

Proposed – Ian Metain

Seconded – Natalie Lloyd

Passed with unanimous vote

### **B. Treasurer**

#### **Helen White [Bristol University]**

Proposed – Jess Makey

Seconded – Susie Short

Passed with unanimous vote

### **C. Team Racing Co-ordinator**

**Susie Short [Bristol University]**

Proposed – Athol King

Seconded – Jess Makey

Passed with unanimous vote

### **D. Ladies Captain**

**Gemma Farrell [Cambridge University]**

Proposed – Helen Brown

Seconded – Chris Dodds

Passed with unanimous vote

### **E. Men's Captain**

**Athol King [Bristol University]**

Proposed – Susie Short

Seconded – Jess Makey

Passed with unanimous vote

### **F. Chairman**

**Ed Males [Southampton University]**

Proposed – Nick Cherry

Seconded – James Roche

Passed with unanimous vote

### **G. Area Representatives**

Scotland – **Clare Henderson [Glasgow University]**

ANUSC – **Emily Laurie [Nottingham University]**

Southern Rep – **Dave Stead [Southampton University]**

Welsh Rep – **Hester Robertson [Cardiff University]**

### **H. Positions still to fill**

Yachting Convenor

## **8. AOB**

### **Playoffs – Clare Henderson SUSA**

Request that the playoffs be held further north so that Scottish teams can actually get to the event. GW/ML/BF – The travel costs would be too much to make all the southern universities travel up to the north for the playoffs.

### **Bids**

Bids for the events need to be in by the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2004. Please can clubs let Jess Mapplebeck know if they are interested.

### **Fleet Racing Worlds**

Fleet racing in 470s, Lasers and Europe's [All Male/Female teams only] are to be held next year as part of the World Student Games 2005. For more information please contact Jess Mapplebeck at the RYA.