

THE BUSA COMMITTEE WILL MEET ON TUESDAY 12TH JANUARY 2021

VIA SKYPE CALL- 18:30 HRS

Committee Meeting Agenda

Attendees: Karen Thomas, Abby West, Rebecca Coles, Iona Smith, Peter Saxton, Jess Beecher, Nicole Ames, Ailsa Muskett, Jenny Cropley, Emma Hartley, Daniel Fox, Jamie Webb, Emily Hill, Pippa Cropley, Kate Ledgard, William Cunliffe, Patrick Croghan, Jess Harman, Hannah Peters, Hugh Braidwood.

Actions:

JW- Ensure clubs are aware of BUSAs decision to cancel TR Qualifiers by helping HP write a news article and email for the membership.

JW- Co-ordinate bringing a subcommittee together for a potential summer BUSA event.

EH - Consider committee role description/ interviews on the channels to promote committee recruitment.

EH - Publicise Virtual RYA Dinghy Show and new administrator media.

AW - Create Partnership tendering process for the Keelboat courses partner. Requests for partnerships can be added as an article to the RYA Magazine – draft article text for this.

AW - Carry out membership consultation on a Match Racing development event in 2021/22.

PC - Chat to AW/EH about potential Diversity webinar.

RC - Inform entered teams from Yachting that the event has been cancelled.

Area Chairs - Let universities know about the Fairview deal, detailed in recent Yachting article.

Committee - Ksail partnership push by committee to help promote.

Committee - Proactively recruit for committee positions ahead of AGM including Area Chairs holding end of year Area Meetings to decide next years replacement.

Alumni Sub-committee - Launch Alumni Membership in February and create actions to take forward.

Development Sub-committees - Create handover/21-22 guide for individuals taking over in April.

	Item	Lead
1.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Notified; None	KT
2.	<u>Notifications of AOB</u> - Committee Recruitment - Discover University Sailing_ RYA initiative - Jess Beecher	KT
3.	Minutes from the last committee meeting accepted.	KT

4.	<p><u>Covid update</u></p> <p>RYA has suspended all racing until 1st March. The committee is encouraged to maintain a positive attitude during a very tough time. Championship updates are given below.</p>	KT
5.	<p><u>Area Chair Update</u></p> <p>Scotland - Emily Hill</p> <p>Virtual Yachting Coaching was very successful, SSS are going to do this for the other disciplines.</p> <p>North - Pippa Cropley</p> <p>The region has been in lockdown for a very long time. Questionnaires have been created for Universities which do and don't have sailing teams. The Questionnaire asks for information around developing a USC and what help they need to start forming a USC. The Questionnaire for current USC's asks about areas in their club which are successful and areas which are not so successful. This will give the future area chairs a good background of the region</p> <p>An area chair email address for the north has been created.</p> <p>Midland - Kate Ledgaard</p> <p>The region has been in lockdown for a very long time. Kate has been working on an event specific sustainability guide.</p> <p>West - Will Cunliffe</p> <p>Will hosted a consultation with Western clubs around the TR programme. Will is looking into ways to bring the region together this term, adding it would be a shame to go into next year with a loss in regional cohesion.</p> <p>Eastern - Patrick Croghan</p> <p>Patrick has been communicating with regional captains. UEA are going to run a virtual regatta series. He is looking for ideas to bring the region together and engage sailors, this could be a national or regional virtual competition.</p> <p>South - Jess Harmon</p> <p>Little sailing other than Solent on a J70 pre Christmas. The Winter warmer has been cancelled. Jess is looking to organise a captains meeting with the development chair.</p> <p><u>Discipline Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fleet Racing - Daniel Fox <p>There was a strong number of entries for Fleets before we had to postpone the event due to lockdown. We are still looking for a new date but with such uncertainty on lockdown we are unable to confirm a new date. It is advised this is likely to be summer time.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Team Racing - Jamie Webb <p>Playoffs and Qualifiers have been cancelled. Club consultation was completed, choosing Option A. However, following further sub committee discussion, agreement has been made with the Team Racing TDs that Team Racing will not run over the Easter period.</p>	AC's DO's

	<p>Jamie asks for the committee's opinion on a summer 'festival of sailing' event to kickstart university sailing. There is space in the sailing calendar during the first week of July when BUSA could coordinate a multi discipline sailing event around summer sail weeks and graduations. Will : Summer sail weeks over the summer should be considered. Karen : This would be a good way to kickstart university sailing again. Rebecca: It is a fastnet year so there maybe a lot going on from a keelboat perspective Jamie: This would not be a BUCS event so we could open the rules to allow graduates of this year. TD's would support capacity, scalability of the event and entry requirements. A sub-committee will be brought together to start organising/ planning this. This could be opened to Alumni too.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Match Racing - Abby West <p>RYA are planning on hosting the Championship as planned. Entries will open at the end of the month. Development events - Abby has been having promising conversations with Royal Corinthian SC who run match racing events using 707's. Abby will be floating this idea with Universities to see if there is interest for a development event, we would need 6+ interested teams to run this. Dates: Spring/ Summer OR Autumn There are limited locations who can host Match Racing. Corinthian are able to offer a financially viable development option. There is an under 19 yrs old Match Racing event being planned by the RYA in June. This would be good for first years, new to Match Racing.</p> <p>Kate : Scarborough sail 707's and would like to get more uni sailors involved. Scarborough has run a RYA league event in the past Jess Beecher has a contact there.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keelboating - Rebecca Cole <p>Rebecca hosted a captains meeting with USC keelboat officers. The outcome of this highlighted the value in keelboat coaching, either on the water but also virtually. She has looked at the RS21 calendar for this year, there is availability mid-week at various locations for this fleet to be utilised. She has also discussed collaborating with BKA on training resources.</p> <p>PS- Championship update: There is a possibility we will be able to sail by the Championship but accommodation onboard will not be allowed. The event seems high risk so the committee made the decision to cancel the event this year.</p> <p>Rebecca has asked RYA about access to the BKA training videos. These videos will be launched with the RYA new website in February.</p>	
6.	<p><u>Development</u></p> <p>Development Update - Development National report has been circulated.</p> <p>Alumni Membership - Launch date of this membership is the end of the month, there is an article within the next RYA Magazine and a new webpage.</p> <p>Sustainability/Green Blue Challenge - The webinar in November was successful. University sailability challenge details have been changed so it is achievable within the pandemic restrictions. Kate has been working on an event specific guide with discipline officers.</p>	IS/ NA/ KL/KT

	<p>WINSS - Committee recruitment has been completed. There are now 4 sub-groups to work on different areas; representation of women in uni sailing, the one year plan, future planning and media. There are a number of development areas which the committee are looking at which includes running some Women's specific events in the summer months. Gender participation data is needed.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Treasurer Update</u></p> <p>Outstanding USC membership invoices from : UEA, Oxford Brookes, London, Kent, Bangor, Hallam, Surrey, Sussex.</p>	JC
8.	<p><u>Media Update</u></p> <p>Emma is setting up a media plan for 2021. Emma is keen to do a media push across all channels and is looking for inspiration from the committee. Emma is asked to advertise the virtual dinghy show.</p>	EHa
9.	<p><u>Notified Any Other Business</u></p> <p>Committee Recruitment - Karen requests feedback from the committee about the two Vice President (VP) roles within the committee and if BUSA should instead have one VP position . A change to the committee would need to be approved and changed in the Constitution. BUSA is trying to regionalise the committee in the future which will reduce the size of the executive committee.</p> <p>Committee recruitment period is coming up very quickly. Karen suggests a captains meeting per region to discuss the area chair role. Karen has meetings with the area chairs coming up.</p> <p>Emily Hill suggests bringing together videos of what the role consists of 'what we do' .</p> <p>AGM is earlier this year, we are only one month away from opening committee recruitment. The committee is asked to be proactive about recruiting new committee members. It is suggested Area Development officer roles would open at the start of next year.</p> <p>Discover University Sailing_ RYA initiative - Jess Beecher A new RYA initiative to support University sailing- the RYA are looking at bringing together resources to engage more sailors into University sailing. They would offer cash prizes for different categories including introducing a Rookies fleet at the fleet racing championship and creating resources for clubs to recruit more members.</p>	KT
10.	<p><u>Meeting Dates for the coming year:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 9th March 2021 (Skype or Zoom) - 30th March 2021 AGM (Zoom) 	HP