

**MINUTES OF THE AGM OF THE BRITISH UNIVERSITIES SAILING ASSOCIATION
HELD ON THE 11TH APRIL 2000 AT WEST RIDING SAILING CLUB.**

BUSA Officers present:

Simon Hamilton	Chairman
Lizzie Edwards	Ladies Captain
James Brace	ANUSC Rep
Nick Bubb	Team Racing Co-ordinator
Caroline Ellis	Welsh Rep
Lorna Pelly	Welsh Rep
JP McCaldin	SUSA Rep
Ali Sutherland	Yachting Convenor
Nicole Johnson	SUCS Rep
Christian Hamilton	Mens Captain
Harry Pynn	Treasurer

University Club members Present:

BRISTOL: Tom Halhead
Bevis Field
Justin Hall
Chris Priest
Nick Charles
John Blackburn

NEWCASTLE: Anna Davenport
Karen Baker

CARDIFF: Jon Rix
Neil Baker
Liam Murray
Bryony Percy
Jo Carr
Susan Ogg
Megan Griffiths

BIRMINGHAM: Rhys Triffitt
Simon RJ
Julia Camm
Tina Mackie
Kate Gillow
Katie Savage
Eve Finney
Andy Leedale

CAMBRIDGE: Rob Sherrington
Becca O'Brien
Archie Massey
Erin Delaney
Tom Hebbert
Rich Guy
Giles Bradford
Jon Fish
Rich Keeton
Jamie Reid
Ari Liddle
Anya Tremlett
Rachel Franks
Helen Farr
Alison Hancock
Sarah Brewster

DURHAM:	Andy Helme Mark Blackwell Rachel Thompson	EXETER:	Sam Woodcock Coral Chaplin Steve Jones Lucy Gilliam Humphrey Carter
EDINBURGH:	Richard Knight Ross Roberts Ed Grant Stuart Gardener Caroline Bowen James Bowen	IMPERIAL:	Tim Granger Alex Jones Ian Priest Matthew Clegg
LONDON:	Mark Campbell James John Pegrum Chris Guy Phil Goodwin	MANCHESTER:	J Pryde D Green C Bayliss Kelly Glamon Shem Parry Beth Tarry Lizzy Byrne Mark Anstics Steve Woodward Rob Elsey Rob Cawer Veronica Bartlett
OXFORD:	Jemima Hardman Janet Nettleship		
LEEDS:	Lloyd Wood John Crods Mike Arsey		
STRATHCLYDE:	Suzie Blair Lynda Garman Nichola Walker Stephanie Waterman Gillian Hendry Lisa Norman Shona Jack	NOTTINGHAM:	Chris Dodds Ali Barker Rich Lees David Everett Si Stanbridge James Date
SOUTHAMPTON:	Sarah Procter Georgie Corlett Claire Wood Simon Shaw Dom Johnson Owen Modral Ali McIowd Libby Greenhaulgh		

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Steph Calvin, Barney Smith and Sasha Karakusevic.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

These were approved.

3. Chairman's Report

Simon Hamilton reported that he had enjoyed a successful and progressive 2 years as Chairman during which BUSA had achieved a much more professional outlook and image. The Team Racing working party was now in it's second year and a good system was now established. The working party is comprised of the 4 area reps and headed by the Team Racing Co-ordinator.

The RYA would be introducing an autumn training camp for sailors leaving the Youth Squad and going to University to introduce them to team racing..

The Match Racing Championships are still under the control of the RYA and we hope this will expand over the coming years.

The Yachting Nationals continued to be successful and had a regular format which made the running of the event very easy. This involves Race Management by RORC, boats provided by Sunsail and general admin and overseeing by the host university.

The Team Racing Championships had been very well put together by Leeds University given the difficulties of the location and facilities, all credit to Steve Cumley.

Simon reported that development work with the British University Sports Association was continuing and that hopefully a great amount of progress would occur over the next year in terms of getting BUSA recognition for the existing Championships.

The website has been re-vamped by George Counsell who we thank. The website has been advertised and should hopefully be a central point for all University sailors over the next year and help to eliminate the long standing communication problems.

Simon thanked the 1999/2000 Committee for all their hard work. He also thanked Tessa Pelly, the BUSA/RYA secretary for putting in a lot of work towards the development of BUSA.

4. Ladies Captains report

Lizzie Edwards reported that during the year she had organised the following activities: A successful training weekend at Spinnaker run with Christian Hamilton. This was popular and it was hoped that this would run again next year. They also send a BUSA ladies team to the Ladies Team Racing Nationals. This consisted of Lizzie Edwards, Nicole Johnson and Libby Greenhaulgh. The team won the event.

5. Mens Captains report

6. Treasurers report

Attached

7. Elections

Chairman: Stuart Robinson	Proposed:Simon Hamilton	Seconded:JP McCaldin
Vice President: Joe Llewellyn	Proposed: Sasha Karakusevis	Seconded:Lorna Pelly
Vice President: Simon Hamilton	Proposed:Nick Bubb	Seconded: Caroline Ellis
Mens Captain: Mark C J	Proposed:Christian Hamilton	Seconded:Lizzie Edwards
Ladies Captain: Ari Liddle	Proposed:Lizzie Edwards	Seconded:Christian Hamilton
Team Racing Co: Jon Fish	Proposed:Nick Bubb	Seconded:Harry Pynn
Treasurer: Caroline Ellis	Proposed:Lorna Pelly	Seconded:Simon Hamilton

8. Matters for discussion

Championship format

Archie Massey raised the issue of having a Gold League at the BUSA Championships. Many options were discussed in view of this including the following:

- Seeding from mini-leagues completed on the 1st day.
- Gold, Silver and Bronze leagues, how would these be seeded, would the bronze league be able to win?

This was voted upon and there was no decisive answer. It was decided that the Committee would put together a working group to discuss and decide upon this.

Mark Campbell James asked whether it would be possible for the Universities that had reached the quarter finals the previous year to bypass the qualifier system and get an automatic place to the finals.

It was thought that teams were often very different from one year to the next and that for the general standard of University Team Racing it was better for the poorer teams to race against the stronger teams.

Cost of Events

It was agreed by all present that BUSA should encourage all Universities to limit the entry fees for their events to £130. The running to the racing never cost more than this and socials and

lunches could be charged separately. If the University wished to charge non-University teams more than this they could do.

9. Close of meeting

There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.45pm