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NOTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION COUNCIL.

Saturday, 22nd August, 2015, after Coalporters Regatta.

A Meeting of the Association Council was called on Saturday, 22nd August, 2015 after Coalporters Regatta to confirm the 2015 Hants & Dorset ARA Championships and to select crews to represent the Association at the South Coast Rowing Championships at Wimbleball Lake, Somerset, on the 13th September, 2015.

In attendance was the Association President – Chairman, Martin Bradbeer and Association Secretary - Steve Bull - along with Life Vice Presidents - John Bailey, Denis Woodford, Mark Viner and John Adams when the Association Chairman – Martin Bradbeer – opened the meeting. The following Clubs and Events were also represented – SOUTHSEA, RYDE, SOUTHAMPTON, BTC, ITCHEN, COALPORTERS, LYMINGTON, CHRISTCHURCH, WESTOVER, NEWPORT and POOLE Clubs and Regattas plus the Head of the Stour and Itchen Junior Regatta. Shanklin Rowing Club had given their apologies and there were no representatives present from Worthing Rowing Club. *Note. Swanage Regatta as an Association organised event dose not use its vote.*

Apologies were received from: John Purkess, President; Pete Staddon, Hon. Auditor; Sue Sothcott, Treasurer and Vice Presidents – Alan Wigmore and Keith Warland .

1) Confirmation of Hants & Dorset ARA Champions. The meeting agreed that these were as follows -

Men's Senior Fours – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Coalporters.

Men's Junior Senior Fours – WESTOVER. Runners-up – Poole.

Men's Junior Fours – BTC. Runners-up – Westover

Men's Novice Fours – CHRISTCHURCH. Runners-up – Poole.

Ladies Senior Fours - ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Coalporters and BTC.

Ladies Junior Fours – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Westover.

Ladies Novice Fours – a four-way tie – POOLE, SHANKLIN, SOUTHAMPTON and LYMINGTON.

Masters/Veteran Fours – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Poole.

Ladies Masters Fours – CHRISTCHURCH. Runners-up – BTC.

Men's Senior Pairs – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – BTC.

Men's Junior Pairs - WESTOVER. Runners-up –Southsea and BTC.

Ladies Senior Pairs – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Won all available points.

Ladies Junior Pairs - WESTOVER. Runners-up – BTC.

Men's Senior Sculls – Tom Foad of ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Mark Wardell of Itchen and Richard Hume of BTC.

Men's Junior Sculls – A tie – with four point a piece between Joe Fuccio of NEWPORT and Joe Murry of SHANKLIN – which would be the subject of a row-off for the Championship.

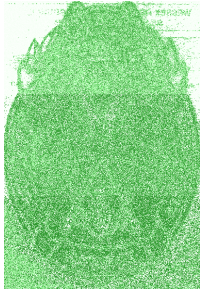
Men's Novice Sculls – SHANKLIN. Runners-up –Southampton.

Ladies Senior Sculls - Jess Bull of ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – R. McGregor-Ritchie of ITCHEN.

Ladies Junior Sculls – Katie Crane of POOLE. Runners-up – Townly of Itchen, Green of BTC and Webb of Newport.

Ladies Novice Sculls – BTC. Runners-up – Itchen Imperial.

The arrangements for the row-off for the Men's Junior Sculls Championship between Fuccio of Newport and Murry of Shanklin was then discussed with the meeting agreeing to the proposal agreed between the two Club that the row-off should take place at Dock Head, Southampton on Sunday, 23rd August with the Scullers Meeting at the B TC Clubhouse at 10.00am. Arrangements for their Sculls to be at that location had already been made – and Denny Woodford agreed to organise the independent race officials – and Itchen would provide safety & umpires boats.



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Subsequent report received from Denny Woodford on row-off – “The row-off took place this morning at 11 a.m. with John Bailey, Max Maxwell and myself officiating. The start position was at dock head and there were two safety boats in attendance for the duration of the race. Newport established an early lead and held it until the oil jetty when Shanklin responded and at Ocean Village had pulled back and opened a two length lead, finishing at the Itchen Bridge with a four length lead. As a result Joe Murry is declared Hants & Dorset ARA Men’s Junior Sculling Champion.

2) The meeting then considered if the Association will enter 3rd crews in Championship events if SCC Rule 25 (B) is invoked. This rule states –

(b) If one of the Associations cannot fulfil their full representation, even if the Association can only submit one crew in any one status, then the other two Associations may enter an additional crew in that status without charge. The Association that cannot fulfil their representation must try to give the other two Associations as much notice as possible, being not later than the closing date of entries for the Championship of their failure to fulfil.

The meeting agreed that if invoked and if the Association had an appropriate and qualifying club crew that wanted to take up the opportunity they could so - but no Club crew would be forced to or be penalised if they did not wish to. The meeting agreed that, where possible they should agree at “stand-by” crew in case this situation did happen.

3) The Associations representative crews for the South Coast Championship Regatta were agreed as follows -
MENS SENIOR. ITCHEN IMPERIAL and COALPORTERS. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

MENS JUNIOR SENIOR – WESTOVER and POOLE. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

MENS JUNIOR – BTC and WESTOVER. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

LADIES SENIOR – ITCHEN and COALPORTERS. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

Note: Coalporters and BTC on equal points (1) – but BTC declined due to crew issues.

LADIES JUNIOR – ITCHEN and WESTOVER. Stand-by Club/Crew – COALPORTERS nominated.

MASTERS/VETERAN 40 – ITCHEN and POOLE – after a discussion regarding BTC’s right to a place as the “in-form” crew for which there is precedent. However after discussion and on a proposal from Steve Bull, seconded by Ray Murphy the meeting voted and agreed that Itchen and Poole should be the selected crews – and agreed that BTC should be the stand-by Club/Crew.

In the event of SCC Rule 25B being invoked if either CARA or WEARA failed to nominate all their representative crews in any Championship Event – the stand-by Clubs/Crews would be invited to represent the Association but could decline the opportunity without penalty. *Subsequent to the meeting Coalporters advised that they could not fulfil the rules regarding selection for their Ladies Junior Crew nominated for a stand-by place and have withdrawn.*

4) Any Other relevant Business -

i) The Association Secretary briefed the meeting on the situation with regards to the Championships in CARA and WEARA – as far as he was aware – but had received no information from either since mid-season so the information was well out of date. It was anticipated that at least CARA would be providing a full quota of 12 Championship crews – although both CARA and WEARA still had events to complete.

They’re being no other business the meeting closed at around 8.00pm with thanks to the Coalporters Rowing Club for their hospitality.

Steve Bull. Association Secretary.

