

# Hants & Dorset Amateur Rowing Association.

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## **NOTES FROM THE MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION COUNCIL.**

**Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2017, after Bournemouth Regatta.**

A Meeting of the Association Council was called on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2017 after Bournemouth Regatta to confirm the 2017 Hants & Dorset ARA Championships and to select crews to represent the Association at the South Coast Rowing Championships at Dorney Lake, Eton, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2017.

In attendance was the Association President – Chairman, Martin Bradbeer, President Pete Staddon and Association Secretary - Steve Bull - along with Life Vice Presidents - Denis Woodford, John Purkess and Ted Shergold, when the Association Chairman – Martin Bradbeer – opened the meeting. The following Clubs and Events were also represented – SOUTHSEA, RYDE, SOUTHAMPTON, BTC, ITCHEN, COALPORTERS, LYMINGTON, SHANKLIN, CHRISTCHURCH, WESTOVER and POOLE Clubs and Regattas plus the Head of the Stour and Itchen Junior Regatta. There were no representatives present from NEWPORT, DOLPHIN or WORTHING Rowing Clubs.  
*Note. Swanage Regatta as an Association organised event dose not use its vote.*

Apologies were received from: Life Vice President John Bailey & Treasurer Sue Sothcott.

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

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

Men's Junior Senior Fours – CHRISTCHURCH. Runners-up – BTC.

Men's Junior Fours – ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Bournemouth.

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

*Subsequent to the meeting it emerged that the winning Christchurch crew at Bournemouth Regatta had an unregistered oarsman and the point was withheld resulting in this championship being shared between CHRISTCHURCH and BTC.*

Ladies Senior Fours - COALPORTERS. Runners-up – Southampton and Newport.

Ladies Junior Fours – RYDE. Runners-up – Itchen Imperial.

Ladies Novice Fours – BOURNEMOUTH. Runners-up – Itchen Imperial.

Masters/Veteran Fours – POOLE. Runners-up – Itchen and Coalporters.

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

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

Men's Junior Pairs - ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up –Bournemouth.

Ladies Senior Pairs – LYMINGTON. Runners-up – Coalporters.

Ladies Junior Pairs - SHANKLIN. Runners-up – Poole.

Men's Senior Sculls – James Foad of ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Alex Robertson of Shanklin and Adam Ratcliffe of BTC.

Men's Junior Sculls – Jack Rose of CHRISTCHURCH. Runner-up – Dale Buckett of Ryde.

Men's Novice Sculls – SOUTHSEA. Runners-up –Poole.

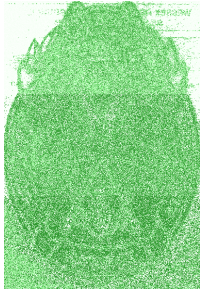
Ladies Senior Sculls - Jess Bull of ITCHEN IMPERIAL. Runners-up – Katie Crane of Poole.

Ladies Junior Sculls – Faithfull of SHANKLIN. Won all points awarded. No Runners-up.

Ladies Novice Sculls – NEWPORT, RYDE and POOLE. Shared Championship.

As a result of the above there were no H&D Championship row-off's required.

2) The meeting then considered if the Association will enter 3<sup>rd</sup> crews in Championship events if SCC Rule 23 is invoked. This rules atates –



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*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 a "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 as Champions and BTC as Runners-up proposed and agreed by the meeting.  
Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

MENS JUNIOR SENIOR – CHRISTCHURCH as Champions and BTC as Runners-up proposed. Itchen argued that their crew and was their Junior Championship crew, which had one win should be given a row-off against BTC for the 2<sup>nd</sup> place and after some discussion an amendment to the proposal was made to this effect. The amendment was rejected by the meeting and the original proposal was agreed. Itchen Imperial were offered and accepted the opportunity to be the Stand-by Club/Crew if a third slot became available.

MENS JUNIOR – ITCHEN IMPERIAL as Champions and BOURNEMOUTH as Runners-up proposed and agreed by the meeting. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated.

LADIES SENIOR – COALPORTERS as Champions and SOUTHAMPTON as Runners-up proposed and agreed by the meeting. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated. Note: Newport had one win along with Southampton – but had not entered the open, were not represented at the meeting and it was the understanding of some of the meeting that the crew did not meet the Championship entry requirements so they were not considered.

LADIES JUNIOR – RYDE as Champions and ITCHEN as runners-up proposed and agreed by the meeting. Stand-by Club/Crew – none nominated

MASTERS/VETERAN 40 – POOLE as Champions with a row-off between the runners-up – COALPORTERS and ITCHEN proposed – with the loser being offered the likely 3<sup>rd</sup> spot. Poole proposed that their "B" crew should be included in any row-off – due to their win at Bournemouth and six 2<sup>nd</sup> places. However much of the meeting disagreed with this proposal as Poole as Champions already had a place and could put out the crew of their choice as long as they met the criteria. After further debate it emerged that neither the Poole "B" crew or the Itchen crew could attend the date for any row-off of 11.00am on Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> August at dock head, Southampton – a date that had been agreed at the Associations AGM. As a result, the decision of the meeting was that Coalporters would take the 2<sup>nd</sup> representative slot with Itchen taking any 3<sup>rd</sup> slot that may become available. Poole were clearly very disappointed with this decision.

In the event of SCC Rule 23 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.

4) Any Other relevant Business -

i) The Association Secretary briefed the meeting on the situation with regards to the Championships in CARA and WEARA – who both still had Regatta's to complete – but there were encouraging signs that WEARA would have more representative crews than usual – although they were saying that they almost certainly would not have any masters crews and probably only one Junior Ladies crew. CARA were expected to have full representation.

2) Entries close. The meeting was reminded that entries for the 2017 SCC closed at 5.00pm the following day – Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> August and that there were no late entries at a South Coast Championship Regatta.

Steve Bull. Association Secretary. 17/8/17.

