

Dart Sailability Group (DSG)

Annual General Meeting 2020

Meeting held electronically on ZOOM at 6.30pm on Tuesday 15 September 2020

Minutes

<p>1.</p>	<p><u>Attendance and Apologies</u></p> <p><u>Present</u> Neil Strevens (Chair) Nick Woodward (Treasurer) Mike Pleass Jo Heaton Brett Reid Janine Reid David Pendlebury Gill Pendlebury Roger Holroyd Roger Marsden Dolly Marsden (Secretary)</p> <p><u>Apologies</u> Ian Hooper Tim Trent Anne Blood Graham Gardner Kathryn Taylor Suzanne Paget</p>	<p>Ian Wakeling (Principal) Ian Cottey Janet Cottey Paul Stannard Robert Boyd Carrie Sawyer Jeremy Randall Tom King Neil Hockaday Brian Hignett Mary ?</p> <p>Anna Chrystie Peter Chrystie Steve Oakey David Taylor Jennie Richardson</p>
	<p>Neil Strevens, Chairman, introduced the meeting and thanked those members attending.</p>	
<p>2.</p>	<p><u>Approval of Minutes of previous AGM of 21 March 2019</u></p> <p>There were no matters arising from the minutes of the 2019 AGM.</p> <p>Proposed: David Pendlebury Seconded: Ian Wakeling Approved unanimously</p>	
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>Chairman's Report 2018-9 – Neil Strevens, Chair</u></p> <p>The Chairman's Report for the year to 30 September 2019 is available on the DSG website with the Annual Accounts.</p>	

	<p>During that year there were 82 volunteers, of whom 66 were active for a total of 662 volunteer days, an increase on the previous year's activity.</p> <p>40 individual disabled sailors attended plus organized Groups. On some sailing days 50 sailors and their carers went afloat.</p> <p>Funds totaling £29,000 were raised thanks to the work of Mike Pleass. Brett and Janine Reid have now taken over the fund raising role for DSG.</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p><u>Presentation and Approval of Annual Accounts – Nick Woodward</u></p> <p>The Treasurer gave a brief explanation of the accounts.</p> <p>Major expenditure during 2019 explained the difference of approximately £7,000 in the Group's financial position compared with the previous year.</p> <p>Running costs appear lower than usual because of the way fuel duty is refunded by the Inland Revenue. The Treasurer submitted a claim for 3 years' duty which resulted in over £1,200 taken off the overall cost of fuel in 2019.</p> <p>Formerly dealt with under Unrestricted Funds, Depreciation is now accounted for under Restricted Funds which is where donations and capital expenditure are recorded.</p> <p>The annual surplus is approximately the same as the previous year. The balance carried forward at 30 September 2019 was £58,000.</p> <p>Proposed: David Pendlebury Seconded: Roger Marsden Approved unanimously</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p><u>Trustee Elections</u></p> <p>Colin Whymark has stepped down as Trustee after serving 2 three year terms. The Chair offered his thanks to Colin on behalf of the Group.</p> <p><u>Election of trustee</u> Name: Robert Boyd Proposed: Jo Heaton Seconded: Tom King Approved unanimously</p> <p>Robert expressed his pleasure in returning as a Trustee.</p>

<p>6.</p>	<p><u>Any Other Business</u></p> <p>Neil Strevens expressed his gratitude to those sailors and volunteers who have attended the 2020 season under difficult circumstances. Two and a half months of sailing have been achieved to date. Credit was given to Ian Wakeling, Principal, for his work in achieving the correct conditions to make sailing possible.</p> <p>There has been discussion and co-operation with other Sailability groups in the South West.</p> <p>Ian expressed his gratitude to Bob Miller and Gill Pendlebury for organizing sailing sessions which have been complicated to achieve.</p> <p><u>Further sailing in 2020</u></p> <p>Although the season at Noss will end on 30 September Ian will try to arrange extra sailing sessions in October if there is any interest from sailors. The Ark will leave from the slipway at the Royal Dart Yacht Club and the Drascombe will be kept at Darthaven pontoon. All activities will be weather dependent and there will be no hoist available.</p> <p><u>Noss Development</u></p> <p>Premier Marinas intend to get as much piling and as many new pontoons in place as possible over the winter. Work on the new buildings for South Devon College will go ahead and some new commercial units will also be built. DSG has first refusal as tenant of a commercial unit pending costs. Ian will present details of DSG's requirements to the Trustees to decide what is affordable.</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>The Chair expressed his hope to be able to return the next AGM to a date in April, subject to the accounts being finalized by then and closed the meeting at 18.52.</p>