

PIPER OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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Minutes AGM 9th March 2015 held at Royal Gourock Yacht Club Meeting opened at 20.00hrs

Present....R Donaldson, D Chalmers ,K Brown, L Cully, D Maclagan, J Fleming, A Armstrong, G Maclellan, I Hurrel,A Chalmers, B McLean, R Donaldson, P Boyd, C Clark, K Love, A Love, R Towart, J Moore, A Waugh, I P C Mackenzie.

Apologies.....B Gibb, A Nicholson, W Aitchison, F Campbell, L Campbell, I Murray, D Campbell, M Cameron, A Manwell, E Ross.A Thoms, C Thoms, K Grant

Minutes of the 2015 AGM were accepted as a true record. Proposed C Clark Seconded K Love

Matters Arising it was noted that Phil Pitman should be Examiner of accounts not Auditor.

Accounts Were summarized by the Treasurer , the running of the Association and regattas had been similar to previous years with membership remaining stable. The support of the sponsors had added greatly to the overall funds in the bank and their prizes for regattas had made all the difference for the regattas breaking even.It was also mentioned that the sponsors monetary payments had not been used in 2015 but would be put forward for use in the 50th Anniversary year. The final balance for 2015 was £4667.98 with a surplus of £1552.64

Proposed B McLean Seconded Robert Towart

Subscriptions It was proposed and agreed that these would remain unchanged at £10 for full members and £5 for associate.

Proposed Rowena Donaldson Seconded David Maclagan

There then followed the 2015 seasons report by the Class captain Bob Donaldson.....

Election of Office Bearers.

Bob Donaldson as Class Captain had served his 3 year term and was due to step down, after some discussion it was proposed he remain for the 50th anniversary season and was duly re-elected

Proposed by Alan Waugh and seconded by Kenny Love.

Hon Secretary/Treasurer is an Annual post , D Chalmers was willing to continue for another term and was duly re- elected Proposed by Rowena Donaldson and Seconded by Caroline Clark

Area representatives

RNCYC Alan Armstrong RGYC Brian McLean HLSC Iain Hurrel

Proposed Jock Fleming Proposed Bob Donaldson Proposed Alan Waugh

Seconded Gavin Maclellan Seconded Peter Boyd Seconded Kenny Love

Racing Programme 2016

The Anniversary Regatta was to be moved to a 3 day event over the 3rd-4th-5th June and would take on the style of a race round the 3 main Piper venues of RNCYC , RGYC and HLSC. Only the Ashton Regatta on the afternoon of Saturday 4th would count towards the Overall Championship.

Cove Regatta 11th -12th June

Class Championships 13th -14th August

Polaris Regatta 10th -11th September

Results from Ashton Regatta, both days Cove Regatta, both days Championships and both days at Polaris Regatta (7 Total) would count for the Class Overall Champion.

Sponsorship was in place from Old Pulteney and Inverbag Gallery final decision was awaited from Tunnocks.

Invitations had been received from RNCYC and RWYC for the Class to participate in their regattas this being the Pipers 50th.

Annual Dinner

As this was our Anniversary year a proposal was made to have a "Special " event over a weekend possibly in Glasgow city centre. Various venues were discussed including Glynhill, Glenlee and Western club .No decision reached but Committe left to research further.

50th Anniversary Plans

These are mostly in place and will commence with a "Sixties" themed Clas captains Cocktail Party at HLSC on 16th April.

Anniversary Regatta would see apre racing parties/ dinner at each venue , Parade of sail in Holy Loch and final prizegiving at HLSC on the Sunday.

Inverbeg Gallery were a welcome addition to the sponsorahip for this event and peter gave us a run down on this support.

Two original paintings were being put in as main prizes together with prints of same for all competitors. There was also class identified T shirts and caps being produced for each participating boat. Separate boat plaques would also be awarded to competitors and specialist " Anchor " metal work trophies were also being produced .

AOB

It was expected that the "Piper " book would be finalised and ready for the Anniversary Regatta

Additional Press coverage was to be sought considering this was our "special " year .

A PIPER OD Facebook page was also mentioned and this was to be put in place as soon as possible.

Meeting Closed at 21.25hrs