



OUYC Junior Committee Minutes: Michaelmas 2020

Date/time: Tuesday 17th November 2020, 1900

Location: Teams

Items:

1. Apologies

- a. Robert Temple (COVID officer + welfare)
- b. Hollie MacDonald (Web bosun)
- c. Ross Gales (Cruising sec)
- d. Ryan Ghent (Social Secretary)

2. Update on Action Points from last meeting

- a. JC to remove TX from dinghy account once she has full account access
 - i. JC: Done, in the process of putting HJ on the account
- b. HJ to look into switching dinghy account to a Santander or other bank
 - i. HJ: Once on the account, will look into this.
- c. RW, FG and HJ to liaise with SC to add Stuart to both accounts, only add to dinghy once decided if the account is moving.
 - i. RW: The email was sent (thanks go to FG) unsure if it was followed up on. FG?
 - ii. FG: need to follow up on.
 - iii. **ACTION:** FG to follow up with Stuart to add him to the yachting account
 - iv. **ACTION:** once HJ on dinghy account and decision made about switching banks, HJ to liaise with Stuart to get him added onto the account.
- d. AnnikaM and JC to write up final proposal on how club grant allocation will be done
 - i. AnnikaM: Has not been done yet.
 - ii. **ACTION:** AnnikaM and JC to write up final proposal on how club grant allocation will be done by next meeting.
- e. LG to edit promo video for use this year
 - i. LG: Done
- f. HJ to create OUYC prospectus.
 - i. HJ: Exams therefore didn't happen
 - ii. RW: good thing to happen still
 - iii. HJ: goal for next year
 - iv. **ACTION:** HJ to either create or delegate the creation of OUYC prospectus before September 2021
- g. RW to create a termcard for MT
 - i. RW: Done
- h. MP-B to email graduates (this year and past years) to sign them up for life membership
 - i. MP-B: Done. 20 people sent out.

- i. JC and HJ to negotiate a new deal with OSC and clarify liability when using OSC and OSTT equipment.
 - i. JC: exams, deadline is April
 - ii. **ACTION:** JC and HJ to negotiate a new deal with OSC and clarify liability when using OSC and OSTT equipment before April 2021
- j. RW to talk to Adrian Howe to discuss OUYC ability to send a representative to committee meetings to keep in the loop.
 - i. RW: unsure if still required due to now being included on OSC announce emails. Happy to organise this is agree that it would still be good.
 - ii. HJ: to do with the wider negotiation. agree have the right.
 - iii. **ACTION:** HJ and JC to include the ability to send a representative to OSC committee meetings in OSC negotiations before April 2021
- k. HJ to write a new LM bio for the donations page.
 - i. HJ: not particularly pressing, unsure where to send as well.
 - ii. RW: TT goal
 - iii. **ACTION:** HJ to write a new LM bio for the donations page before July 2021.
- l. RW and MP-B to collate life members newsletter for publication by 17/07/2020 including plea for gift-aid and inquiry into keelboat access.
 - i. RW: Done
- m. HM to set up OUYC FB group with RCs as additional admins.
 - i. RW: Done
- n. RW to continue to organise the exchange, look at combining with Generations or any other event we may run next summer.
 - i. RW: This is still in process
- o. HJ to include club racing in OUYC prospectus.
 - i. RW: included under previous action point
- p. JC, HJ and ON to look into insurance for packages.
 - i. HJ: more pressing matters, post negotiation with OSC
 - ii. **ACTION:** JC, HJ and ON to look into insurance for packages after negotiation with OSC has concluded.
- q. RW to set up a meeting with Stuart, Dinghy RC, Dinghy Treasurer, Fixtures and bosun to discuss current insurance coverage.
 - i. RW: Will set this up ASAP, apologies
 - ii. **ACTION:** RW to set up a meeting with Stuart, DRC, Dinghy Treasurer, Fixtures and bosun to discuss current insurance coverage.
- r. RW to propose move to a 4 year timescale at SCM.
 - i. RW: Will be proposed at the next SCM
 - ii. **ACTION:** RW to propose move to a 4 year boat buying timescale at SCM
- s. TX to email the blues committee to get clarity on how blues will be awarded this year. Also, to email SportsFed to confirm whether we would be allowed to hold a varsity this year
 - i. RW: Done
- t. HJ and JC to then set up a meeting with Cambridge to discuss options with them before 20/06/2020.
 - i. RW: Done
- u. If Varsity is planned to go ahead at ISC, JC/TX to negotiate terms of the deposit.
 - i. RW: Done
- v. ON (once handed over) to calculate total set-up costs then send to SC for

reimbursement from Boat Fund.

- i. ON: Done. No reimbursement required, was paid from the boat fund directly.

3. Club Grant Update

- a. RW: Due to lockdown SportsFed are delaying paying out grants. However, if we need this they are willing to discuss it with us.
- b. HJ: Not forcing clubs to hand money back, but encouraging it for other clubs. SportsFed aware of financial problems.
- c. RW: do we want now?
- d. JC: No outgoings currently
- e. FG: agreed on yacht side. Getting refund from sunsail, so should be fine cashflow-wise. Need to check with sunsail about damage deposit refund.
- f. RW: Let me know if cash flow problems arise
- g. JC: only problems may be OSC and insurance.

4. Membership Report

- a. Freshers fair engagement
 - i. RW: Total sign-ups: 107
 - ii. Dinghy Social: 91
 - iii. Dinghy Racing: 59
 - iv. Yachting Social: 78
 - v. Yachting Racing: 59
 - vi. roughly half of last year's sign-ups, but to be expected due to virtual nature. Thanks to everyone who manned the stall.
 - vii. AnnikaM: Thanks Rachel for organising.

5. Strategies for Maintaining Engagement

- a. VR
 - i. HC: fleet racing once a week, can do a new series over christmas
 - ii. HJ: is very good, advertising friendlies is an idea.
 - iii. RW: goes out to all members of mailing list
 - iv. FG: will plug in theory
 - v. **ACTION:** HC to continue to run VR races over the christmas period and advertise any one-off matches via mailing list and potentially social media.
- b. Cruising opportunities in Summer
 - i. AnnikaM: planning to run weekend cruising similar to what was planned for this term.
 - ii. ME: fastnet return is a bit cruising-like. Will plan to do more cruising weekends over TT, not HT as have to focus on BUSA.
 - iii. RW: have been contacted by yacht week to organise something for the summer, unsure whether summer sail week is better?
 - iv. FG: summer sail week for uni students, yacht week for american exchange students generally
 - v. JC: coves week boat is an idea, hard to organise
 - vi. FG: summer sail week is very easy to organise.
 - vii. **ACTION:** RG to look into organising OUYC summer sail week
- c. Social Sailing
 - i. HC: Will run as normal in TT organisation will be joint with next Social Sailing Sec (elected in HT usually)
 - ii. RW: club sailing is also a possibility.

- d. Other Ideas
 - i. AnnikaM: yachting theory sessions weekly to keep up engagement and a yachtmaster course.
 - ii. IP-S: Sea survival courses?
 - iii. annika: Hard to do over zoom, but will enquire. potential for day skipper.
 - iv. RW: advertising will be key
 - v. FG: sailing movie night via netflix party. Can use "Gather" - Club penguin meets zoom
 - vi. RW: need more lowkey socials on top of VR.
 - vii. HC: I was waiting to see if the rowing crewdate on zoom was good, and worked fairly well, so will organise.
 - viii. **ACTION:** HC to look into "Gather" as an alternative to zoom for socials
 - ix. **ACTION:** HC to organise socials on top of VR series' in collaboration with RT as welfare.

6. Annual Dinner Update

- a. HC: confirmed with hildas, they seem to think it will go ahead.

7. BUSA Qualifiers Hosting Situation

- a. RW: I am not sure whether having the event be hosted at Farmoor with our boats will be seen by the uni/sportsfed as facilitating a large sporting event which goes against reasoning behind the events ban
- b. FG: what is the background of this?
- c. JC: We bid to host BUSA qualifiers, but due to events ban from uni we cannot run it anymore
- d. ME: We could appeal the ban based on sailing being a low risk?
- e. HJ: What has BUSA said?
- f. LM: They want to run it at farmoor, but understand we may not be able to host, so they are looking into alternatives such as getting Brookes to run it or running it themselves and hiring our boats. Potential renting boat issue as our insurance might require a member of OUYC to attend which goes against the sports ban.
- g. HJ: It's unlikely that we're the only uni to have the ban so will this event go ahead?
- h. LM: If it doesn't, will busa invite teams to finals based on performance last year?
- i. JC: Unlikely. If qualies doesn't happen, finals will not be likely to happen. There are enough fireflies at farmoor for BUSA to be able not to use our boats and still run the event.
- j. HJ: if the ban remains, and sportsfed tell us we can't host and can't rent our boats, then we will need financial support as this is our income.
- k. ME: in general it is good to keep sportsfed in the loop.
- l. RW: currently, the main issues are knowing whether we can rent our boats without an issue, which we can firstly check with our insurance and then sportsfed. If not, need to tell BUSA that we can't have anything to do with the event.
- m. **ACTION:** JC to check with stuart at meeting about insurance then speak to SportsFed about what we can and can't do then update BUSA.

8. Accounts

- a. State of Yachting accounts
 - i. FG: this term, no outgoings or incomings. 9 members paid up so far (committee members need to pay for membership). £1800 coming in from sunsail soon due to refund from last year. Paid BUSA affiliation + bought loos gauge. Currently quite comfortable financially.

- ii. ME: may need to refund membership
 - iii. FG: if we run yachtmaster, will need to have charged membership. Can deal with at the end of the year if it comes to it.
- b. State of Dinghy accounts
- i. HJ: Good liquidity at the moment, but come end of year we will be £2000 in deficit. Need to try to run a 1 day topgun and alumni event in summer. Membership yet to come in.
 - ii. JC: what are thoughts on charging membership
 - iii. RW: have to run as if we are doing events, so think we charge now and then refund later as needed.
 - iv. HJ: no strong thoughts either way. Unsure if we should give a discount or not. But think we wait until we know that we can sail next term.
 - v. ME: some colleges do blues funding termly so some people would prefer to be billed some now and some later.
 - vi. HJ: will ask if people would rather be billed now or later.