

MYA Midlands District Annual General Meeting 1st November 2020.

The AGM is scheduled for 15:00 and the meeting is being hosted **electronically.**

AGENDA.

Apologies.

Minutes.

The minutes from the 2019 district AGM. (attached). Matters arising.

AGM committee reports. (attached).

Chairman Councillor Secretary Senior measurer Webmaster

2021 MYA MD Committee election.

All 2020 AGM elected committee members have indicated that they are willing to stand again and any other nominations will go forward to the ballot.

District Committee Election.	Name:	Nominated by:	For,	Against.
Chairman.	Stephen Hodgkinson	BVRS&MBC		
Alternative,				
District Councillor.	Bill Green	BVRS&MBC		
Alternative,				
Secretary.	Colin Walton	MPRSC		
Alternative,				
Racing Secretary.	Colin Walton	MPRSC		
Alternative,				
District Senior Measurer.	Mike Ewart	TIRYC		
Alternative,				
Webmaster.	Gordon Sears	MBRYC		
Alternative,				
2 District Trustees.	Gordon Sears.	MBRYC		
	Chris Cook.	BVRS&MBC		
Alternatives,				

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District Committee motions.

The committee has put forward a motion to approve a new District Constitution. (attached). The reason for this is to bring it into line with the new MYA version.

Club motions to the District AGM.

Any motions or business sent by clubs to the secretary for inclusion in the District AGM.

MYA MD 2021 race calendar.

Colin W raised the subject what are we planning for the District in 2021?

Following the truncated 2020 District calendar, we have looked at what may be possible for 2021 and recommend that this could be an ideal opportunity to review all the series and events we normally host to perhaps reduce the amount of event clashes and travelling.

Over the last 2 or 3 years the District event attendance has dropped off, and there are various reasons for this from: we are all getting older, travel is becoming an issue, the calendar is too crowded, and a host of other things like I have used up all my pass outs.

What are the core things the District needs to host? and we do not mean the MYA events. Firstly, we should hold **District Championships** for the classes that are sailed within our clubs, then any **District series**, and traditional events.

In 2020 we currently had planned:

District A, a one-day race.
District Marblehead, the series champion.
District 6M, the series champion.

District IOM, the Mac Colyer trophy, this is included as part of the IOMMDCS series.

District IOMMDCS, series champion.
District R36, a one-day race.

And for 2020 we had included a RG65/DF65 MD championship, a one-day event.

According to the MYA calendar for 2020 we as a District were scheduled to host **41 days** of sailing at our clubs, obviously going forward we need to trim this so we don't overload the clubs and volunteers who give up their weekends to make the events happen. We do however need to continue to support the classes of boats we have in our district, so our thoughts are.

We continue with the one-day events as they are, so that is the District A, District R36 and possibly a District DF95 as we appear to have a lot of those spread around our clubs.

Next, we keep the District 6m as it is with two events at Bournville and Two Islands.

That gives us 7 event days so far.

Now to the District IOM, currently we have both summer and winter series, which is what was requested when we used to get big turnouts, but our thoughts now are to combine them into a single series over the whole year.

Starting with March then bi-monthly until November, this gives us **5 event days** and misses the busy month of August when you have the Nationals. This also frees up the winter months for club sailing. The District Champion (Mac Colyer trophy) would form one of those days and could be hosted by any club hosting one of the series rounds.

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If Two Islands RYC were to run an IOM series event, they could still use the Mac McCulloch trophy.

The District Marblehead series has been having issues with numbers attending as well so we need to think about how many events do they need? In 2020 we were scheduled to host 6 events which included the MYA Ranking, GAMES series and a District Championship.

So how about we have **3 event days** for Marblehead in the District series and the District Champion is the series winner. These can be fitted anywhere in the season.

That brings us to **15 event days** so far, excluding what the MYA and Class Associations ask us to host in 2021, in 2020 there were **20 event days**. Do not forget every two years the District gets chosen to host Nationals and Rankings etc so the number of event days can go down sometimes. So, a full season for the Midlands could come down to **35 event days**, and a quiet season would be something like **30 event days**.

This potentially gives us more time for club racing and reduces the workload on any of the district clubs that are asked to take on an event on behalf of the MYA. It should free up some time in our calendar and this could be the ideal opportunity to set out a new normal.

We throw this open to all for comment so we can start to construct a calendar for 2021 assuming that we can get back to competitive sailing in the near future.

Club contacts for the 2021 MYA yearbook.

All club contacts present at the MD AGM were asked who their contact would be for 2021, and any missing will be contacted by the secretary. Once the list is complete they will be forwarded to the MYA.

Colin W

Any Other Business.

As we were not able to complete the minimum number of rounds for the IOMMDCS series there will be no champion declared for the 2020 series.

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