



MINUTES OF THE MYA MIDLAND DISTRICT AGM
Bournville Club House
25 October 2008

Present: Gordon Sears - Graham Allen - Vic Bellington - Mike Harris - Paul Davis - John Newey - Pete Beddows - Craig Humphreys - Andy Stevenson - Graham Whalley - Tony Snedker - Laurie Brown - Noel Donaldson

Apologies: Jim Marsh – Clive Hartland – Mike Bridgeman – Paul – Clive Bardell – Dave Melville

- **THE 2007 MINUTES**

The 2007 AGM minutes were read out. The following points were raised.

- a) GA asked about the health & safety and risk assessments. GS reported that the template on essential skipper and emergency info had been sent out to clubs. The risk assessment form is still being worked on and should be available early next year (2009)
- b) VB raised a question on the MYA public liability insurance. GS agreed to draft a letter to Dave Rose asking the question and to get clarification.

The minutes were then signed by GS

- **MIDLAND DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT**

GS read out a written report on the activities around the district for 2008. GS congratulated Don Charlsworth for winning the MDCS trophy in 2008 and the Leicester club for winning the Club trophy. A copy is attached.

- **MIDLAND DISTRICT SECRETARY REPORT**

GA read out a written report. Including the possibility of Wicksteed Park affiliating with the MYA this year.

Both GS and GA finished their reports with acknowledgments and thanks for all the district clubs and club officials that have given their time and efforts to make the racing calendar possible.

- **DISTRICT ACCOUNTS**

GA reported that the district account had been closed in line with the 2007 AGM proposal. The funds (£43.04) have been sent to the MYA. A letter of receipt has been returned along with the closed account book.

- **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

The following officers were proposed and adopted:

Midland District Councilor Gordon Sears, proposed by MH and seconded by PD

Midland District Secretary Graham Allen, proposed by MH and seconded by PD

Midland District Web Master Laurie Brown continuation from 2008

Vic Bellerson and Mike Harris agreed to continue as Midland District Trustees. GS proposed them and PD seconded them.

- **RACE DATES FOR 2009**

The 2009 District race calendar was discussed with the following proposals made. The district has been offered the RM nationals on the 21 June, which Lincoln is happy to host with help from the district to run it. Watermead have agreed to host the RA Veterans National on the 16 Aug. Leicester again in 2009 will host the RM Midland District Ranking on the 27 September.

The Midland District Champion Skipper and club series dates have been discussed and will be released to clubs shortly along with all the sailing other sailing dates set for 2009.

Bournville will again be hosting a Presidents Day on June 1st. This again will be a “kit” boat and meet the public day.

- **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The district web site was discussed, and Laurie Brown was congratulated on the quality of the site. A request to clubs to contribute with info about their clubs was voiced.

Mike Week from the Leicester club asked for a re definition on the Midland District events. It was agreed to look at what is already on the web site and update it if needed.

A proposal for a MYA MIDLANDS DISTRICT RACING ROAD SHOW produced by Darin Ballington in conjunction with Laurie Brown and Graham Allen was read out to the AGM. A heated discussion followed as it was felt the idea had already been undertaken with little or no participation from the district. From the debate GS proposed that district clubs should be asked to supply a promotional leaflet on their clubs. It was also agreed that the MYA rule seminar in February at Manor Park would be a good project to promote as a District.

Laurie Brown addressed the AGM about a boat library. All present thought this was a good idea and would be actioned in 2009.

Andy Stevenson gave details on the IOMICA AGM. Full details can be found via the MYA web site.

Mike Harris has agreed to supply a trophy for the Midland District winter series after a request from the district.

Finally, Mike Harris made an address about the 2011 MYA centenary celebrations. There is a plan to have various events including a regional dinner, sailing activities and the organisation of a show about the history of the MYA in the Midland District. All help from clubs would be appreciated. More information will follow soon.

The 2008 AGM was closed with thanks given to the Bournville club for their hospitality during the day, especially John Newey and Paul Davis.

The meeting closed at 5.40pm

Minutes prepared by Graham Allen, Midland District Secretary

Agreed as an accurate record by:_____