

**Annual General Meeting of Ardleigh Sailing Club held at the Clubhouse  
at 14:30, 17th March, 2013**

**1. Call to Order, and establishment of a Quorum**

There were 28 members present, of whom 21 were eligible to vote, the meeting was therefore declared quorate.

**2. Apologies for absence**

Paul Constable, Adrian Godson, Heather Godson, Steve Ede, Rachael Elson, Sarah Phillips-Pearce, Richard Phillips-Pearce, Jonathan Davies

**3. Approval of the Minutes of the AGM held 19th February 2012**

The minutes from the AGM 19th February 2012 were presented. The minutes were duly approved (proposed by Ian Hill, seconded by John Thompson).

**4. Matters arising from the above meeting**

There were no matters arising.

**5. Treasurer's report and Approval of the Accounts for the period to 30/09/2012**

The Honorary Treasurer, Richard Biggs, gave a brief summary of the Club's financial position and reported a small loss overall on the year, however, the Club was in receipt of a £10,000 SportEngland/Lottery award and had used some capital as matched funding to purchase the prototype and two new Topper Argo training boats. Special thanks were made to Jonathan Reubin for the increase in profits in the Galley.

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by John King, Seconded by Wendy Brothers. The Accounts were approved unanimously.

**6. Appointment of new Auditors**

RDP, our present auditors, would prefer not to do our audits in future. The Treasurer has taken advice on a new Auditor specialising in Non Profit Organisations. After a highly supportive testimonial from one of their present clients it was proposed to adopting them as our auditors. Richard Clayton proposed Fergus O'Sullivan seconded. The motion was approved unanimously.

**7. Commodore's report**

The Commodore presented a report of the activity in the Club over the past year Please see attached copy.

**8. Constitution and Trustee matters:**

A written statement submitted by Jonathan Davies regarding the matters he requested to be included on the Agenda under this Item was read out – in summary, Mr. Davies was satisfied with the actions of the Committee and its Officers has taken on these matters and therefore withdrew the items.

Richard Clayton, Commodore, presented an account of correspondence, actions and implications of the issues raised regarding the role and responsibilities of Trustees. As a result there would be a change of the Club's Trustees partly in order to align their Deeds of Appointment to the current Constitution.

No further questions were raised.

**9. Questions and Observations from the floor on other matters pertaining to the 2012-13 year.**

Nothing further was raised.

**10. Confirmation of the Committee's recommendation not to increase Subscription fees for the 2013 / 14 Membership year**

Recommendation to keep fees at the 2012/3 level was proposed by Alec Mumford, seconded by Anja Newman and carried unanimously.

**11. Proposal to establish new Membership levels**

In order to respond to requests from potential members, two new membership levels were proposed by Alec Mumford and seconded Anja Newman:

1. Individual and Junior and
2. Social and Juniors

These were accepted unanimously

**12. Election of Officers – see list below**

A list of members offering themselves for election were listed in the Agenda.

It was proposed these be voted on block. Proposer Bob Stannard Seconded John Thompson. This was carried.

A motion to elect the Club Officers and Committee Members as posted below was proposed by Wendy Brothers and seconded by Keith Harvey. The motion was passed unanimously.

**13. Incoming Commodore's address**

Fergus O'Sullivan, Commodore Elect, presented an overview of developments for the forthcoming year covering such as: plans to increase the level of activity of members; increasing membership numbers; website updating; site security updating; RYA-supported race training courses; application for RYA Training Centre; and organising more leisure sailing. It was noted that 18<sup>th</sup> 19<sup>th</sup> May is the RYA national "Push the Boat Out" weekend and our open day for new members would be incorporated into this.

**14. Questions / Observations from the floor on the Incoming Commodore's address**

No questions were raised

**15. Any other business**

Jonathan Reubin said fitting out supper tickets are still available.

Maintenance day Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Richard Clayton is looking at the problems some members are having with membership renewal

Fergus O'Sullivan gave thanks to Richard Clayton for his tireless work as Commodore over the past 2 years and presented a gift on behalf of the committee.

The date for the next AGM was proposed as Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2014, 14.30 at the Clubhouse, Notice of the next AGM is thereby given.

The AGM Closed at 15.20



# Minutes of a Meeting of the Annual General Meeting

Ardleigh Sailing Club

17<sup>th</sup> March 2013

## **Notice of Members Elected sd Officers and Committee**

Fergus O'Sullivan	Commodore
Jonathan Reubin	Vice-Commodore
<i>Vacant</i>	Rear-Commodore
Tina Grice	Club Secretary
Richard Biggs	Treasurer
Paul Constable	Sailing Secretary
Richard Clayton	Membership Secretary
Ian Hill	Roster Secretary
Paul Berry	Training Officer
Gareth Brown	Asst. Secretary
Graham Lewis	Youth & Scouts Officer
Paul Barnes	General Member
John Thompson	General Member
Barry Young	General Member
Alec Mumford	General Member