

**Minutes of the 2009 Annual General Meeting of the UK Windsurfing Association (UKWA)  
Held at Weymouth & Portland national Sailing Academy on 3 May 2009**

50 people signed the attendance sheet; there were also a few late arrivals.

**Apologies:** Peter Davis; Allan Cross, Tony Ireland

**Agenda Items:**

1. **Previous Minutes:** The AGM Minutes from 2008 were Approved and Agreed.

**Proposed:** Paul Sibley      **Seconded:** Rod Davis

2. **Report from the Chairman** (Ian Jones)

Thank you to everyone for supporting the UKWA through 2008 and a special thanks to the safety crew.

Main priority for last year has been to reduce costs, which has resulted in the finances turning round for the better, which will be explained in more detail by the Treasurer.

Pleased that Longboard has been rejuvenated, thanks to both the trade and people involved behind the scenes who have worked so hard to make this happen.

Congratulations to all sailors who took part in International competitions last year and who have done so well in all disciplines. Their results are an inspiration to all our up and coming juniors and our older members.

Fat Face was a very successful event again last year and was oversubscribed for the first time.

Slalom JP/Neil Pryde Series: thank you to Chris Lewis for all his help to make these events so popular for the first time last year. This year even more is being planned, including free parties and other activities (for 'no-wind' days).

Wave: format has been changed for this year, which will hopefully improve the financial outcome, attendance and overall enjoyment of these events.

Speed Week: has done very well again and sold out immediately. The windsurfing/ supply industry, although they are taking a big knock due to the economic climate at the moment, are still working together to help the sport.

3. **Report from the Treasurer** (John Ellis)

Page 3: In 2007 there was a deficit of £18,767 – for 2008 the figure has turned around to a surplus of £4,267; thanks to the hard work from the race crew, the decision of cutting down of events and cutting administration costs has helped towards the turn around.

Page 4: Net Current Assets: Up at £19K in 2008 compared with £7K in 2007. Deferred income relates to membership in advance. When these figures are deducted from one another it shows a surplus (reserve/working capital) of around £4K for the year.

We have built up over the years a good set of equipment, which you now see on the water (the boats and the maintenance of the boats to keep them in good condition) and you hear it with the new PA system – these areas are where any surplus money has been invested over the last few years.

The financial accounts for the year ended 31 December 2008 were Approved and agreed.

**Proposed:** Kevin Proffitt      **Seconded:** Bob Ingram

### 3. **Committee Changes and Election of Officers :**

#### Retirements:

Corporate Liaison	Allan Cross
Media	Tony Ireland
Formula Class Rep	Xavier Ferlet
Wave	John Hibbard

Companies House has abolished the need for the role of a Company Secretary. After discussion, it was noted that the UKWA's constitution would have to be reviewed to adopt this change, which would then be decided at a general members meeting, EGM or at the next AGM, after Notice to the membership.

#### Proposed new Committee members:

Wave	Louise Emery
SE Regional Representative	Paul Robinson
Formula Class Rep	Dave Coles

#### **Elected Management Committee:**

Chair (& Corporate Sponsorship Liaison)	Ian Jones
Finance (Treasurer)	John Ellis (retired 20 June 09)
	Adrian Wallis (co-opted 20 June 09)
Company Secretary	Jay Williamson
Head of Racing	Bob Ingram
Speed	Peter Davis
Wave	Louise Emery

#### **Other Executive Committee members:**

##### Class Representatives

Techno 293	Donna Tailby
Raceboard	Brian Tilbury
RSX	Rob Strange (until a sailor can be found)
Formula	Dave Coles
Slalom	Roger Clark

##### Regional Representatives

SE Region	Paul Robinson
SW Region	Richard Sills
Midlands	TBA – Dave Barratt co-opted 20 June 2009
North West	to be announced
North East	to be announced
Eastern	to be announced

##### Specialist areas

Boson/Crew	Ed Carr/Dave Sibley
Media	Rod Davis
Webmaster	Alastair Campbell

All above agreed:

**Vote:** none against, no abstentions

4. **Any Other Business:**

- Mike Dempsey suggested the UKWA adopt a more structured class system – Mike was invited to the next exec meeting at Christchurch to discuss in further detail.
- Comment from David, representative of the RYA: The aim of his presence over the weekend is to get a better understanding of what sailors actually want within their class to enable a better working relationship between the RYA and each discipline.
- Mike Dempsey (along with all those present) thanked John Ellis for all his hard work over the years as Head of Finance and Treasurer of the UKWA.

Thanks to all who attended  
Meeting ended 9.15pm

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