

29er Class Association Committee Meeting

Minutes

24th February 2026 @ 7.30 via Google Meet

Apologies: Gavin Homer

In attendance:

Officers of the Association:

Samantha White, Dougal Scott, Lee Sydenham, Anne Sydenham, Melissa Heppell, Helen Alheid, Steve Sinfield, Doug Walker

Other attendees:

Louis Hiscocks, Jo Powell, Jo Walker, Hannah Bristow, Chris Turner

Meeting was quorate.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for January were approved.

Committee vacancies

Current

Vice chair

Training – Roger still on website

Transition – need to advertise – it's crucial.

Measurer

Events/social sec – is that now Jane – should she be on cttee?

Treasurer

Sailing sec

General sec

Safety (one half)

Webmaster

Reps

North

NI – Glynis Ridout

Scottish

Some cttee positions can be filled but contact not made with them for the purposes of this meeting.

Treasurer's Report.

Steve Sinfield sent out via email. PO box for mail – agreed

Sailing Secretary

Matters discussed:

- Worlds selection started – emails to be sent – code will be issued – start with top 15 and 3 x female, mixed, junior. Checking who is still intact and who should get the balance of slots.
- YN LS will send out the vol stuff after Warsash. No equipment checks at Registration but will be during the week.
- Parkstone now confirmed – no update

Class Coach Update

- Interview dates to be arranged – 5 candidates to be done by Easter
- Class squad dates for next year – venues to book

Sailor Reps

- Nationals – daily trophies – daily debrief – also trackers – that could add to the daily debrief – good engagement tool.

AOB

- RYA – no 29er stand – Ovington stand was too small/happy to be with us next year but think should be separate as a class hub – only class not to be there – 49er keen to do – option to share – need to discuss with the RYA re support and will need to have sailors and cttee there – MH and LH to lead
- Transition – Rob Richardson – contact – need to coordinate through them and have a demo boat at WPNSA – Chris Turner to hand over to Rob or Richard on cttee.
- Newsletter – drafted – HB to action
- Grafham Water incident – water authorities – no contaminants found. Follow up for class. Organisations wise it was good, better than Datchet,
- Kit - £12 pp class buy and then return and recycle.
- 2028 worlds will be at HISC – first week of July – Travemunde mid July Euros
- HA has amended documentation for publication
- Trackers and free photos – more posting on social media.

Next date: 24th March 2026

There being no other business the Chair closed the meeting thanking all for their attendance.