



Minutes: UK RS Feva Class Association AGM 2019

Present : Chairman - Steve Fisher (SF), Treasurer – Nick Edmonds (NE), Eastern Area Rep – Jo Tribe, Builders Representative – Jon Partridge (JP), RYA Representative Chris Atherton (CA), Emily Davis (ED), Debbie Caldwell (DC), Emma Stokes (ES), Katie Peters (KP), Ben Sheahan (BS). Class Secretary – Lucy Jameson

- Apologies Received from
Jane Wade, Inge Pye

- Minutes of 2018 AGM

All agreed that the minutes where a true interpretation of the 2018 AGM

- Election of Committee members

General Committee

- Chairman Incumbent – Steve Fisher
- Treasurer Incumbent – Nick Edmonds – Not standing for re-election
- Safeguarding Officer Incumbent – Inge Pye – Not standing for re-election
- General Committee Incumbent – Jo Tribe
- Technical Representative – Incumbent – Nick Neve

Area Representatives

- South East Area Rep Vacant
- Northern Area Rep Incumbent – Sarah Armstrong
- Eastern Area Rep Incumbent – Jo Tribe
- Midlands Area Rep Vacant
- Southern Area Rep Vacant

Nick Edmonds has been on the committee for the last 2 years working as the Class Treasurer and Inge Pye as the Class Welfare Officer. Both Nick and Inge have dedicated a huge amount of time and efforts to their role and on behalf of the Class SF extended his thanks for their time. These roles now need new members to step into the position.

Nick Neve will continue as Technical Representative
Jo Tribe will continue as the Eastern Representative
Jane Wade has agreed to take on the Midlands Area Representative Role
Sarah Armstrong will continue as Northern Rep

Southern and South East are currently vacant

Treasurer- Ben Sheahan has agreed to take over form Nick Edmonds

Proposed – Nick Edmonds

Seconded – Emma Stokes

All welcomed Ben to the role as Treasurer

Safeguarding Officer – SF explained that there is a need to find a replacement for this role. All policy are in place and have been reviewed. There just needs to be someone in the role who would be at events and a point of contact should there be a need.

Katie Peters Agreed to take on the role of Safeguarding officer

Proposed – Steve Fisher

Seconded – Emma Stokes

Steve thanked all new members of the committee and out going members for their time

- Chairman's update

The feeling is the class is going from strength to strength, Open meetings have generally been well attended. Slightly down on entries for the Nationals, partly due to location and exams period

180 entries to the Worlds so far so fleet going more international, UK are a large part of that.

Had a fantastic Winter Champs and Spring Champs. Burnham not so well attended. JT - it was exam time but also people said that Burnham is a long way out. SF Needing to remind people that attendance needs reciprocating and travelling to events all over should be actively encouraged.

After RYA asking for more variation for events so we have organised a Team Racing event in July at Rutland

JP – Suggested Random Pairs team racing, it is hugely popular in the USA. Nick Neve will be the best person to talk to about this

Action LJ to talk to Nick Neve

ET Rib

The Class has had the benefit of the generous use of the "Eric Twinaime" (ET) rib over the years, the ET trust kindly supply RYA supported classes with a rib to help with all class activity. Due to a change in funding the Rib funding will be withdrawn. The RYA and ET trust have given the class the option to purchase the rib.

Last year at the 2018 AGM there was an agreement that the class would look to purchase a second rib and the funds for this purchase had been ringfenced. The committee agreed that the money set aside for a second rib would now be used for the purchase the ET rib instead. This has been offered at a heavily discounted rate.

- Treasurers update

UK RS Feva Class Association, 2017 / 2018 (extension) financial summary

Financial period from 1 May 2017 to 31st July 2018 (15 months)

Key highlights

Per the 2016/17 report, the year started with cash balances of £43.7k, adjusted to £37.7k to reflect an early payment from RYA. As at the extended year end, 31 July 2018, the balance had increased by just under £1000, standing at £38.7k, comprising cash attributable to the Class of £28.2k and cash attributable to third parties, i.e. regional training, squads and charter income balance, of £10.3k

Of the £1k uplift in the year, £3.8k was attributable to the Class, comprising income of £21.9k (made up of membership, sponsorship from Volvo, PA, RYA, Tokio Marine & Noble Marine), and £20k of costs. Altogether, based on the 2017/18 period only, the Class made a small surplus, largely driven by new sponsorship from Tokio Marine and Noble Marine

Class events contributed a small loss of 0.7k. This was a reduction compared to previous years, driven chiefly by the Class no longer managing entries for the Itchenor Schools regatta (reduced income this fiscal, but full event costs), and break even only events at Parkstone GP & Winter Champs (WPNSA) and a cancelled Summer Champs at Grafham. The extended financial year also includes costs for 2 Nationals, but only income for Nationals 18.

Cash balances attributable to squads and training reduced from the previous year to a loss of £2.3k, reflecting the classes investment in Regional training over the winter.

Overall, the operating performance of the Class was a loss of £1.6k for the year. This figure excludes income from squads / training, charter income balance and the RYA's contribution for 18/19. If income is maintained at current levels, from membership, events and sponsorship, etc, the latter importantly now being some £10.5k contribution, the Class is in a good position to continue investing its accrued and operating surplus in sustaining and accelerating the development of the Class.

<u>Financial summary</u>	2017/18 (ext)	2016/17
Opening balance, 1/5/17	£ 43,758	£ 22,114
Adjustment to reflect early payment from RYA	-£ 6,000	£ 1,745
Opening balance, 1/5/17, adjusted	£ 37,758	£ 23,859
Changes in year (see below)	£ 795	£ 19,899
Adjustment to reflect reconciled in following financial year	£ -	£ -
Closing balance, 31/7/18	£ 38,553	£ 43,758
Of which training / squad and charter balance	£ 10,298	£ 14,935
Closing balance, 31/7/18, attributable to Class	£ 28,255	£ 28,823
Changes in year (detail)		
Class	£ 3,828	£ 6,404
Events	-£ 710	£ 8,239
Squads / training	-£ 2,324	£ 5,256
	£ 795	£ 19,899
Operating performance for Class	-£ 1,680	£ 7,918
<i>excludes squads / training, balance charter income and RYA contribution for 18/19</i>		

- Events

Back to WPNSA for Nationals in 2020 and again in 2022, 2021 will be Hayling Island Sailing Club.

JP suggested asking Abersoch if the class could return 2023

SF felt that Accommodation was tricky in Abersoch especially for the 4 days as people want a weeklong let.

KP – Suggested they do Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. This would give people back their bank holiday Monday. Would not need to take kids out of school on Friday

CA suggested Start on Saturday registration etc. Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday racing

NE recalled Rutland Nationals in 2015 when the event ran Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. We lost many sailors due to exam commitments on the Monday back at school.

Agreed that it would be sensible Look at it venue by venue but the idea of Registration on Saturday, racing Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday was popular

- Marketing

Open days have been happening with the Optimist Class, Tim Rush has been helping with this.

- Safety/Major Events
Nothing to report

- Technical
Rules Change request currently in process as follows, will update all when this has been approved
Purchase on the downhaul
C.9.2 e) states max ratio of 4:1
RS supply an upgraded system that is 6:1.

It is our belief that this upgraded system has been used for several years with no detrimental effects. Can the International RS Feva Class Association please request that we change the class rules to reflect the 6:1 part that is supplied. I think this is the simplest solution to this discrepancy and the fairest to the owners.

- Welfare
Nothing reported

- Membership and constitution changes.

LJ feels the temporary membership should be increased from £5 to £10
All agreed that the temporary membership should be increased to £10