



THE WATER WAGS

Minutes of the 126th Annual General Meeting held at the Royal Irish Yacht Club on Monday March 2nd 2015

Present:

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| George Henry (President) | Mick Donohoe |
| David McFarlane (Class Captain) | Guy Kilroy |
| Brian McBride (Honorary Secretary) | Frank Guy |
| David Clarke (Honorary Treasurer) | Hal Sisk |
| William Prentice (Vice President) | John Kidney |
| David Sarratt (Retired Vice President) | Con Murphy |
| Geoff Sarratt (Vice President) | Orla & Dermot Fitzgerald |
| Peter Wilson (Vice President) | Fergus Cullen |
| David Thomas (Vice President) | Gail Varian |
| Tom & Jennifer Hudson | Stuart McBean |
| Ian Malcolm | Paul Smyth |
| Cathy McAlevey | Philip Maine |

Apologies:

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| Kate O'Leary | Linda Prentice |
| Gillian Mahony | Alice Walsh |
| Philip Mahony | Philip Mahony |
| Jackie Kilroy | David Williams |
| Gavin Johnson | Denis & Margaret Woods |
| Ann Clarke | |

Chairman: George Henry

1. Minutes of the 2014 AGM

The minutes of the 125th AGM were read to the meeting. Their adoption was proposed by Peter Wilson and passed unanimously.

2. Minutes of the 2014 SGM

The SGM was to remove the limit on the number of VPs and remove reference to protests from the Rules of the Club. Their adoption was proposed by David McFarlane and passed unanimously.

3. Secretary's Report

This was compiled and read by the Hon Secretary, Brian McBride. Its adoption was proposed by Hal Sisk seconded by David McFarlane and passed unanimously.

4. Treasurer's Report and Accounts

This was compiled and read by the Hon Treasurer, David Clarke. The adoption of the Hon Treasurer's report was proposed by Frank Guy, seconded by Con Murphy and passed unanimously.

5. President

William Prentice proposed that George Henry remain as Class President. The proposal was seconded by David Thomas and passed unanimously.

6. Vice Presidents

The following are Wag Vice Presidents: Peter Wilson, Geoff Sarratt, David Sarratt (retiring), William Prentice, David Thomas and Vincent Delany. David McFarlane proposed that the VPs (with the exception of David Sarratt) be re-elected en bloc and this was passed unanimously.

7. New Vice President

David McFarlane proposed that Guy Kilroy replace David Sarratt as a VP. This proposal was passed unanimously.

8. Class Captain

William Prentice proposed that David McFarlane remain as Class Captain. The proposal was seconded by Brian McBride and passed unanimously.

9. Honorary Secretary

Hal Sisk proposed that Brian McBride remain as Honorary Secretary. The proposal was seconded by Stuart McBean and passed unanimously.

10. Honorary Treasurer

David Clarke has agreed to remain as Honorary Treasurer. His re-election was proposed by Cathy McAlevey, seconded by Peter Wilson and passed unanimously.

11. Ordinary Committee Members

The Ordinary Members of the Committee currently are: Kate O'Leary, Guy Kilroy, David McFarlane and David Williams. As the longest serving ordinary member, Guy Kilroy is due to retire. The re-election of the other ordinary committee members was proposed by, seconded by Michael Donohoe and passed unanimously.

12. New Committee Member

Guy Kilroy, being the longest serving member has agreed to step down. Hal Sisk was proposed as his replacement by Philip Maine and seconded by Michael Donohoe. The committee now consists of David McFarlane (Class Captain), Ian Malcolm, Kate O'Leary, Cathy McAlevey, Hal Sisk, Brian McBride (Hon Sec), David Clarke (Hon Treasurer) and David Williams.

13. Honorary Auditor

Suzie Nolan is the Honorary Auditor and has offered to stay on. David Clarke proposed her election and the proposal was passed unanimously.

14. 2015 Activities

April - Killinure Training Weekend. Cathy McAlevey arranged a very successful start of season session in 2014 and this will be repeated this year.

May 10 to 17 - 8 boats have booked to attend a classic boat regatta in the Golfe du Morbihan, Brittany, the first time the Wags have attended an event abroad since 1922. It is hoped that the new Wag being built in France will be launched at this event.

July - Volvo Regatta

August 23 to 26 - Dinghy Regatta, Crosshaven

15. AOB

Website - Frank Guy asked that we check the website is operational. It was agreed that the main use for the site was as a repository for static information such as photos, rules, calendar etc. Dynamic events like results and news should be handled through Facebook. There would be no need to have a FB account to access this information. Cathy agreed to provide a more prominent link to the classes FB page on the website.

French Wag - it was confirmed that the French built Wag has been measured twice successfully.

Cruise Ships in DunLaoghaire - This topic has gone quiet but the feeling was that it would be quietly abandoned as Dublin Port is spending a lot of cash to upgrade its facilities and will not allow DL to undermine that plan.

16. Retirement of David Sarratt as a VP

The class marked the retirement of David as a VP and previously Hon Sec and Hon Treasurer. Cathy presented David with a wooden book which she made with left over planking from Wag No 45, which she is currently building with jimmy Fury in Roscommon. She also thanked him for all the work he had put into rebuilding the class. David expressed his delight with the gift and said he wished to remain associated with the Wags.

17. Expression of Thanks

The meeting thanked Suzie Nolan for her work in auditing the accounts. The RIYC were also thanked for the use of the Library for the meeting. Brian McBride will write to thank both parties.

18. Next Committee Meeting

The next committee meeting will be held on March 23rd, 2015