

The AGM this year will be at the Clubhouse on Sunday 28th February, at 11.00am. We need you there to help conduct the regular business of the Club.

AGM Business

1. Apologies for absence;
2. Minutes of the previous meeting;
3. Matters arising;
4. Reports of Club Business: *Membership, Finance, etc;*
5. Events;
6. Approval of subscriptions for 2016/17: *the Committee recommends that all subscriptions for 16/17 remain as 15/16 - Individual £110, Family £155, Model Yachting £30, Student/Youth/Social £30. Junior is free, but a parent/guardian must be a social or full member. Board Storage remains £45. These amounts are shown on the 16/17 application/ renewal form, subject to agreement at the AGM;*
7. Appointment of Committee; *the Committee is currently: Dave Martin (Chair), John Lymer (Hon Sec), Mike Stemmer (Treasurer), Darren Kell (Membership Sec), Susan Benbow (Child Protection/Welfare Officer), David Kerr, Andy Pepper, Paul Norman, Dean Ball & Keith Partington (Model Yachting). All committee members resign and stand for re-election;*
8. Any Other Business: *matters raised from the floor. Members are asked to contact the Secretary before 14th February if they wish other formal proposals to be considered at the Meeting.*

[If you would like to stand for election to the Club's Committee please contact the Secretary at least 2 weeks before the AGM—we have vacancies!](#)

Numbers: Existing membership includes 68 adult windsurfing members, which is 2 down on 2014/15 so numbers are fairly stable. Our finances are healthy too.



Power and water

This month United Utilities are to start altering the water treatment system for the clubhouse. We hope the water supply will finally be reliable. Power should be okay too — the generator now works fine. Here's hoping 2016 brings a happy end to the saga!

The reservoir level was low for part of last Summer and Autumn. This started with spillway repairs in Spring and then rain didn't oblige enough. No such concerns now! We have a full reservoir, non-leaky spillway and are good to go for 2016!



Other activities on Sunday 28th February

Food & Working Party: After the Annual General Meeting we'll serve some free hot-pot and trimmings and a hot drink.

Then we'd like a bit of help for an hour or two. Nothing too hard — cleaning, tidying/de-cluttering, filling pot-holes, checking the boat over, lopping trees and maybe a few other simple tasks.

Looking back ...

In 2015, the Juice Boardsports and Robin Hood Watersports demo kit days went very well and were windy. We know members and visitors enjoy these a lot. The Robin Hood event was organised at 3 days notice—proof that it's worth trying different ways of doing things. The website and email are great for this. T15 (8 to 15 year olds) and NWWA adult racing were successful events too.

Our July Friends & Family Day was a big hit. 12 friends and family joined 25 members on a day when there was just enough wind for members and not too much for the less experienced. We plan a re-run in 2016. Let's hope it's every bit as good!

Membership Cards

Members will be issued with a membership card on receipt of their 2016/17 subscriptions/ form and then in May the Clubhouse door code .

What's new

Our website is up to date, but potential new members can't always find it! Changes from Feb 16 should make us much more visible on the internet.

Camping

We've set some dates, but will consider advance requests by members when it's windy.

Club Kit

Members and visitors/guests can use any of the club kit we have, except the Bic Technos and T15 rigs which remain for members' use only. You're still better off with your own stuff and we clearly don't have enough to go around! The Club kit is intended to help you out when you forget to bring something, or break it. But it's particularly useful to those new to windsurfing—they can build up their own kit slowly. In boards we have: beginners—floaty Tabou Coolriders & old longboards; intermediates and above—94 to 133 litre old shortboards & Bic Technos. Sails: 4.0 to 7.4m; for children we have these and 2.0 to 4.0m, plus the T15 rigs—4.5m, 5.5m & 6.8m. Masts: 370, 400, 430, 440 & 460cm. Selection of booms, mast extensions, bases and 2—3 harnesses. Please respect our kit like your own and put it back!



2016/17 Programme

Next year's varied programme has something for everyone!

Plans include: demo kit days, camping weekends with barbecues, fun races and social activities, a Friends & Family Day, adult racing, in-house coaching and away-days.

We're waiting to hear whether there'll be any T15 junior racing, or if it will all take place at Hollingworth instead.

We're looking for all members to provide a bit of help with maintenance during the year. Just a couple of sessions of, say, a couple of hours, fitted in around your windsurfing and other pursuits. Do your little bit then note it on the schedule please.

Check our website www.wpsc.org.uk soon for 2016 event details.



Along with this newsletter, please find:

Membership application form:

Please pay promptly, either at the AGM or not later than 1st April

Please note - we ask that all members fill in a membership form and we will only issue a membership card and combination code after we receive this.

Standing Order payers — please sign the form to demonstrate you've checked you have sufficient (£2 million) third party insurance cover. 3rd party cover is often included in household insurance policies, as long as it doesn't count windsurfing as a 'dangerous sport' — please check the small print or give them a ring. Otherwise, you can get a specialist policy from £13.95. *We've removed the Club's account details due to a fraud attempt.*



Please remember to ask all Sailing Visitors (except children and members' spouses) to pay £10, fill in a day ticket envelope and then you as a Member should sign the envelope too.

Please contact us about:

- ◆ Subs
- ◆ Board storage—a few slots available
- ◆ Volunteering to join the Committee
- ◆ Powerboat training if you're interested
- ◆ and any ideas or help you can offer!

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