

SASI Limited Board Meeting Number14

13th January 2024

Note – There are no minutes for Meeting No.13 which was solely to discuss/approve the announcement of the award of the St. Ayles Skiff World Championships to Stranraer Water Sports Association and was formalised in the issued Newsletter (November 2023)

Agenda Item	Precis	Actions
Welcome Claire	Background	Claire is currently Convener of North Berwick and was Ladies captain for NBRC at the first Worlds at Ullapool – she is now retired .
Correspondence	Nothing to Report	
Financial Statement/ Situation	£1897.00	2payments pending for 2 more prints
Safety / Security Notice	Fixed agenda item for future meetings	SCRA have received Incident Report Forms for three incidents - at Catterline, Faversham and Queensferry . Once a Safety Response has been promulgated by SCRA – the link will be forwarded to SASI for further distribution as appropriate
Website	Assistance	Max at present solely delas with the SASI Website with some assistance ion technical issues. BE had advised that there might be someone who she knew however the person is no longer available, Claire [CS] volunteered to assist Max with the administration of the website. Warmly welcomed, The Board mentioned that there were some items which needed tidying up – SkiffieWorlds 2022 and Crewfinder – these however are not down to SASI. The hosts would be approached when identified to remove any confusion,.
St Ayles Skiff World Championships 2025 Website	To be set up by the Worlds Host – SWSA [Stranraer WaterSports Association]	
St Ayles Skiff World Championships 2025	Categories	Discussion on previous Worlds Categories and whether those categories were appropriate. Decision – Andy to draft and distribute a Consultation Document covering the Topics of Race Categories – Drafted and Distributed for Comment/Approval
	Schedule	Schedule will be dependent on Categories and will be passed to local organisers towards the end of 2024.
	Races	Race structure – it was unanimously agreed that for Worlds 2025 the Course length will remain as 2 x 1000m – however it would be useful to assess the viability of a multi-lane 4 x 500m. This may be trialled using mid-point markers and also possibly for any Junior Categories. It was however noted that we would be requiring additional supervision and umpires. This would also mean that we require additional trained umpires
	Prizes/ Awards	Trophy for Junior participants discussed – included in Draft Consultation to NCAs document Overall Trophy – previously the Overall Champion had been assessed on best 6 Results – this to give smaller clubs opportunities to compete – this to be extended to 7 or 8 results for any tied clubs. Robert to circulate his previous proposal for allocation of points – further discussion and decision at another meeting. The Board formally agreed that medals for the 2025 Worlds will be provided by SASI and a suitable funding arrangement be organised probably through the sale of merchandise. This was in response to a discussion note from the SASI/SWSA Group and included whether entry fees should

		be levied – this is a topic which has yet to be fully discussed. It was however stated that the topic of an Entry Fee was something that the Host would progress in their budget meetings within the Group. There followed a general discussion on fees/ registration cards / identity cards – however this item to be deferred to another meeting for fuller discussion.
Build & Measurement Rules	SASI to formally approve and adopt the current Rules	SASI Board formally approved and adopted the current Rules through to and including the Worlds 2025 Notification of this has been included in the NCAs Consultation Document
Racing Rules	Proposed Review	It was proposed that the Board shall consult NCAs seeking any submissions for amendments – this also included in the Draft Consultation Document – distributed.
Succession Planning		Claire to formally replace Andy – Andy willing to remain as Minute Secretary but not a Board Member. It was agreed to include in the Consultation Document a request for NCAs to make Nominations for the post of Treasurer to replace Babs at the AGM 2024. As a side issue it was proposed that the 2025 SASI AGM be held at the Worlds .
International Development	At present – this item is being pursued through the Worlds	To be addressed at a later date.
Any Other Business	Clarification of Membership Fees	Andy has drafted and distributed for approval a 2024-2025 Membership Application form - this item to be addressed at the next meeting.
	Accommodation Lists Stranraer	Andy forwarded Wendi's list to board Members.
Date of Meeting	13/01/2024 Meeting Closed 11:35	Board Members present: - Max (MB), Babs (BE), 3Robert (RG), Topher (TD), Andy (ARR) Claire (CS) – Apologies from Kees and Lorrie

DRAFT CONSULTATION DOCUMENT



St Ayles Skiff International Limited SC690111

SASI – NCA Newsletter No.3 January 2024

St Ayles Skiff International (SASI) were pleased to formally announce that the 2025 St Ayles Skiff World Championship had been awarded to Stranraer Water Sports Association and will be held during the following dates Sunday 6th until Saturday 12th July 2025.

The SASI Board has approved and adopted the existing Measurement Rules for the 2025 Worlds

Since the first Worlds in Ullapool during 2013, the sport of St. Ayles Skiff Coastal Rowing has grown considerably and evolved and those who participate have developed.

As a result, SASI as the International Governing Body wishes to consult with the National Class Associations (NCA's) to ensure that the rules and Guidelines maintain relevance with the membership. To that end, SASI invites the National Class Associations participate in a number of issues which may require clarification and/or Association approval.

Items for consultation:-

- 1) International Racing Rules – whilst NCA's may adopt their own Racing Rules, SASI approve the Rules which will be in place for the St Ayles Skiff World Championships and we therefore seek submissions from NCA's for any amendments to the Rules which will be adopted for the 2025 Worlds . Submissions shall be in the form expressed in the current rules and shall be identified by the number of that particular rule. The whole section of the Rule shall be included.

NCAS to submit any proposed changes to the Rules of Racing

Submissions shall be made to the Secretary SASI (secretarystaylesskiffint@gmail.com) by the end of April 2024.

Attachment – Current Rules of Racing

- 2) Racing Categories - SASI are keen to ensure that the Racing Age Categories to be adopted for the Worlds 2025 should fully reflect the Ages and Categories of our rowing population . For the Kortgene Worlds, the choice of categories seemed to work reasonably well, please see attached table with Worlds Age Category Comparisons, however we wish to ensure that equal opportunities are available for all Age Groups . For example 40+ Rowers will be able to participate in 40+ Male or Female and 40+ Mixed, they may also be able to row in the Open Classes; however 50+ rowers will be able to row in the following 40+; 50+and Open. NCA's to submit to SASI age categories which they would consider appropriate for the 2025 Worlds. The final decision on which categories and possible schedule for Stranraer 2025 will be made towards the end of 2024.

NCAs to submit proposals for Age Categories for inclusion in the Worlds 2025 Schedule.

Please make your submission to the Secretary by the end of April 2024

Attachment Previous Worlds Categories

- 3) Category Prizes and Awards – Previously there have been medals for each category and an overall championship trophy – which have been provided by SASI and the Scottish Fisheries Museum (Respectively), however it has been suggested that there should be some particular recognition for the Junior participants in the form of a Junior Trophy –
 - should we therefore consider some form of award for those taking part in the older categories?
 - should these older and/or younger groups' results be included in the club points totals for the overall Championship Award?

We are very aware that there are points in favour of inclusion and exclusion and we would therefore wish NCA's to assist in this discussion. Please submit your proposals to the secretary by the end of April 2024"

SASI Board News and Information

We are pleased to announce that Claire Simpson has agreed to join the SASI Board to take over as Secretary and this will be formally approved at the 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Babs who has been our Treasurer since the inception of SASI is standing down from the Board during 2024 and we would wish NCA's to submit nominations for her replacement.

Please submit nominations by the end of April 2024

Andy Rendle

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Minute Secretary SASI

January 2024