

Hansa Class UK

A Charitable Incorporated Organisation, Charity Registered Number 1165467

The 2020 Annual General Meeting

The 2020 Annual General Meeting of Hansa Class UK was held at 5:30pm on Saturday 18th July 2020, on line using Zoom

Minutes

Total Number of full members present = 16
Email votes received = 1
Proxy votes received = 0

1. Chair's Welcome

Bob welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them all for coming.

2. Apologies

No apologies were received.

3. Minutes of 2019 AGM and Matters Arising.

There were no matters arising and the minutes were accepted as a true and accurate record of the 2019 AGM

4. Election of Trustees:

There is one retirement from the board of Trustees – Bob Scull (Chair).

- a. In accordance with the constitution, David Durston has been duly nominated by Ron Sawford and seconded by Ivor Barrett for the position of Chair on the Board of Trustees.
- b. **Resolution 1:** It is proposed that David Durston be elected to serve as Chair of Hansa Class UK.
 - i. The result of the vote was as follows: For = 17. Against = 0. Abstained = 0. The resolution was therefore carried
- c. In accordance with the constitution, Paul Phillips has been duly nominated by David Durston and seconded by Ron Sawford for the position of Treasurer on the Board of Trustees.
- d. **Resolution 2:** It is proposed that Paul Phillips be elected as a Trustee to serve as Treasurer of Hansa Class UK
 - i. The result of the vote was as follows: For = 17. Against = 0. Abstained = 0. The resolution was therefore carried

5. Elections to the Management Committee:

There is one retirement from the Management Committee – Bob Scull (Chair)

- a. In accordance with the constitution, Paul Phillips has been duly nominated by David Durston and seconded by Ron Sawford for the Hansa Class UK Management Committee position of Treasurer.
- b. **Resolution 3:** It is proposed that Paul Phillips be elected to serve on the HCUK Management Committee as Treasurer
 - i. The result of the vote was as follows: For = 17. Against = 0. Abstained = 0. The resolution was therefore carried

6. Hand over of chair:

- a. After the above voting Bob handed the chair over to the new Chair David Durston.
- b. David thanked Bob for his leadership over his three years as chair and said that throughout these years Bob has provided encouragement, support and a steady hand to all the charity's activities. Bob had, even before he took the chair, the idea that we could enable participation in our racing events for a lot of grass roots sailors and sailors who's own club could not get a boat for them to events. He worked passionately to bring this Idea to fruition. The scheme would provide six Hansa 303 boats, all the equipment to support them, a Van and Trailer to transport them to events and three years running costs.

It all seemed like a pipe dream but Bob stepped up to the mark, designed and costed the whole rig and pursued funders. After some time trying to attract the funds HCUK were led, via David's experience with his wheelchair Rugby club, to appoint corporate fundraisers. Bob took the lead in briefing them as they worked on funding the Support Unit and other projects. As soon as all necessary funds were in place Bob put all the plans into action. This included working with the funders, implementing and managing the scheme. Overseeing the building of the trailer, purchasing the van, boats and ancillary equipment, working out a boat booking system and later operating the Support Unit at two 2019 TT events.

It is now a great disappointment to us and we're sure to Bob that, for health reasons, he is not able to take an active part in running the Support Unit and has retired from Hansa Class UK. We hope he will gain a lot of satisfaction as he keeps an eye on how we use the resources/opportunities he has put into place.

David thanked Bob for everything he has done for us and wished him well with his operation and his retirement from HCUK. He then presented Bob with a Photo Book of Hansa Class UK memories, a lovely Hansa hand-made card and a gift for his retirement.

7. Chair's Report: To receive a report from the Chair of the board of Trustees for Hansa Class UK

The 2019 Annual report was circulated with the Notice of AGM. The report was unanimously accepted by the members present. **(See Appendix 1)**

David emphasised the following:

Providing the 17 Racing and Training events in 2019 we thank and greatly appreciate all the Host clubs and their volunteers that have put so much work into providing this for us. Also we thank all the Sailability groups and individuals that have enabled and supported their sailors to participate in our events. We have also been so well supported by the RYA and their RDO's in our training events, Together this is the massive commitment from them that underpins all our Hansa Class racing.

A special thanks to Moira and our Scottish host clubs for the continuing work they put into developing Hansa events in their area. This is an area that we are actively looking to support in the future.

Congratulations to our 'Hansa Team GB' team of sailors and volunteers who successfully competed in the European Championships, Portugal and achieved 3 podium places. Also a big thank you to Brett, who went with the team and, in his own time, provided coaching and support to our sailors and volunteers.

Thank you too for the new people on our officer team and committee, their input has made running the charity much easier.

This year we have been trying hard to keep everyone engaged during the Covid 19 lockdown. We are running two VR Racing Series and an Art competition, both sponsored by GUL. If anyone has any ideas of activities we could add to this please let David know.

Next year we plan to include the following:

- Secure funding for a smaller support unit for Scotland and the North. This is to address the underrepresentation in our sailing.

- Develop “grass roots” and “next level” training events.

Questions to the Chair:

1. Paul Pearson asked: What are our thoughts on 2021? :
 - a. David said things were still very unsure.
 - b. Ron suggested that we set our 2021 Racing programme with host clubs in the same way and timing as we usually do, encouraging host clubs to fix their dates. We do this knowing that some may need to be cancelled due to covid19 precautions but we will deal with them as we did in 2020. This was agreed.

8. Treasurers Report: To receive a presentation of the 2019 Annual Accounts from the treasurer and to receive and approve the accounts of Hansa Class UK for the period 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2019:

David presented the Accounts as circulated with the Notice of AGM (**see Appendix 2**) and talked us through the following highlights:

- Total opening balance = £40,501.43
 - Reliance project account - £26,423.42
 - Reliance current account – £10,069.34
 - Barclays savings account - £4,008.67
- Total closing balance = £53,293.55
 - Reliance project account - £38,153.52
 - Reliance current account - £11,123.36
 - Barclays saving account - £4,016.67
- Sources of income:
 - Professional fundraisers raised over £122k
 - Generous donation from Steve Kitson and David Durston (UNUM)
 - Contribution from RYA for support with Portugal, European Championships
 - Contributions from sailors using boats at the European Championships, and from those who benefitted from Brett Cokayne’s services as Coach.
 - IHCA Sail levies
 - Event entry fees £3 per boat
- Restricted funds
 - During 2019 we received £3k from the RYA for the purpose of supporting international events and training. Combined with the income received from sailors towards coaching and boat transportation, the balance set aside for International events and training now stands at £3,733.19 (31/12/2019).
 - A majority of the funds raised by the professional fundraisers are designated for the support unit project. This stands at £38,053.21 on 31/12/2019. £138,035.03 was spent on the project (including the cost of fundraising - £36,028.92)
 - Some grant givers specified that the money donated must be used for general running costs. On 31st Dec 2019, that amount stands at £4,345.20, down £393.40 from last year.

Questions to the treasurer:

1. Ivor asked: Are the corporate fundraisers still working for us?
 - a. David said they are and that Phil is directing them. David will check where we are with the fundraising with Phil. He also pointed out that the corporate fundraiser’s contract with us expires in July and we are hopeful that we can negotiate a new contract with them.
2. Pat asked: Is the £120k raised by them gross?
 - a. David confirmed that it was gross.

3. Fundraising Suggestion:
 - a. Alison told us of a charity that she works with that raises money from purchases through Amazon Smile and suggested that we do something similar.
 - b. David added to this his experience at Whitefriars Sailability of a similar scheme that works through on a multi-company basis.
 - c. David and Alison will take this discussion forward.

- a. **Resolution 4:** It is proposed that the accounts of the Hansa Class Association presented by the Treasurer are accepted and approved by the Members
 - a. The result of the vote was as follows:
For = 16. Against = 0. Abstained = 1. (The Treasurer) The resolution was therefore carried

9. Any other business:

1. The following thanks were given:
 - a. James thanked all of those at HCUK who are working hard to keep all the lockdown activities going and by doing so keeping ongoing active social and competitive participation.
 - b. Ron thanked David for his active leadership, particularly with our on VR events and also acknowledged the valuable contribution made to this by Nicky and Ivor.

2. David congratulated our VR sailors for their achievements in the qualifying rounds of the 2020 RYA eSailing Multiclass Championships, having got 7 HCUK sailors through to the finals.

These minutes are a true and accurate record of the Hansa Class UK 2020 AGM.

Signed - Trustee 1 Date

Signed – Trustee 2 Date

Appendix 1

Hansa Class UK
Annual Report January 1st – December 31st 2019

2019 was another busy year for Hansa Class UK with 17 racing and training events, beginning with the Frampton TT in April and ending with the Frensham TT and annual prize giving in September. This was then followed by the European Championships in Portugal in October.

Some difficulties were experienced in trying to find enough suitable venues for the Scottish series and the co-ordinator for these events is looking at ways to expand the range of events possibly by involving more clubs in the North of England and developing a ‘Borders ‘series of events.

Several race training events were run for both the Blue Fleet (novice) sailors and for our more experienced sailors, particularly those taking part in International events. Coaching was provided by both RYA Sailability and HCUK

coaches. The Blue Fleet training is already producing results by encouraging younger sailors to take part in our events. We have a good relationship with RYA Sailability and hope to continue working closely together in the future.

Thanks to the hard work of our fundraisers and the generosity of a number of funders, in May we were able to begin putting together the 6 boat 'Racing and Training Support Unit with the purchase of Transit van towing and equipment vehicle. The 'Road Trailer' followed in June. It was assumed that the unit would be ready for events by the end of June but unfortunately increasing demand for Hansa 303s meant that delivery was delayed until September, just in time for the final TT. This provided a good test of how the unit operated and a few adjustments were made before it was taken to Portugal for the European Championships.

At the European Championships 'Hansa Team GB' consisting of 18 sailors assisted by a fantastic team of dedicated volunteers performed brilliantly and returned home with a number of trophies.

During the year we managed to recruit several new committee members and this has resulted in a fairer distribution of the workload handled by some of the committee members particularly the Secretary. There is still more to be done but we are making progress.

We are in a reasonable financial position at present but as our events attract increasing numbers of sailors we will be looking to raise additional funds to purchase more training equipment plus additional boats and equipment to increase participation in our northernmost events. This will also result in an increase in our core funding requirement.

This has been a good year for HCUK with satisfying progress being made in several areas of our ongoing strategic plan.

Thank you to all our sailors who took part in our events in 2019. To all the volunteers who gave freely of their time and often strenuous effort to ensure the events ran smoothly and to the Management Committee for all the extra work they put in to ensure the continuing success of HCUK.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Bob Scull,

Chairman

Appendix 2:

Hansa Class Association (UK) Statement of Account for the period 1st January - 31st December 2019 Reliance Support Project Account

IN	OUT	
Balance B/F	£26,423.42	
09/01/19	The Pennycress Trust/Alfred H Knight	£1,000.00
09/01/19	Roger Vere Foundation/The Matthews Wrightson Charity Trust	£1,500.00
14/01/19	Corp Direct - Oct-Dec	£6,833.60
28/01/19	Donation S Kitson	£500.00
01/02/19	Sobell Foundation	£5,000.00
08/02/19	MBF Grant - transfer from current account	£72,509.00
12/02/19	The Leanne and Winston Newman Charitable Trust	£50.00
12/02/19	Deposit tow vehicle	£393.50
14/02/19	ZVM Rangoonwala Foundation	£1,000.00
20/02/19	The Emerson Foundation	£100.00
21/02/19	NFDS Donation	£2,500.00
05/03/19	The Tony Bramall Charitable Trust	£1,000.00
11/03/19	Debit card payments -> current account	£269.99
14/03/19	Lord Barnby's Foundation	£2,000.00
16/03/19	David Page Associates - Rigtube	£794.16

26/03/19	Van purchase (Vospers)		£27,270.40
31/03/19	Interest		£29.37
05/04/19	Corp Direct - Jan-Mar		£20,311.76
08/04/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£42.42
08/04/19	SS Marine - Deposit 6 x Hansa 303		£13,969.20
09/04/19	Van Insurance		£579.05
24/04/19	Hansa van graphics		£233.70
25/04/19	Tyche Charitable Trust		£5,000.00
03/05/19	Joan Braithwaite Sailing Trust/Steven Bloch Image of Disability		£5,500.00
07/05/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£174.15
09/05/19	MM Wyllie Charitable Trust		£10,000.00
30/05/19	MBF Grant - van graphics		£85.70
03/06/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£33.46
09/06/19	The Culra Charitable Trust		£500.00
10/06/19	Corp Direct - Apr-May		£3,758.39
28/06/19	6 Boat trailer		£2,950.00
30/06/19	Interest		£14.25
04/07/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£44.55
22/07/19	Corp Direct - Jun		£158.39
05/08/19	The Whirlwind Charity (Mobile unit project)		£5,000.00
08/08/19	Corp Direct - Jul		£1,238.39
14/08/19	Bruce Wake Charity (Enhance mobile support unit)		£10,000.00
29/08/19	Insurance - adjustment - boats		£160.02
06/09/19	SS Marine - 6 boats (balance)		£26,668.00
09/09/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£186.08
09/09/19	Corp Direct - Aug		£3,728.39
30/09/19	Interest		£14.18
07/10/19	Van insurance - additional drivers		£79.49
25/10/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£268.62
25/10/19	RIG tube and straps		£117.36
04/11/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£107.46
08/11/19	Cockpit outhaul upgrade - SS Marine		£295.80
18/11/19	Jelf - Boat insurance		£899.29
28/11/19	Jelf - Legal expenses		£9.50
02/12/19	Debit card payments -> current account		£36.49
31/12/19	Interest		£39.21
	Reallocating Restricted Funds	£26,423.42	
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	Total	£176,188.55	£138,035.03
	Available Balance		£38,153.52

Signed Treasurer

Date
