



# Wilsonian Sailing Club

**A RYA Champion Club**



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Dear Member,

The Annual General Meeting of the Wilsonian Sailing Club will be held at the WSC Clubhouse on Saturday 17 February 2018 commencing at 7.p.m. The agenda and list of nominee officers and assistants is attached.

## AGENDA

1. Commodore's opening remarks
2. Apologies for absence received from:
3. To approve Minutes of 2016 Annual General Meeting held on 25 February 2017 (**published in Spring 2017 copy of 31½ and still on club web site**)
4. Matters arising on these minutes
5. To receive the Accounts for the year to 31 December 2017, and receive the Treasurer's Report
6. To receive the Sailing Report
7. To receive other Committee Reports: Bosun, Club Dinghies, Training, House, Duties, Publicity and Website, Maintenance.
8. Members are asked to approve the General Committee recommendation that Ray Craddock and Stan Sprot be made honorary members.
9. Members are asked to approve the following rule change proposed by Martin Vinton, seconded by Brian White intended to try to fill the loss of members aged 18 years old and the failure to fill the gap with new members. This is a first step to lowering the average age of the club which is clearly essential for the sustainability of the club in the future.

Current rule:-

### **(iii) Student Members**

Student Membership is open to persons aged 18 years or over on the 1st January receiving full-time education. Student members shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of Full Membership. This class of membership may be extended to persons in a recognised low paid training post such as an apprenticeship at the General Committee's discretion.

Modified rule:-

### **(iii) Youth/Student Members**

*Youth/Student membership is open to persons aged 18 to 25 on 1st January and persons over the age of 25 years receiving full-time education. Youth/Student members shall enjoy all the rights and privileges of Full Membership. This class of membership may be extended to persons in a recognised low paid training post such as an apprenticeship at the General Committee's discretion.*

10. Members are asked to approve the following rule change proposed by Brian Lamb, seconded by Martin Vinton. intended to regularise the role of Support member which has been used in the club for some time.

Insert:-

**11. (d) Support member** - *A member who, in return for a reduced membership fee, performs additional work over and above the minimum duties required of all member (currently two Sunday duties during the main sailing season and one Winter Work Party duty). The scale of reduction in membership fees will be agreed by the General Committee which will review the appointment annually.*

11. To elect the Flag officers, Secretary, Treasurer, Sailing Secretary, Club Bosun, House Secretary, Members of the General Committee and appoint the Auditor.

12. Any other Business – any matters under this item of the Agenda cannot form part of the official business of the Meeting and thus may not be proposed as formal motions. This item is included solely to afford members an opportunity for informal discussion.

**Item 1.** The Commodore seeks the views of members on the, option, of payments of membership fees by direct debit. An RYA survey of clubs using this has found that it is attractive to younger members and reduces “churn”.

Closing Remarks by the Commodore