

# DINGHY CLASS MEETING SUMMARY

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2011

1. **PRESENT** Andy, Sophia & Georgia Panayi, James Baldwin, Rob, Rachel & George Shelley, Toby Thomas, Alex Harris, Jan Frickel, Mary Barratt, Ted Mount, Chris Adlington, James & Emily Stevenson, Ian Middleton, Andrew & Amanda Nowell, Alex Cunningham, Will Gale – Hasleham
2. **REVIEW OF RACING THIS YEAR**
  - a. **Courses** – For 2012 – use first lap from the blue book 2011 and repeat 3 times, then review at end of season. Plan for race length to be ideally last boat to finish in an hour.
  - b. **Number of races** – happy with numbers, drop July Series and keep all the rest the same. Sunday races need to be in morning esp if b2b & then gives owners time to pack up & take boat off beach if only down for the weekend.
  - c. **Safety** – Good to have had key safety lads all the summer – thank you Will & Alex. Next year needs to be better prepared & ensure safety boats on on water with all equipment checked & working at least 20 mins before race starts. So leave jetty 30 mins before race start.
  - d. **aob re racing** – **Pursuit races** a great success, good mixture of boats. Thank you to Ian Middleton for sorting start times etc. For 2012 make pursuit races 60 mins long. **Stickers** with map of bay & marks along with list of courses to place on boats would be helpful. **Dinghy Marks** still no change, to suggest that the Club invests in making these marks far more visible.
3. **SOCIAL, plan for 2012** – BBQ on beach – Saturday 11th August
4. **DRAFT CALENDAR FOR 2012** – see attached, timings will be put in by Club Captain on doing the Blue Book. Ted has offered to publish the Dinghy race times etc on the web, most people now have access to the internet via their phones so should make the info more readily available.
5. **CLASS 10/novice racing** – Fantastic job done by Andy Bale. Thank you Andy. More of the same next year + progression. Andy to liaise with Pete Richard over plans, dates/timings for 2012.
6. **RNLI RACES** – Thank you to Louise Baldwin for taking over these races this year. For 2012 to talk to Mike (sailing school) to see what can be done to encourage more sailors. Raised £50 for Abersoch RNLI.
7. **AOB** – comments made on timings surrounding other class races, as often will have dinghies finishing & others starting or other way round. Can be a major issue for the OOD especially. Again this year OOD's not turning up – could the Club look into getting a computerised rota system e.g. dutyman. The computer system at present is simple if used all the time, the problem being that if only doing one session a year it's appears not to be straight forward. Needs to be looked into by the Club in more detail.
8. **DATE OF NEXT CLASS MEETING**– Saturday 25th August 2pm, Commodore's Bar