

OGA - GMC Meeting Notes and Assignments
Videoconference, February 10, 2022 at 19:00

	Participants: Patrick Vyvyan-Robinson (President), Colin Stroud (Secretary), Mary Gibbs (Membership Secretary), Alison Cable (co-opted Boat Register), Rob Jarman (co-opted Gaffers Log Editor), David Bewick (co-opted Small Boats Secretary), Elly Howlett (co-opted Online Editor), Not attending: Tony Kiddle (Treasurer), Julian Cable (co-opted Boat Register)	
	Recruitment/Promotion:	
1	(ACM Assignment) Small laminated printed promotional cards to be produced and distributed to Areas for attaching to boats to attract potential members..... For March 17 meeting, Alison to draft proposed content, based on 2021 leaflet. Rob to investigate a plastic-free waterproof paper.	AC, RJ
2	(ACM Assignment) To ensure more consistency, in how we define who we are, some examples of standard wording will be produced..... For March 17 meeting, Rob to ask Robert Simper for his views.	RJ
3	Elly to investigate if an app could be useful for recruiting.	EH
	Small Boats:	
4	Both David and Patrick to remind Areas to keep David informed of SB events.	DB, PVR
5	David to pursue moving all Gaffling 4.1 web pages to the oga.org.uk domain.	DB
	Membership:	
6	Tony to implement a system in GOLD allowing members to receive communications from selected Area(s), in addition to the one they are a member of and Julian to ensure this additional data is mirrored in Mailchimp	TK, JC
7	Once the above is completed, Mary to communicate to Members and update Gold with any requests from Members.	MG
8	Julian to provide Tony with details of these two issues: - • The permanence of membership numbers and GOLD ids. • A secure API for membership data. (Application Programming Interface)	JC
	Website/Online/WhatsApp:	
9	(ACM Assignment) The GMC will investigate an OGA crewing offer/wanted facility. Julian to provide status at March 17 meeting.	JC
10	(ACM Assignment) All Areas to have a WhatsApp admin person and with contact details on their Area website page and Rob to publish a short text in the spring Log containing those contact details and explaining how to use. The default contact will be the Area Secretaries..... Colin to double check with Area Secs that they will be the contact person. Patrick to produce an article for the spring Log.	RJ CS PVR
11	(ACM Assignment) More frequent updates of the Website home page.....Elly.	EH
12	(ACM Assignment) Consider integration/linkage of Facebook page with Website home page..... Based on Tony's advice it was decided that the existing Facebook link on the OGA Home Page is sufficient and that live linkage would add too much clutter and detract from the main content. Assignment closed.	

13	Elly to chase Christina to see if she is still interested in taking on the Online role.	EH
14	Boat Register: (ACM Assignment) Facility to be investigated for the Area pages of the Website to show/highlight boats from the Boat Register that are in their Area.....Julian to enable a facility that all Areas may use if they wish.	JC
15	Patrick to raise the issue of some BC Area Members' boats' photographs on the BC webpage do not have credits.	PVR
16	Alison to review the wording in the Copyright section of the Handbook for OGA Officers and, if necessary, provide new wording for Colin to put in the Handbook.	AC
17	Gaffers Log and 2022 Year Book: Colin to send a Mailchimp email to all members requesting they check their entries in the Boat Register and send feedback to Alison to update/correct before the February 25 Yearbook deadline.	CS AC
18	(ACM Assignment) Print an extra 200+ copies of each issue of the Gaffers Log during 2002 for use in recruiting new members during the OGA60 events.....Patrick and Rob to decide where to store them.	RJ, PVR
19	(ACM Assignment) Ensure Members give consent to their contact details being printed in the Gaffers Log Boats For Sale section..... Alison.	AC
20	Elly to propose a photograph for the front cover before February 25.	EH
21	OGA60 including RBC60: (ACM Assignment) The OGA60 events registration process to be available from April 2022 with a £15 "commitment" fee, for which the applicant will receive an OGA60 flag..... Alison to draft a registration form for Patrick to review with the OGA60 subcommittee then pass to Tony to produce.	AC, PVR TK
22	(ACM Assignment) The OGA60 flag will be  (as proposed by Paul Jolly and produced by our existing merchandise supplier, of "event" quality and printed on one side with the standard OGA blue background).	
23	(ACM Assignment) The GMC will initiate an RBC2023 WhatsApp group. Will be implemented closer to the event.	
24	OGA Governance, Officers' Handbook, etc.: Tony to review draft Handbook for the GMC document and provide comments ASAP.	TK
25	Colin to investigate how the Secretaries document store can be accessed by other GMC members.	CS
26	(ACM Assignment) A process and criteria for "President's Commendations" will be defined and included in the Handbook for OGA Officers..... Patrick, then Colin to produce a certificate template.	PVR, CS

AOB:

Patrick to inform AC of the plan to wind-up the NI Area.

ACM Assignments not assigned to the GMC (listed here to keep all assignments in one place!)

Pat Conway (President NI Area) and Gerry Brennan (Secretary) to resign from their posts and will write to all NI Area Members seeking volunteers to run the Area or the Members will be given the opportunity to merge with the DB Area or choose to join another Area.

All Areas to ensure Alison has the dates and locations for their OGA60 Party Ports so these can be published on the Website.

All Areas to inform Small Boat Secretary of all planned SB events.

Areas to submit RBC60 funding requests to the Association Treasurer during first half of 2022 and a proposal will be made to the AC on how funds may be allocated.

All Areas to have a WhatsApp admin person and with contact details on their Area website page and Rob to publish a short text in the spring Log containing those contact details and explaining how to use. The default contact will be the Area Secretaries.

Keith McIlwain to organise presentation of Elder Gaffer flag to David Grainger in first half of 2022.

We should aim to exhibit at the 2022 Southampton Boat Show, September 16 to 25. Sue P. to investigate the opportunity for Associations to exhibit as in previous years.

Assignment on hold:

(ACM Assignment) There should be an article in the Gaffers Log providing a basic and simple tutorial of the Racing Rules to encourage more entrants in races..... on hold.

Rob and Patrick to compose/commission an article about the benefits to the OGA of our RYA Affiliation in the Spring issue of the Log..... On hold until 2023.

The meeting finished at 20:27

The next GMC videoconference will be on March 17, 2022 from 19:00 to 20:30

Join Zoom Meeting: -

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Passcode, if asked, is: - GMC

Colin Stroud - Association Secretary
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