

## **AGM 2022**

**Minutes of the 83<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Meeting held at Sutton Dinghy Club on Monday 5th December 2022.**

Commodore Ciara O'Tiarnaigh took the chair.

In Attendance

there were 24 people attending and the list is attached.

### 1. Apologies

Apologies were noted for the following people,

Melenie Knieff, Ed Fleming, Vanya Sargent, Mark Masterson, Saoirse Kelly, David Mulhall, Fionn Mulhall & Ruan O'Tiarnaigh, .

### 2. Minutes of the Annual General meeting of 2021

The Minutes of the 2021 AGM had earlier been circulated and the meeting did not require that they be read out.

No further comments or amendments were noted and the Minutes were unanimously adopted by the meeting.

### 3. Matters Arising

No matters were noted as arising.

### 4. Commodores Address

The Commodore, Ciara O'Tiarnaigh, addressed the meeting and a copy of her address is set out below.

In addition to her Report details, Ciara also advised of the more recent and positive news of the Club being successful in securing a grant of €6,500/ €7,000 from the Howth Sutton Lions Club towards the funding of the purchase of an accessibility sailing dinghy with thanks to all concerned.

The Commodores report was proposed for acceptance by Muriel O'Tiarnaigh and seconded by Aidan Henry.

The Commodores Address was adopted by the meeting.

### 5. Sailing Report

Conor Clarke on behalf of the Sailing Secretary, Eimear Shanahan presented the Sailing Report including Class Reports detailing the Club's activities and sailor successes of the year. A full copy of this is set out below.

Dick Dunne commented that it is noteworthy Hugh Gill had this year completed 25 years service as the CE Supervisor in the Club with the resultant positive benefits accruing to the Club throughout this time.

Muriel O'Tiarnaigh complemented everyone involved on Committees and as Volunteers on how well the Club had been run this year. She adding however, that it was a little disappointing that the Annual Regatta had lacked Senior Sailor participation with principally only Junior & Youth Sailors on the water sailing.

The report was proposed for acceptance by Andy Johnston and seconded by Carol Blay.

The Sailing Report was adopted by the meeting.

## 6. Financial report

The Honorary Secretary, Jim Lambkin presented the Annual Accounts for 2022 on behalf of the Honorary Treasurer, Brendan O'Brien who has a conflicting engagement this evening.

The key observations were:

- Subscriptions & Hard Fees income has trended downwards and this is also evident in Membership figures summary.
- While there is a Sailing Events deficit this year, this reflects the Club having undertaken a number of high profile events with no entry fee, namely the annual Book Trophy Race with Royal Cork Yacht Club and All Ireland Sailing Champions Cup.
- Summer Sea Sessions activities continue as the most important contributor to the Club's income line.
- The outcome for Adult & Junior Training remains at a consistent level.
- The Sports Capital Grant drawdown for the Club Development is the majority of figure under Other Income.
- Administrative Expenses are in the main consistent with last year figures.
- The Club's cash position remains strong as evidenced on the Balance sheet.

Andy Johnston commented that the lower membership figure is possibly reflective of the numbers having fallen back a peak in the Covid 2020 year, when restrictions prevented foreign travel and holiday.

Charles Sargent added that there is possibly some element switching in categories of membership, for example Family to Ordinary.

It was noted too that the Irish Sailing payment figure reflects the previous year's 2021 membership numbers.

Peter Knieff suggested that in the current economic climate there should be renewed focus on energy costs in the Club with a view to energy consumption reduction and sustainability options.

To questions from Charles Sargent and Trevor Blay on Club Development expenditure, Jim clarified that this expenditure is shown directly as a Fixed Asset addition in the Accounts under Note 2 and is amortised then over the assets lifetime as Depreciation in the Income & Expenditure account.

The report was proposed for adoption by Charles Sargent and seconded by Trevor Blay.

The Finance Report was adopted by the meeting.

## 7. Election of Club Officers

Those nominations for Club Officers which had been received subject to the conditions of submission as set out in our constitution and which had been circulated with the notice of meeting (copy attached) were read out by the Hon Secretary as follows:

<b><u>Office for 2023</u></b>	<b><u>Nominee</u></b>	<b><u>Proposer</u></b>	<b><u>Seconder</u></b>
<b>Commodore.....</b>	<b>Ciara O'Tiarnaigh</b>	Ian McCormack	Jim Lambkin
<b>Vice-Commodore.....</b>	<b>Gordan Kelly</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Muriel O'Tiarnaigh
<b>Hon. Secretary.....</b>	<b>Jim Lambkin</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Ian McCormack
<b>Hon. Treasurer.....</b>	<b>Brendan O'Brien</b>	Jim Lambkin	Gordan Kelly
<b>Sailing Secretary.....</b>	<b>Eimear Shanahan</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Hugh Gill
<b>Membership Secretary.....</b>	<b>Carol Blay</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Jim Lambkin
<b>Junior Affairs Officer.....</b>	<b>Mandy Kelly</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Ian McCormack

There being no other nominations these nominees were deemed to be elected.

#### 8. Election of Committee Members

Those nominations for Committee Members which had been received subject to the conditions of submission as set out in our constitution and which had been circulated with the notice of meeting (copy attached) were read out as follows:

<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Stephen Boyle</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Jim Lambkin
<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Conor Clarke</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Ian McCormack
<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Kirk Durnford</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Ian McCormack
<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Charles Sargent</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Jim Lambkin
<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Michelle Rowley</b>	Ciara O'Tiarnaigh	Hugh Gill
<b>Committee Member.....</b>	<b>Sinead Harte</b>	Mandy Kelly	Conor Clarke

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#### 9. Election of Honorary Auditors

It was proposed to retain the Company of Garland Mc Donald & Co Ltd. as Honorary Auditors. This was proposed by Jim Lambkin and seconded by Charles Sargent. It was put to the meeting and adopted unanimously.

#### 10. Subscriptions

In the light of the cost of living crisis it had earlier been proposed by the Hon treasurer to leave the membership subscription rates for 2023 unchanged from 2022, namely Ordinary €205, Family €305 and Youth €100.

This was seconded by the Commodore Ciara O'Tiarnaigh.

It was put to the meeting and adopted unanimously on a show of hands.

#### 11. Any Other Business

Ian McCormack, after a number of years on Committee and as Commodore expressed his thanks to all in the Club and added that Sutton Dinghy Club is a great Club to be associated with and that it was great now to be back in the newly refurbished clubhouse.

Peter Knieff added his congratulations to Hugh Gill for completing 25 years as Community Employment Supervisor.

Mandy Kelly commented on the demands for Rescue Boat Maintenance and the need to plan and co-ordinate this particular during the busy summer season part of the year when demands on equipment are high.

There being no other business the meeting concluded at 21.06.

Notes: The General Committee met on 11 occasions in 2021 with a number of other meetings by Sailing Committee and other sub groups for various organisation aspects.

Jim Lambkin  
Hon Secretary  
8th December 2022

Attendance:

Ciara O'Tiarnaigh (Commodore)  
Jim Lambkin  
Muriel O'Tiarnaigh  
Ian McCormack  
Conor Clarke  
Billy Bebbington  
Harry Gallagher  
Aidan Henry  
Kirk Durnford  
Gordan Kelly  
Stephen Boyle  
Mandy Kelly  
Charles Sargent  
Hugh Gill  
Dick Dunne  
Andrew Judge  
Darragh Clarke  
Shannon Clarke  
Peter Knieff  
Trevor Blay  
Carol Blay  
Andy Johnston  
Michelle Rowley  
Katie Dwyer

## Commodore Report to AGM

SDC COMMODORES ADDRESS AGM 5th DECEMBER 2022 Good evening fellow members. As Commodore, on my behalf and behalf of the Committee, I would like to welcome you and thank you for attending Sutton Dinghy Clubs Annual General Meeting 2022. It is indeed a pleasure to welcome you in person, after the Pandemic prohibiting 'in person' meetings for the last couple of years. It is also a pleasure to welcome you to our newly refurbished Clubhouse, which I hope you will agree is looking fantastic. Firstly, I would like to remember and acknowledge the passing of members, friends and family members of the Club, in the past year. I would particularly like to mention: Margaret McCormack, mother of former Commodore of SDC Ian McCormack; former Commodore of SDC Tony Clery; Muriel McDonnell, mother of Jimmy McDonnell, one of our CE Project staff members; Charm Rudd, sister of Gerry, Charles, Ian and Aideen Sargent; Tom Caffrey; and the tragic and untimely loss of Ethan Banks. May they all Rest in Peace and our condolences to their families. Well, while the Sutton Dinghy Club sailing season started with the first club race on 10th of April, your Committee worked tirelessly throughout the winter months, ensuring the clubs readiness for the season. Having been granted a Sports Capital Grant in 2019, and all progress being halted by the Pandemic, we finally got work underway last Autumn....this was following an extension to the date of the drawdown deadline of the Grant being secured by our treasurer, Brendan O'Brien, for which we are most grateful. Di A Club Development sub committee was set up last Autumn to manage the club renovation project. This sub group met EVERY Friday morning at 9.00am with the builder, to oversee the works; address any issues; make any decisions required and to ensure that the project was completed to the satisfaction of all. I hope you will agree that our new Clubhouse IS the envy of many sailing clubs, with our uninterrupted views of Dublin Bay and the coastline from Sutton Creek the whole way around to Dalkey, The nighttime skyline is particularly spectacular as you can see here tonight. I hope you will agree that the time we gave to the planning and execution of the project was well spent??!! We had a full schedule of Club Racing and Club Championship Racing throughout the season, and, while a lot of our racing was blown out, the racing that did take place was well supported. Our Oppie fleet continues to grow in numbers and enthusiasm. Our Oppie sailors attended many away events throughout the season bringing their enthusiasm with them. It was great to see sailors who only started racing at the beginning of the season, developing the confidence to race in open events. Ella Fitzgerald of the Topper fleet, represented the club at many events during the season with some great results( details to follow), so congratulations and well done to Ella. The IDRAs from SDC once again represented the club well at several open events The GP14 fleet from SDC also once again represented the club well at several open events, the culmination of which were The GP14 World Championships which were hosted by Skerries Sailing Club in August. Sutton Dinghy Club had 10 boats and crews racing under the club burgee...the only club in the world to have that number of representatives. As a consequence, and in acknowledgment of this fact, I and the SDC Committee, hosted a "Send off" at the club on Saturday 6th August for the crews and their nearest and dearest. A great night was had by all. Our Annual Regatta was next on Saturday 27th August which saw....sailors/ boats take to the water to compete. On September 10th, our fellow sailors travelled up to Sutton Dinghy

Club to compete for the coveted Book Trophies...both Junior and Senior. This is the oldest team racing event in the world, and has been raced between Sutton Dinghy Club and Royal Cork Yacht Club, annually(with the exception of 8 years...2 being COVID related) , since its inauguration in 1944. There have only been 8 years out of the 78 years when it did not take place...2 years due COVID and 6 due.... The racing was very exciting, resulting in RCYC taking the honours in the Junior Event and Sutton Dinghy Club regaining the title in the Senior Event ...thus retaining 'The Book' itself. The Book itself is a beautiful piece, and well worth a look if any of you haven't seen it or, for those who have, would care for a trip down a sailing memory lane! In October, Sutton Dinghy Club had the honour of being chosen as the host club for The All Ireland Sailing Championship. This is an extremely prestigious event and we were delighted to host it. The event saw the Champions of all the Senior fleets in Ireland compete against one another, in neutral dinghies, to find the Champion of Champions. Sutton Dinghy Club were very well represented with Dan Gill, Michelle Rowley This year the event was raced in GP14s. While it should have been a two day event, the weather forecast for the Sunday was dreadful, so the PRO and his Committee tailored the event so that it would be completed in one day. It was a very exciting event both from a competitive perspective and also from a spectator perspective, and saw Ger Owens and Melanie Morris from RStGYC lift the coveted silver salver. The ISA hosted dinner that evening in The Marine Hotel and paid considerable credit to Sutton Dinghy Club for our facilities, our hospitality, and our expertise on the water...rescue, course laying and committee boat personnel, resulting in a fantastic event. May I take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in making the event such a success and showcasing our club in such a great light. The Sailing Secretary's report will cover this in more detail and I would like to thank our Sailing Secretary Eimear Shanahan for her report, and for her tireless efforts since taking over the role of Sailing Secretary last May. Our Our Junior Affairs Officer Mandy Kelly and her team coordinated several Supervised Sailing and Buddy Sailing evenings which were well attended and much appreciated by all. Mandy has been the driving force in pursuing an Accessible Sailing Dinghy for the club, to increase our inclusivity in sailing to all who may be interested. Last week Mandy, along with Charles Sargent, met with representatives of The Howth Sutton Lyon's Club and successfully secured 50% funding for an Accessible Sailing Dinghy for Sutton Dinghy. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mandy for her unwavering efforts throughout the season.

### **Sailing Committee AGM Report 2022**

*Report compiled by Eimear Shanahan (SDC Sailing Secretary) in conjunction with Conor Clarke and Class Captains.*

Firstly on behalf of the committee I would like to thank Peter Knief for his roles on the club's committee since 2017, organising the rescue roster and as our Sailing Secretary since 2020. His work and dedication during his tenure in the posts are greatly appreciated. We should also mention the two BBQ Bonfires he organised on the beach during the year with his

famous pizza dough bread on a stick which provided a great experience and fun for the junior sailors.

We welcome back Eimear Shanahan as Sailing Secretary, after her recent years working at HYC. She previously held this position in the club and commenced again in May this year. She is very experienced in club administration /event management, and last year became registered with Irish Sailing as a Regional Results Manager. Eimear is a behind the scenes person, hence I am presenting the sailing report tonight.

We wish to thank all our club volunteers including the rescue boat drivers and crews, the race officers, results officials, BBQ experts, etc. Without the dedication and hard work of this small team throughout the year the club could not function. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

The committee wishes to offer particular thanks to Andy Johnston (recently retired from committee) who among many other duties runs the club's social media updates on the Website and Facebook pages, processes the racing results and manages the club trophies.

We would like to invite more members to come forward and get on-board in any suitable roles. We always need additional Rescue Boat drivers and crew and members to get involved in Event planning/Catering/Race results/ Launch & Retrieval, etc. If you are interested in being more involved, please email the club or approach any of the committee members. We need you!

As we emerged from the pandemic with a certain degree of trepidation, 2022 turned out to be another record year for learning to sail at SDC. Many thanks to Hugh Gill and his instructor team headed by Saoirse Kelly and Jane Hunter. They were assisted by an amazing team of instructors who provided fun and learning on the water throughout the summer. There were 108 places for member's children who participated in the 3-Week courses and 458 places on the 1-Week Open Courses.

We would also like to thank all our members and sailors who continued to attend the club, despite COVID restrictions and lack of access to the clubhouse while it was being renovated.

### **Racing 2022**

The sailing season in SDC kicked off with an Easter Egg race on Easter Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> April. We had 7 Boats racing in 3 Mixed Fleet (PY) races and another 5 out for a sail, in lovely sunny but very shifty conditions. Commodore Ciara presented Easter Eggs to the winners of this inaugural event.

### **Fireball Ulster's**

The club hosted the Fireball Ulster's on 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June. The Fireball Class is celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary this year and were extremely appreciative of SDC for offering to hold the event when they were having issues finding a host venue. There were 13 boats racing over the two days and SDC was represented by Conor Twohig and Matthew Cotter. Six races were held in total and the feedback from the class with regard to the race management and hospitality was extremely complementary.

### **SDC Junior Regatta**

The Junior Regatta was held this year on 27<sup>th</sup> August. We had an overall entry of 42 boats with 13 visitors. Sailing conditions were glorious with blue skies and a steady breeze. The largest fleet was the Optimist class with 20 Boats including 7 visiting boats. They raced on an inner course from the club starting line. The other classes sailed out in the bay, with Jim Lambkin as OOD, where we had 12 Toppers (5 Visitors), 8 Lasers (1 Visitor) and 2 RS Fevas.

### **Book Trophy**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> September SDC hosted the annual Book Trophy match racing event against RCYC. The Junior Team was represented by Ciarán Durnford/Piers Hallwood, Finn O'Doherty/Cathal Langan, Ella Fitzgerald/Sean O'Connor. The Senior Team was represented by Dan Gill/Michelle Rowley, Stephen Boyle/Ella Fitzgerald, Peter Boyle/Finn Doherty.

SDC won the Seniors 2-1, but unfortunately the Junior team lost to a strong RCYC, 3-0.

### **Champion's Cup (formerly the Helmsman's Championship)**

The club hosted the 2022 Champions Cup on 8<sup>th</sup> October. It was the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Irish Sailing's most prestigious and longest running event. Formerly known as the Helmsman's Championship this year it was sailed in GP14s. Former Class President Stephen Boyle organized a very strong fleet of 10 borrowed boats. There were 16 helms representing various classes who raced in 2 flights of 8, with 2 spare boats available in the event of gear failure or damage. Originally scheduled as a 2 day event, a dreadful forecast for Sunday saw the competition reduced to a single days racing. Ger Owens with crew Mel Morris were eventually crowned champions after a wonderful day's competitive sailing.

## **Frostbites**

The Frostbites Series kicked off on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October. Due to strong winds there was only racing over 2 weekends with 4 races in total. We had 11 Optimists Racing and 3 boats in the PY Class.

## **Optimist Class:**

The Optimist class was very well represented at away events this year. We had boats at most of the IODAI open events including the Leinster Championships in Skerries SC (18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June), the Connaught Championships in Galway Bay Sailing Club (9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> July), the National Championships in Royal St George (11<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> August) and the Ulsters which were held in Howth YC on (10<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> September). The class picked up a number of prizes at the various events in the Regatta Fleet (Ethan Harte and Robbie Clarke), Bronze and Silver Fleets (Thomas Judge). The class was also well represented the Malahide YC Junior Regatta in October.

Aoife Clarke, was part of the IODAI U12 Oppi Development Squad where she participated in a number of training events in Lough Ree and the National YC.

During the Halloween break we organised some dedicated coaching for the class with Saoirse Kelly and Aoife McMahon (HYC), which was very well attended and a great finish to the season. Following the coaching there was Pizza and a Halloween party!

## **Topper Class**

We have a great fleet of Toppers in SDC which will be supplemented next year by a couple of our Oppi Sailors progressing into the larger boat. At the moment we only have one SDC Topper sailor, Ella Fitzgerald, regularly travelling to the regional events. She has however competed at the highest level and this year alone has attended: Northern Championships: 2<sup>nd</sup> overall, 1<sup>st</sup> girl; Southern Championships 9<sup>th</sup> Overall/2<sup>nd</sup> girl, Traveller 1 (Kinsale) 2<sup>nd</sup> overall/ 1<sup>st</sup> girl; Traveller 2 (Lough Erne) 2<sup>nd</sup> overall 1<sup>st</sup> girl; Traveller 3 (Wicklow) 4<sup>th</sup> overall/1<sup>st</sup> girl.

She also travelled to Italy where she competed in the Topper Worlds Championships in Lake Garda. She was very unfortunately involved in a pre-race collision which resulted in a concussion and a fractured jaw however she still managed to qualify for the Gold Fleet and finished 63<sup>rd</sup> out of 144 boats. She is ranked 4<sup>th</sup> in National Rankings for 2022. What a Sailor !!

The Topper World Championships are being hosted in RCYC in 2023, so we will be actively encouraging more of our Topper Sailors to participate in racing and attend away events.

### **Laser (ILCA) Class**

The Laser class has great numbers SDC particularly in the 4.7 (ILCA 4) and Radial (ILCA 6) rigs. They have actively participated in club racing throughout the year. There is great potential to see more outclub racing in 2023

We had a number of sailors representing the club at away events. Sean O' Connor and Ciaran Durnford attended the Leinster Championships in the Royal St. George YC (July 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> ). They completed all races in challenging conditions which they described as survival rather than racing!

Oisín Kelly attended the end of season Laserevent in the National Yacht Club. He raced over two days and finished 5<sup>th</sup> overall/2<sup>nd</sup> Boy in the ILCA 4 class. He is currently representing the club in the Frostbitewinter series in HYC.

### **GP14 Class**

2022 was a great season for Sutton GP14 Sailors in many respects. The club was well represented at the many GP14 Championships throughout the season with Peter & Stephen Boyle continuing to rise through the fleet scoring a 2<sup>nd</sup> in both the Spring Open and the Ulster Championships and a 4<sup>th</sup> in the National Championships.

Making a great stride forward and showing the benefit of a concerted training campaign were Conor Twohig and Matthew Cotter who regularly won the Silver League at the various Championships and topped the table with 1<sup>st</sup> Place in the Silver League in the season's table.

Our Club was also represented at the UK National Championship by Peter & Stephen, Ruan and Rebekkah and also Hugh & Dan who finished on a high with a 6<sup>th</sup> place overall.

The highlight of the year was the World Championships with 9 boats representing Sutton and not to forget the O'Tiarnaigh family who had 4 sailors competing. Great results with 4 Sutton boats in the top 20 and Conor & Matthew again taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Silver Fleet with a very commendable 21<sup>st</sup> Overall.

Other points of note:

GP 14 helm Katie Dwyer has moved onto the Board of Irish Sailing and her crew Michelle Rowley is taking a seat on the SDC Committee

We are also very proud to note that Andy Johnston has been elected President of the GP14 Class Association of Ireland and regularly contributes to the business of the International Association.

The 2023 National Championship will be held at Sutton Dinghy Club so a great opportunity for our sailors to compete on home waters.

## **IDRA 14 Class**

The IDRA 14 Class at Sutton had a less active year in 2022 than hoped. After competing in the Northern Championships at Rostrevor in May, Covid-19 and overseas travel meant that Charles Sargent's 126 "Smurfette" spent the rest of the season ashore. That left three Fourteens active on the water in Sutton: Alan Carr in 38 "Starfish", Gordan Kelly in 129 "Del" and Eimear Fleming in 157 "Chimera".

Alan and his crew Ethan Banks led the Sutton fleet at away events, flying the flag at the Lough ReeClinkerfest, the Dublin Bay Regattas and the National Championships in Foynes Yacht Club where they achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> Place overall, with Eimear Fleming finishing in 11<sup>th</sup> place. The most significant event of the 2022 season for the IDRA 14 Class was the celebration of its 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in Clontarf Yacht & Boat Club, postponed since 2021 due to Covid. Both current and former Sutton IDRA 14 sailors gathered with those from other Clubs for a windy, wet but thoroughly enjoyable celebration.

Alan and Ethan brought their boat to Clontarf to compete in the annual Autumn Series in September, but tragically Ethan passed away very suddenly in October after contracting meningitis. The IDRA 14 sailors from all Club joined their Sutton friends to mourn the loss of such a bright young star of the Irish sailing world.

## **Buddy Sailing**

SDC are the only club that host accessible sailing for people with intellectual disabilities. A disability awareness briefing is given to all juniors that participate in volunteering at the sessions. It's a two way sharing experience.

We had four visiting groups this season for buddy access sailing: Downs Syndrome Dublin, Rahney All Stars, CRC young adult training centre and day services. Specialised boats were borrowed compliments of the Royal St George YC and Ian French.

We have recently made an application for funding from Howth/Sutton Lyons club to support the purchase of our own 303 Hensa boat for SDC.

## **New for 2023**

We hope to revive "Team Racing" in the club next season. We will be looking for sailors in both Junior (Under 18) and Seniors to participate. We will be offering training and coaching in team racing. It is a very tactical form of racing and would be suitable for many sailors in the club. We plan to use the TRs (double handed boats), so we'll be looking for both helms and crews.

The Club Sailing Calendar will be reworked. We will be using the Google Calendar but it will only show the times (FG) of races each week (not the High Water times). This will also be integrated into the club website. This should make it clearer for members.

As you may know the Saoirse broke her mooring in heavy winds a few months ago. It was damaged beyond repair and the club are now looking for a suitable replacement for use as a committee boat.

We are also looking to replace the club tractor, which has provided many years of loyal service but is now starting to show its considerable age. If any member is interested in the tractor for pursuing a career as a farmer, please contact Gordon.

Lastly we would encourage Active sailors who attend away events to get a key to the boat yard so they can access to their boats when the club is not open. These keys can be sourced through the club office.

## **Sailing Committee 2022**

Eimear Shanahan (Sailing Secretary)	Charles Sargent (IDRA 14s)
Ciara Mulhall (Commodore)	Conor Clarke (Optimists)
Gordon Kelly (Vice Commodore)	Des Fitzgerald (Toppers)
Jim Lambkin (Hon Secretary)	Hugh Gill (GP14s)
Ian McCormack	Kirk Durnford
Stephen Boyle	Mandy Kelly (Lasers & Buddy Sailing)