



HYSTS Management Committee / Trustee's Annual Report for 2017 Season

Steve Staples – Chairman

During the 2017 season HYSTS has enjoyed the support of nine new very welcome adult volunteers who came forward following an advertising campaign at the end of the 2016 season. These nine have brought a range of valuable experience into HYSTS enhancing the skill base and making a significant contribution to the running of HYSTS sailing sessions. One has been awarded an RYA Safety Boat Certificate after attending an RYA Safety Boat course. Three others have expressed an interest in attending RYA Powerboat Handling Level 2 courses and HYSTS is looking to support this aspiration. A Powerboat Level 2 certificate is a prerequisite for attendance on a RYA Safety Boat course; all new Helms for HYSTS' Safety Boats are required to hold an RYA Safety Boat certificate.

A rationalisation of the sailing dinghies owned by HYSTS has been conducted. Four of HYSTS' Wayfarers, their launching trolleys and a road trailer have gone to a new home on the River Hamble. Thorney Rose and Purbrook Rose were the last two of the original dinghies purchased second hand back in 1976 when the Scheme started operating from Thorney Island Sailing Club. Spanker and Warbler were purchased again second hand during 1985/6 when the Scheme moved back to operating from the Base at Langstone. These four dinghies served the Scheme well for many years though over the last few seasons have not been used as the age of the young people partaking in HYSTS sessions has decreased and the younger participants are less able to handle these heavy dinghies especially ashore. HYSTS' RS Vision dinghy has been sold as this too was too heavy for the younger/lighter participants. A surplus hand cart has also been sold. An additional RS Feva has been purchased second hand bring the Feva fleet to three boats.

Over the winter of 2016/7 a petrol powered winch was purchased and changes made to the Safety Boat's trolleys. During the 2017 season further experience has been gained in handling these ashore and further improvements made. During the season the Safety Boats were loaned to Thorney Island Sailing Club and Dell Quay Sailing Club in support of youth sailing.

During the year a challenge to HYSTS has emerged in that the Andrew Simson Sailing Foundation have taken over operation of the Portsmouth Water Sports Centre in Langstone Harbour.

I have decided not to seek re-election as Chairman for next season and thus will be standing down from this role at the AGM and also resigning as a HYSTS Trustee. I would like to thank all those who have supported me in my four years in this role. I would also like to thank all who have supported HYSTS during 2017 I am quite sure the young participants benefit.

2017 Financial Report

Opening balance		5101.98
EXPENDITURE		
Operational equipment/Personnel		8307.66
Dinghy maintenance and equipment	717.87	
Safety boat maintenance and equipment	1764.07	
Safety boat fuel	166.92	
Base maintenance	1314.57	
Safety clothing	555.63	
SI fees	1360.00	
Training courses	335.00	
Fiva purchase and mast head buoyancy	2093.60	
Insurance		1587.99
Harbour/Affiliation/Membership		454.44
Harbour dues	78.44	
Harbour annual subscription (Chi Harbour Fed')	35.00	
RYA recognition fee	316.00	
HBSA	15.00	
Bedhampton Social Hall fee	10.00	
Utilities		494.26
Telephone	63.02	
Freshwater supply to Compound	27.93	
Freshwater supply to Sailing Base	42.75	
Waste water	78.29	
Electricity	107.43	
Sailing Base business rates	174.84	
Miscellaneous operational		752.14
RYA certificates/Logbooks/Handbooks	0.00	
Postage	3.40	
Refund of HIWCF grant (Vision sail)	478.00	

Catering	176.00	
Website	69.99	
AGM report printing	24.75	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		11596.49
INCOME		
Grants	3678.00	
Donations	7220.50	
HMRC charities (Gift aid)	501.51	
Hire of Base (Polling Station)	450.00	
Sailing fees	2610.00	
Sale of redundant assets	1030.00	
Refunds/reimbursements to HYSTS	481.16	
TOTAL INCOME		15971.17
In year surplus		4374.68
Total carried forward into 2018		9476.66

2017 Sailing Report

Sailing season 2nd April to 21st October 2017

Breakdown

Sessions scheduled	19
Sessions completed	18
Sessions cancelled	1
Membership forms completed	24 (13 girls and 11 boys)
Age spread (years)	8-17 years (average age 12 years)

Attendance

Average attendance per session 6.3 - c.f 8.3 in 2016, 6.8 in 2015, 7.2 in 2014, and 7.5 for 2013 seasons.

Certificates Issued

Certificate type	Numbers issued		
	during 17	during 16	during 15
RYA Stage 1	3	1	3
RYA Stage 2	1	1	4
RYA Stage 3	1	2	2
RYA Stage 4	1	4	0

Recognition of Charitable Status.

HYSTS' address is: Havant Youth Sail Training Scheme. C/o The Bedhampton Social Hall Centre, 21 Bedhampton Road, Bedhampton, Hampshire, PO9 3ES

HYSTS' Trustees; Mr Peter Bee, Mr Geoffrey Lynch, Mr Owen Davies, Mrs Hazel Matthews, Mrs Lorna Tomblin (resigned 17 Jan 18), Mr Stephen Staples, Mr Derick Borlace, Mr Kenneth Matthews.

The HYSTS Constitution (as amended 10th March 2014) requires the overall responsibility for the Scheme shall be vested in the Management Committee elected by the Patron and Sailing (Senior) Members at the Annual General Meeting each year. The Constitution also requires the Management Committee will consist of the following elected Officers; The President (who may be appointed for a five year term of office), Chairperson, Principal, Secretary, Treasurer, Sailing Programme Co-ordinator, Fund Raising Co-ordinator, Publicity Officer, and Bosun. Three Patron or Sailing (Senior) Members may also be elected to serve as members of the Management Committee. The Constitution further requires The Officers of the Scheme and elected Management Committee Members will act as the Managing Trustees in accordance with Charity Law.

HYSTS' Constitutional objectives are:

1. to improve the quality of life of young people through the provision of sailing opportunities and qualifications as a challenging activity;
2. to provide a secure environment for the self-development of young people through qualified and professional guidance;
3. to work in partnership with statutory bodies and organisations within the community;
4. to deliver youth work through the medium of sailing and waterborne activity;
5. to facilitate training opportunities for young people and adults wishing to work with young people.

These objectives are further defined within the Co-Operation agreement between Hampshire County Council Outdoor Education Department and HYSTS. Hampshire County Council Outdoor Education Department issue, administer and police the AALA license under which HYSTS operates.

HYSTS' Objectives under the Co-Operation agreement are:

1. to introduce young people to sailing and seamanship as an activity in a way that facilitates personal development;
2. to provide affordable opportunities for young people to experience dinghy sailing with qualified RYA instruction and procedures in line with the regulations and guidance set out in the current HCC Off-site and Hazardous Activities Regulations;
3. to provide a membership system by which young people can regularly participate in sailing in order to develop confidence, personal skills and teamwork;
4. to provide planned and progressive opportunities for youth groups to initiate and develop sailing for their members;
5. to provide 'come and try' sessions for young people who would otherwise not have the opportunity to attempt sailing as an activity;
6. to provide opportunities for young people to fulfil requirements of external organisations with regard to sailing (e.g. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award, Scouts, Guides, RYA certificates etc.);
7. to provide training opportunities in order to develop the HYSTS programme;
8. to raise self-esteem and develop personal and social skills;
9. to support the development and positive personnel relationships with both peers and adults;
10. to enable the sharing and acting on ideas and issues;
11. to recognise the voluntary involvement of young people with a range of experiences and views;
12. to take part in outdoor education activities.

Planned Outcomes for young people under the Co-Operation agreement.

1. Young people can gain RYA Awards for members and HYSTS Certificates of Participation (for introductory sailing sessions) (under 25 years) from Hampshire by the end of each season.
2. HYSTS members completing 3 or 6 months of regular attendance will receive an Access Credit and Certificate for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award.
3. Through their involvement with HYSTS activities young people will develop greater self-confidence and self-esteem as well as improving their team work skills.
4. Participation in the Members' Sailing Committee leading to young people having the opportunity for full involvement in the organisation of HYSTS.
5. HYSTS will provide a progression of sailing experience, from Wayfarers through single – handed to advanced sailing techniques, in line with the current RYA modules.
6. Young people will:
 - feel more confident;
 - relate more effectively with both peers and adults in a variety of circumstances and settings;
 - be able to use their skills effectively;
 - learn how to express their views effectively;
 - experience a new and challenging activity;
 - have the ability to work with others and influence opinion and decisions;
 - know when their views have made a difference;
 - develop and maintain effective relationships;
 - choose to be involved in positive activities and avoid crime, anti-social and hazardous situations.

To facilitate the meeting of these objectives HYSTS planned during the 2016 sailing season to provide 153 opportunities for young people to participate in dinghy sailing at a cost of £22.50 per session under the tuition of an RYA Senior Instructor. This is seen as meeting HYSTS' charitable purposes for the public benefit.

HYSTS' Trustees believe they have complied with their duty to have due regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance when exercising their powers and duties to which the guidance is relevant.