

HYSTS Management Committee / Trustee's Annual Report for 2022

Our year has been no different from that of an individual's; we have experienced success, frustration, disappointment and hope. The lack of young people wishing to sail is one of concern, as is our present inability to cultivate, from our own ranks, competent young people capable of sailing the Hartley dinghy and thereby enabling us to take out complete novices for their first experience afloat. We intend to engage with local sailing clubs to offer the opportunity to their more experienced/recently qualified helms to take the Hartley out, this will help to consolidate their recently acquired knowledge and provide us with the chance of getting more novice sailors afloat. Our experience of the difficulties of attracting young people is apparently not unique as we have heard of other organisations having similar difficulties. Taster and other RYA sailing certificates were awarded to deserving young people including one qualification for Stage 4 to Harry which means he has: "the skills to sail a double-handed boat as crew or helm and solve a variety of problems afloat." Harry can now go onto more advanced sailing courses.

We welcomed Cath and Sophie who joined the management committee earlier this year bringing with them enthusiasm, individual professional skills and experience in fields other than sailing. Sophie will initially assist Bill, our Principal, in the project management of the purchase and refurbishment of the shore base. Cath has offered to take on the responsibilities of advertising and promoting the Scheme by visiting schools and other youth organisations and generally making the Scheme more widely known. Additionally, two local newspapers have taken an interest in the Scheme which has already been featured in one with the promise of a comprehensive article in the New Year just prior to the start of the sailing season. Our website, www.hysts.co.uk is visited often and we have a presence on Facebook. In the early part of the New Year it is intended to invite local businesses to get involved, possibly to donate funds and allow us to advertise the Scheme to their staff. Attracting Senior Instructors (SI) remains a challenge but Hilary, one of our Si's, has recently indicated her willingness to get more involved with the Scheme and is happy to support some promoting of our sailing sessions and the charity in general. Our annual RYA inspection went well with useful advice given by the inspector.

Earlier in the year the last Wayfarer dinghy was sold and in two separate sales surplus dinghy fittings, mostly blocks and an old wooden chest featuring an interesting patina were also sold. Not only do these sales produce welcome extra funds it also frees up extra space in and around the shore base.

Redevelopment of the shore base is steadily progressing and can be identified in two distinct areas:

- 1. Already completed is work that has seen the clearance of the northern area of the base and a permeable surface material laid. We have asked for tenders from local traders to refurbish the base namely to realign internal wooden structures, replace windows and doors and paint the whole structure internally and externally.
- 2. Purchase of the shore base from Hampshire County Council is cautiously moving forward and is now at a stage whereby we have asked our solicitor to clarify points raised by us after scrutiny of the transfer documents and to possibly complete further searches we have identified.

The funding of any charity is achieved in numerous ways; we have individuals who kindly donate, their donation being further enhanced by Gift Aid, and we also benefit from our involvement in the Havant Borough Council weekly lottery. The M M Wyllie Charitable Trust has by far been our greatest benefactor during this and previous years; their generous grants will help fund the base redevelopment and refurbishment, help us pay some of our core costs and in previous years have allowed us to purchase second hand dinghies and replace the boat compound gates and fencing.

The Scheme is blessed with a dedicated and loyal cohort of volunteers and although we have not increased the numbers of our volunteers we have not lost any during the past two and half troublesome years. Earlier in the year Roz, one of our power boat drivers, qualified as a Safety Boat Coxswain.

Two new Committee members, continued funding, interest from an experienced senior instructor, loyal volunteers and encouraging progress in our efforts to buy the shore base and improve facilities are all indicators that give us optimism for the future.

2022 FINANCIAL REPORT

BROUGHT FORWARD FROM 2021 £15228.37

EXPENDITURE

Core and General Operational

Base Maintenance and Equipment	3685.69
Base Redevelopment (Solicitor Charge)	500.00
Safety Boat Maintenance and Equipment	1544.01
Dinghy Maintenance and Equipment	22.27
Safety Boat Fuel	16.84
Clothing	30.88
Sailing Instructor Fees	850.00
RYA Certificates/Logbooks/Handbooks	00.00
Publicity Printing	99.00
Staff Expenses	326.75
Volunteer DBS Checks Admin Fees	55.00
Website Design and Support	59.99
Bedhampton Community Centre (Room Hire Donation)	75.00
Bank Account Administration Charges	64.12
Insurance	2543.32
Security Deposit Refund (Loan of Safety Boats)	450.00
	10322.87

Fees And Affiliations

Harbour Conservation Dues	70.21
Harbour Federation Membership Subscription	35.00
RYA Recognition Fee	336.00
Havant Borough Sports Association Affiliation Fee	20.00
	<u>461.21</u>

Utilities

Water	115.12
Electricity	350.04
Business Rates	186.88
	<u>652.04</u>

INCOME

Grants	0000.00
Donations	15892.68
HMRC Charities (Gift Aid)	265.01
Havant Community Lottery	786.00
Hire Of Base	230.00
Security Deposit (Loan of Safety Boats)	500.00
Sailing Fees	180.00
Sale of Redundant Assets	710.00
	<u>18063.69</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURE	£11436.12	
TOTAL INCOME	£18563.69	
CARRIED FORWARD TO 2023	£22355.94	

Sailing Report

Sailing season: 2nd April to 23rd October 17th 2022.

Breakdown:

Sessions scheduled	14
Sessions completed	6
Sessions cancelled (adverse weather)	3
Sessions cancelled (lack of young people)	5
Overall attendance	30

Age spread: 10 boys, aged: 8, 9, 11, 12 and 15. 8 girls, aged: 10, 11 and 12.

Attendance:

Average attendance per session:

5 in 2022; 6.5 in 2021; Nil in 2020; 7 in 2019; 5 in 2018; 6.3 in 2017; 8.3 in 2016; 6.8 in 2015; 7.2 in 2014; and 7.5 in 2013.

RYA Certificates:

Certificate	Started	Completed
One	1	0
Two	0	0
Three	0	0
Four	0	1

Recognition of Charitable Status

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

HYSTS' Trustees: Mr Peter Bee, Mr Geoffrey Lynch BEM, Mr Owen Davies, Mrs Hazel Matthews, Mrs Mary Milton, Mr Derick Borlace, Mr Kenneth Matthews, Mr William Walworth CBE and Mr Ian Earle.

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 expanded to include:

- 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.
- 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 include:

- 1. Young people can gain RYA Awards for members and RYA Taster Certificates.
- 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 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.

Approved by ROYAL YACHTING ASSOCIATION

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