

Lymington River Scow Class Constitution

Proposed Full Member Qualification

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With the exception of paragraph headings, a word used as defined by the Equipment Rules of Sailing (ERS) is printed in **bold**.

Proposed additions are printed in **blue**.

Proposed deletions are printed in ~~struckthrough red~~.

Original version : 1.
This version: 2.
Changes: Dates in paragraph 10.
Edit to final sentence of paragraph 10 to correct to intended meaning.

Reason for change: Paragraph 4 b) of the Association Constitution reads:

- b) Full Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to the owner of a certificated Lymington River Scow. In the case of joint ownership, the full member will be the person nominated by the joint owners. If the Lymington River Scow is owned by a corporation or association, the Full Member shall be the person nominated as such by the corporation or association. Full Membership shall terminate once that member ceases to own a Lymington River Scow. Full members will be entitled to attend, speak and vote at general meetings of the Association.

What happens if the boat is out of class? Suppose for example the owner fits a non standard centreboard not supplied by the boat builders or makes any other change outside what is permitted by the Lymington River Scow class rules. Arguably, the boat still holds a certificate albeit that the boat could be protested for non-compliance with that certificate if it competed in a race requiring compliance with class rules. However, the modification means that the boat is no longer a Lymington River Scow and so the owner ceases to be eligible to be a full member of the LRSCA.

Noting that the Lymington River Scow is very definitely a multi-purpose boat, the Class does not wish to inhibit owners, particularly those who do not race, from modifying their boats to suit their personal needs and wishes. The Class is also clear that the owners of modified boats should remain eligible to be full members of the Association and thus to be able to contribute fully to the management and development of the Class.

It is proposed that the following amendments are made to the Association Constitution to resolve the above.

Insert new: 2 e) Keep a register of **boats** of which the **hull** has been built in accordance with the Lymington River Scow Construction and Materials Specification, Section A, Hull Construction.

Re-number existing 2 e) and f) as 2 f) and g).

Insert new: 3 j) The Association Hull Register shall mean the register of **hulls** built in accordance with the Lymington River Scow Construction and Materials Specification, Section A, Hull Construction.

3 k) A 'Registered **Hull**' shall mean a **hull** registered in the Association Hull Register.

Re-number existing 3 j) to p) as 3 l) to r).

Amend: 3 l) The Association **Members** Register shall mean the register of owners of ~~Lymington River Scows~~ **registered hulls** who are full members of the Association. The register will record their names, addresses and the registered number and names of their boats. Honorary and associate members names and addresses will also be recorded and, with the register of full members and their boats, be published in the Association's Year Book.

Amend: 4 b) Full Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to the owner of a ~~certificated Lymington River Scow~~ **registered hull**. In the case of joint ownership, the full member will be the person nominated by the joint owners. If the ~~Lymington River Scow~~ **registered hull** is owned by a corporation or association, the Full Member shall be the person nominated as such by the corporation or association. Full Membership shall terminate once that member ceases to own a ~~Lymington River Scow~~ **registered hull**. Full members will be entitled to attend, speak and vote at general meetings of the Association.

4 c) Associate Membership shall, upon payment of the prescribed annual subscription, be open to any joint owner of a ~~certificated Lymington River Scow~~ **registered hull** or to all individuals and associations interested in the Lymington River Scow Class. Associate Members shall be entitled to attend and speak at general meetings of the Association but shall have no vote.

Amend: 9) a) 1) Keep the Association **Hull and Members** Registers.

Delete: 10) a) ~~No boat shall be entered on the unless a certificate has been issued by the Association in respect of such boat, certifying that it complies with the Class Rules.~~

Insert new: 10) a) **Hulls** delivered before 1st January 2024 by approved Association boat builders shall be entered on the Hull Register. **Hulls** delivered after 31st December 2023 shall

be entered on the Hull Register on receipt by the Association of a statement from the boat builders declaring that the **hull** has been built in accordance with the Lymington River Scow Construction and Materials Specification, Section A, Hull Construction.