



HEL福德 RIVER SAILING CLUB

A Meeting of the General Committee to be held at the Clubhouse on
Monday 2nd February 2015 at 1930 hrs

AGENDA

1. Present.
2. Apologies.
3. Minutes of the last meeting.
4. Reports
 - 4.1 Commodore
 - 4.2 Vice Commodore
 - 4.3 Rear Commodore Sailing
 - 4.4 Rear Commodore Amenities
 - 4.5 Hon Treasurer
 - 4.6 Hon Secretary
 - 4.7 Captain Yachts
 - 4.8 Captain Dinghies
 - 4.9 Captain Moorings
 - 4.10 Captain Juniors
 - 4.11 Captain Social
 - 4.12 Captain Safety Boats
 - 4.13 Captain Amenities
 - 4.14 POFSA Representative
5. Membership
6. Any Other Business
7. Date of next Meeting



HELFORD RIVER SAILING CLUB

Minutes of a General Committee Meeting held at the Clubhouse on
Monday 15th December 2014 at 1930 hrs.

Present

J. Samuel, M. Gregory, D. Blanning, S. Hewett, C. Dudley, J. Bolitho,
H. Ibotson, D. Brandreth, M. Buckley, P. Greensmith, C. Symes

Apologies

J. C. Skewes, A. Biggs

Minutes of Last Meeting

It was proposed by Clive Dudley and seconded by Paul Greensmith that the minutes of the last Committee meeting held on Monday 3rd November 2014 be adopted as a true and accurate record. All in favour.

Commodore

Julian Samuel reported on the RYA inspection which had taken place recently saying that a few minor points had to be attended to and that there will be a re-inspection early in 2015. The letter received from Smiths Gore a week ago regarding the revision of the Lease of Foreshore sought a large increase in the annual rent and the re-negotiation of other terms with the Club's initial proposal for a long term with a five year break clause being acceptable to Bosahan Estate. A meeting with the Club's trustees is to be arranged as the next step before meeting the land agents early in the New Year. Finally Julian Samuel was pleased to say that the new stewards had started.

Vice Commodore

Mark Buckley reported a satisfactory kitchen equipment check and flat inspection upon the departure of the previous stewards. The new stewards Janet and Chris had made a good start and were enthusiastic and Christmas opening and menus had been arranged.

Rear Commodore Sailing

Chris Symes said that the Q20 is now out of the water and thanked those who had helped. The prize giving had been a successful evening.

Rear Commodore Amenities

John Bolitho said that the floor samples for the conservatory are now available for selection. A close weave protected carpet would be the preferred option at a cost of about £1180 including VAT. The slipway wall is to be pointed soon and the jetty steps will be repaired. In answer to a question he said that the old toilets in the cloakroom will be looked at in view of some odour being evident now that they are not in use.

Honorary Treasurer

Sue Hewett gave the current account balance at £14,792.64 and the Scottish Widows account at £21,215.04 as at the date of the meeting. The last stocktake at Jack and Sophie's departure had raised

some questions which she is looking into before any payments are made. The PHS sanitary contract is to be cancelled as the new stewards had agreed to do this. A number of issues were raised concerning this in view of the break clause penalty and hygiene requirements for the premises. After discussion it was agreed that these matters should be referred to the RYA legal department for advice before a final decision is taken. It was agreed that some of the old cane furniture now surplus to requirement in the clubhouse should be sold. The new computer system for Club accounts had been purchased. Questions were raised regarding provision in the system for secretarial and office administration and whether money could be saved by using alternative mailing facilities. Facts to be considered are that not all Members have an email facility, two newsletters have to be available in print each year and the rules do not provide for electronic communication. It was agreed that the Year Book is the Club's real advertisement and promotional facility and that this format should not be changed. There then followed discussion on the draft accounts which were available for perusal, and it was proposed by Chris Symes and seconded by Dominic Brandreth that subject to further scrutiny by the Honorary Treasurer, the same be approved for submission to the Annual General Meeting. All in favour.

Honorary Secretary

Mark Gregory said that arrangements are in hand to return the flat deposit to Sophie and Jack following upon the satisfactory flat inspection. The agreements for the new stewards Janet and Chris had been signed and completed. In view of the proposed long lease of the foreshore and its revised terms and the forthcoming negotiations with the land agents and the landlord's solicitors, he sought the Committee's agreement to him instructing the Club's solicitors in the matter. This was approved. A review of the membership revealed that 17 adult Members and 3 juniors and 3 cadets had cancelled membership. This was not an uncommon occurrence before January renewal and in view of the numbers of new Members joining was not felt, on balance, to be likely to affect overall membership numbers. Mark Gregory said that in his opinion there is likely to be a ballot for election of officers at the forthcoming AGM although there are no double nominations to date. In view of this he sought the Committee's approval to a revision of the agenda order should this arise. This was agreed. Finally he had received a request under the rules for a Member to hire the Club for a lunchtime function on 27th December 2014. As the Club is closed this day this was unanimously approved.

Captain Yachts

Clive Dudley had nothing to report.

Captain Dinghies

In the absence of Andy Biggs the Commodore said that dinghy prize giving had taken place recently with juniors and dinghy racers in attendance.

Captain Moorings

Dave Blanning reported that the boats remaining on the pontoon are being used over the winter. The form of wording for insurance details for boats on moorings and the pontoon had been agreed. The Commodore thanked Dave Blanning for his work over the past three years as Moorings Officer for the Club which is appreciated by everyone.

Captain Juniors

Dominic Brandreth said that he is now making preparations for the 2015 season. Administration is being taken ahead for the 2015 inspection already referred to. The computer upgrade is still being proceeded with and Helen's computer software is being upgraded.

Captain Social

Heather Ibotson said that the disappointment expressed about the talk at the prize giving had been followed up. The new stewards are finding their feet. The Spanish lunch was good and a dinghy sailors Christmas evening is planned. The Help for Heroes collection had raised £194.50 at the cabaret night which had been a successful evening. For Christmas there will be carols this Saturday with 'Loose Change' followed by a buffet supper and party. Sunday lunch on 21st December will be a Christmas celebration and there will be a children's party on Christmas Eve. The Club will be open on New Year's Eve.

Captain Safety Boats

Paul Greensmith said that following upon the inspection the fitting of a radar reflector will be looked into. Flares will be replaced for next season. The Commodore thanked Paul Greensmith for his three years as Captain Safety Boats and for all he had done for the Club during his years in office.

Captain Amenities

No report.

POFSA

No report.

Membership

The following had applied for membership:

Mr. R. Thomas MIS

Esme Goy MJF

It was proposed by Paul Greensmith and seconded by Sue Hewett that they be accepted for membership. All in favour.

Any Other Business

1. The projector and screen facilities are being looked into and a quote probably for LED equipment is awaited.
2. The boats remaining in the car park are causing comments as this takes up valuable car parking space when there is other space on the premises which should be used.
3. It was agreed that Megan is to receive a Christmas 'thank you' from the Club.
4. A thank you also to the Broads for bringing the new furniture to the clubhouse from Helston where the suppliers had arranged to leave it.

Date of Next Meeting

Monday 2nd February 2015 at 19.30 hrs

There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.00 hrs. the Commodore wishing all those attending a very happy Christmas.

SignatureCommodore

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