

# General Committee Meeting

## 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020 at 7:30pm

### WBYC Clubhouse

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**1. Members in attendance:** Jeff Parker – Commodore (JP), John Bailey – Vice Commodore (JB), Mark Breakey – Rear Commodore (MB), M Aspell - Treasurer (MA), M Parker - Bar Officer (MP), S Caiger - Social Secretary (SC), Fiona Austin - Membership Secretary (FA), Rob Strawbridge – Sailing Officer (RS). Don Sutherland – Member.

**2. Apologies:** R. Godbold – President (RG), Andy Carnegie – Club Secretary (AC), Andy Press – Bosun (AP), Geoff Rich – Mooring Officer (GR).

**3. Receive and accept minutes of last meeting.** Proposed – MA, Seconded - JB.  
Unanimously accepted.

#### **4. Matters arising from the last meeting**

**4.1. Old outboard**

- To be put back on eBay.

JP

**4.2. Handrails**

- Majority of work complete, except central tee piece and small section to the top left to be done. Stair handrail to be priced ready for discussion at March meeting.

RG, DD

**4.3. CCTV Update**

- Cameras fitted and operational.

NFA

**4.4. Invoice wording**

- Complete new wording proposed by JP, seconded by FA unanimously accepted.

NFA

**4.5 Standards for future AGM's**

- Moved to March meeting

AC

**4.6 Long-term Strategic Vision**

- The Commodore stated that following the recent Directors meeting it was felt that there are no major changes warranted. Possible sources of one-off revenue will be investigated in future.

MB

**4.7 Dinghy Slip**

- The plan is to cannibalise our old slip to shore up the slipway for the time being. Expected cost is minimal (less than £100).

MB

- Health and safety still to be reported on.

RG/GR/DD

**4.8 Working Committee for Clubhouse use**

- The committee reported their progress back but still have research to do before they can compile the final figures and report back. Some interesting points were raised and the likelihood of new and/or variations to byelaws was discussed.

MA/SC/MP

#### 4.9 EGM Wording

- To be addressed in April.

AC

#### 5. Vice Commodores Report

- Website has been updated but is an ongoing process.
- Discussion about gig racing etc. is ongoing with Clevedon, Burnham-on-Sea and Bristol. Both John and the committee express their appreciation to DS for all his help in this endeavour.

#### 6. Rear Commodores Report

- Work party last weekend was a great success with cameras up, handrail fitted, television fitted and a deep clean inside the club under way.
- Community Connect, a local authority funded scheme, appears to be worth further investigation and will report back.
- MB requested a list of works required for the food and hygiene certification from MP.
- The boat yard and wharf situation appear to have deteriorated further. There is a feeling of animosity towards the yacht club and although we feel this is unwarranted it was felt that leaving the situation to resolve itself was the best course of action currently.
- MA reported that the boatyard will not be reconnecting the water supply to the wharf due to the attitude and comments from some people on the wharf.

#### 7. Membership Secretary's Report

- Social membership application by Brian Lewis was unanimously accepted.
- It was requested the membership form is available on our website, possibly to be filled in and submitted online.

JP/JB

- Current membership stands at
  - Full 38
  - Senior 13
  - Honorary 5
  - Joint Social 11
  - Social 47
  - Associate 5
  - Total 119 memberships

#### 8. Treasurers Report

- Report attached
- Bank mandate for online payment authorisation has been filled in and returned to the bank.

#### 9. Mooring Masters Report

- Report to follow in March.

#### 10. Bosuns Report

- Report to follow in March.

#### 11. Racing Officers Report

- No report currently as the season doesn't start till April.
- RS was asked by MB if it were possible to put his wonderful racing reports in the Weston Mercury, RS felt that his reports were written for members eyes and not for general release but would consider it.

## **12. Entertainment Officers Report**

- Launching supper will be Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 at 7.30pm a selection of curries will be on offer and the tickets it was decided will be priced at £10.
- Our annual Dinner & Dance will be held at The Beachlands Hotel on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2020. Further details will be released as they become available.

## **13. Bar Officers Report**

- January's profit was £222, which equates to 41%
- YTD profit was £3,748, which equates to 74%

## **14. Agenda Items**

### **14. A.O.B** (AOB items should be notified a week prior to meeting or they will be moved to the next month's agenda, unless agreed urgent).

- It was pointed out that unless a draft agenda is sent early it is difficult to know what is on it.
- The agenda should be sent to all members a week before the meeting and the minutes should also be circulated.

### **14.1 Annual Dinner and Dance**

- See item 12

### **14.2 Unused vessels on the river**

- How long do we allow members to leave vessels on the river unmaintained, not sailed and deteriorating? A letter will be drafted to be sent to members the committee feel is in neglect of their vessels, moorings and membership. The AoA's and byelaws will be checked to see if an amendment is needed.

**FA/MA**

### **14.3 Associate members moorings**

- Changes and moving. Does this affect their membership? It was the opinion of the committee that an associate member can be assigned a new mooring if there is a need.

### **14.4 Till Discount**

- For private functions our till can be programmed with another set of tariffs and returned to normal operation if required. SC will investigate other options.

Meeting closed at 9.20pm

Next meeting will be 5<sup>th</sup> March 2020 at 7.30 pm HT 14.49hrs (8.82m).