

Minutes of the RTYC General Committee held on Thursday 11th January 2018

Present: Commodore Andrew Beaumont-Hope, Rear Commodore Cruisers Stan Jacob, Hon Secretary Elizabeth Anderson, Hon Treasurer John Adkin, Hon House Officer Judy Pearson,

Karen Cox, Andy Ketteringham, Nigel Collingwood, Dave Parish, Stuart Carter

Apologies: Dick Smith, Frank Martin, Paul Russell, Matt Green, Anne Peers,

Approval of minutes of the last meeting 30 November 2017: Proposed by Andy Ketteringham, Seconded by Dave Parish

Matters Arising: None

Correspondence: A letter was received from Gary Lewis reminding the Committee of its duties as company directors and in particular in relation to Health and safety. These comments have been noted. Of particular note was the operation of the automatic gates outside giving access to the Club. These are not owned or maintained by the Club and our only liability is to make Members aware if the gates are not working correctly. Mr. Bowra is contacted when there is a problem with the gates and he deals with this promptly.

The Officers' Drinks Raffle provided a generous donation to a local school. A letter of thanks from the Headmaster was received.

Hon Secretary: The temporary move of the office to the TV lounge has been completed. This resulted in a minor interruption, but normal service has now been restored.

Completed nomination forms for the Committee and Officer posts need to be received by 22nd January and the membership will be informed of this.

Hon Treasurer: Report showing RTYC accounts for 2017 received. Also the finance Report for the previous month received.

Bank balance are:

- Current Account £11472 compared to last year £9119
- Savings Account £165237 compared to last year £155927

Rear Commodore Sail: Report received. The Racing Programme for 2018 is now finalised. And ready for upload to the website. There are some changes which are designed to make qualifying for the club championships more flexible whilst freeing up weekends to travel to other events. The summers series is to be held over just two weekends with entertainment on the Saturday evening in the club. The offshore series supports the Euro Regatta and also sees racing to Eastbourne via Dover as a feeder to their IRC Championships and to Medway and Calais

Rear Commodore Cruising: Report received. The Ramsgate Illuminations event attracted a record number of 82 boats and received a great deal of favourable attention on press and TV. The prize giving was held on the 14th December and prizes were presented by the Mayor of Ramsgate, Trevor Shonk. The initial version of the Cruising Calendar has been published. Evening talks are being worked on.

Bar previous month & YTD plus stock: Bar Committee reported a margin of 60%. The defective coolers have now been repaired and thanks to Shepherd Neame for their quick response. The Hold Bar is now in operation and most of the beers are available here.

Thanks to the staff for their efforts during this difficult period.

Price increases have been contained for the past two years, however we can expect a price in February.

Hon. House Officer: The refurbishment of the bar and office is going to plan. The office will be totally revamped with new wiring and network points. Other areas of the building will need to be looked at in the future. These include dampness in the staff accommodation flat, furniture on the front door. Of major concern is the ingress of water in to the building which and may need the entire outside to be repointed.

Damage to the ceiling in the Dining Room: This will be repaired and the Club Member invoiced for the repair work.

Entertainments: It was decided that we should not have a Summer Ball this year as it conflicts with other activities. The planned RNLI Supper planned will be rescheduled. A new date will be published in due course

Ramsgate Week: Report Submitted. The Ramsgate Week Committee is satisfied that we are on schedule with the jobs that needed to be completed by the end of 2017 but the on-going process continues. David Parish informed the meeting that he would be negotiating with all of the sponsors for Ramsgate Week.

Navigation School: Theory Courses are all running well and there will be very little to report until Exam time. VHF DSC Course. Our course for Saturday 27th January is almost fully booked and we will probably need another course before the end of February. 1st Aid Course We are unable to arrange a 1st Aid course until Martin Morgans has completed his 1-Day RYA Course, which we hope will be before the beginning of the sailing season. The annual Inspection for 'Torbellin' has been completed and we have the RYA Registration to continue with these courses this season.

Academy: Report Submitted. Nigel Collingwood will prepare a report on the safety aspects of the Academy and report back

Incorporation of the RTYC: This is now complete.

Social Media: Report submitted. Record numbers of people are communicating via facebook and Twitter.

Membership Applications/Resignations/Deaths:

Philip and Janice Dadds Confirmed Joint Membership

Anthony and Marie Papworth Confirmed Joint Membership

AOB: The Commodore asked the various Committee chairman to ensure that their details on the website are updated

Date of next meeting: This will be decided after the Annual General Meeting.