

Minutes of the RTYC General Committee held on Thursday 6 September 2018

Present:

Commodore	Andrew Beaumont-Hope
Hon Secretary	Elizabeth Anderson
Hon Treasurer	John Adkin
Hon House Officer	Judy Pearson

Terry Adams, Stuart Carter, Karen Cox, Andy Ketteringham, Nigel Collingwood, Dave Parish, Mike Brand, Anne Peers, Martin Morgans

The Commodore welcomed Martin Morgans to the General Committee. He will be liaising with the Harbour regarding the Harbour Illuminations and supporting the RCC with the cruising section for the remainder of the year.

Apologies: RCC Stan Jacob, RCS Matt Green, VC Dick Smith, Frank Martin,

Standing Item: the Committee agreed at its meeting held on 15 March 2018 that the Non-Executive Directors are not required to attend as they have taken over the position previously held by the Trustees.

Approval of minutes of the last meeting 27 June 2018

The minutes of the meeting held on the 27 June were approved. Proposed by Dave Parish, Seconded by Stuart Carter and carried unanimously.

Matters Arising: None

Correspondence:

Email received from Rebekah Smith regarding using the Race Hut for laser lights during December. Permission is granted for this use, MM to liaise with Rebekah regarding this request and other Illuminations matters.

Email received from Terry Corner regarding the ICCY Rally, the Hon Secretary to respond that the Club could be interested in holding an event in Ramsgate.

Hon Secretary:

The new caterer has started and is offering Sunday Lunches which appear to be well received. The first Club event will be the RNLI Supper which it is hoped the Committee will support. Bookings for this are proving popular.

Emma Simpson has been appointed as Administrator to the Club and will start work on 1 October 2018. She will also be familiarising herself with the work in the office one day a week until her official start date.

As agreed at the last meeting the categories of membership have been reviewed and some updated, a further review will be carried out later in the year. Authority was devolved to the Commodore, HT and HS to review subscriptions for 2018 - 2019 and the result of the discussions were circulated to the committee. As no comments were received from the Committee these changes have been implemented and subscription letters sent out.

Hon Treasurer: Finance previous month and YTD Report submitted.

Bank Accounts as at 5 September 2018

September 2018 C/A £7915.00 S/A £117533.00 **Total £125448.00**

June 2017 C/A £8810.00 S/A £135209.00 **Total £144019.00**

The Hon Treasurer gave a verbal update on the Club's current position.

Bar previous month and YTD plus stock:

Stock Take undertaken following Ramsgate Week. Bar prices were updated in time for Ramsgate Week.

There has been a general increase across beers, wines and spirits and to ensure Members receive an acknowledgement of their support of the club and bar the discount has been increased to 12%.

Shepherd Neame have agreed to provide beer as to help support the RNLI Supper.

It is proposed to offer specialist beers through Shepherd Neame.

Rear Commodore Sail: Report Submitted

Northrop Sails buoy is moving off station, there will be a review on all sinks to the marks to see if this can be stopped. Marks must be in by the end of October. TA to action this.

Rear Commodore Cruising: Report Submitted

A Committee meeting is being arranged to review 2019 cruises.

Hon. House Officer:

A review of the condition of the bedrooms and hallway has been undertaken and it is hoped that work will commence on the bedrooms when bookings are quieter

Work is to be continued on the Terrace now the club sailing events are all but finished. Stuart Carter raised the issue of the Dress Code for the Club with particular reference to hats. It was agreed that details should be included in the information packs in the bedrooms and on the Club website. EA to review.

The Commodore stated that members need to be more understanding about the dress code of visitors and guests. In addition, we must make it clear to our members how they should behave as well. The staff have the responsibility to ensure that guests and visitors dress and behave appropriately, however, it is not for Club members to take this into their own hands, they should only become involved if a member of staff turns to them for assistance. It is for the Officers and Committee members to deal with any issues if requested. We must leave the staff to do their job, and a good job they are doing, they do not need the interference of Club members.

For Ramsgate Week and other racing events it is proposed that we overlook the more relaxed dress code regarding wearing hats in the bar. Again, should staff need assistance they will request an Officer's assistance. Proposed Andy Ketteringham and Seconded Dave Parish.

The dealing with the Club Rules and inappropriate dress, that situation is to be left to the staff to deal with and staff to request assistance with a direct approach to Officers or General Committee members if required. Proposed by Andy Ketteringham and Seconded by Dave Parish.

The House Officer advised the Committee that she has received information regarding the condition of the club roof. The contractor has recommended that the work should be carried out in three to four stages and we need to be aware that it is going to be expensive. We will need to put in place a roofing fund. The Commodore requested that for our next committee meeting committee members consider how to start raising funds for this work and put this to the next meeting of the Committee for consideration.

Entertainments:

The next RTYC Walking Group has been arranged for the 20 September 2018
The Cruising Social has been arranged for 13 September 2018
The RNLI Supper has been arranged for the 22 September 2018.
The 250 Club to be held on 30 September 2018 and Todd Carey will also be performing in the Club as well from 2.00 p.m.
Work on the Summer Ball in 2019 at the Sir Stanley Gray is ongoing and ticket prices will probably be c£50.

Ramsgate Week:

Work has already started on RW 2019 with an updated logo and Ramsgate Week Business Cards produced for 2019. It is hoped that these will be available for the Southampton Boat Show and be sent out to local Yacht Clubs.

Navigation School:

The School will be offering Day Skipper and Yacht Master theory courses commencing on the 9 October 2018. In Dick's absence, Mike Greenstreet is organising the classes with the assistance of other Instructors and the Office. Thanks were extended to all the Instructors for their assistance they are doing a brilliant job.

Academy:

NC is a bit disappointed with the retention rate of Academy members. There have been different sponsorships available to the Academy but there has been no take up, nor have we kept those who started at the beginning of the year. NC stated that he would like to employ a lady to take on the Academy. The Commodore requested that NC investigate this and the cost implications and report back to the next Committee meeting. **Action NC**

Social Media: Report submitted.

Membership Applications/Resignations/Deaths:

Applications:

Paul Rider	Confirmed Probationary Membership
Eric Charles Pooley	Confirmed Associate Membership
Dr Reg Walker and Jacinta Elliott	Confirmed Upgrade from Probationary to Joint Membership.

Deaths: Catherine Tuddenham 31 July 2018
Roger Seaward 3 September 2018

Resignations: Peter and Elaine Mair and William Phillips

AOB:

SC asked if the club had the same agreement with the new caterer as we had with Temple Catering. The Commodore responded that we are looking at the structure of the catering and are working with Yasoda on this.

Meeting finished 22.10

Date of next meeting is: Thursday 4 October 2018 at 8.00 p.m.

Apologies: Stuart Carter