

Minutes of the RTYC General Committee held on Wednesday 27 February 2019

Present:

Commodore	Andrew Beaumont-Hope
Vice Commodore	David Parish
Rear Commodore Cruisers	Martin Morgans
Hon Secretary	Elizabeth Anderson
Hon Treasurer	John Adkin
Hon House Officer	Judy Pearson

Terry Adams, Stuart Carter, Karen Cox, Nigel Collingwood, Anne Peers, Tim Sperryn, Julie Rook, Frank Martin

Apologies: RCS Matt Green, Dick Smith, Mike Brand

Standing Item: the Committee agreed at its meeting held on 31 January 2019 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 31 January 2019

The minutes of the meeting were approved subject to the addition of the wording under correspondence 'we agreed in principle to let the club be open for Friday Fishy and Sunday Lunches to members of the public. Proposed by Stuart Carter and Seconded by Anne Peers and carried.

Matters Arising:

With regard to opening the Club up to members of the public for catering, the HT advised that there would need to be changes required to our insurance cover. The Commodore stated that the intention is to offer this facility but we now need to consider how we can do this with particular regard to the Club's Licence, our standing as a Club and Vat implications. AP stated that we need to be mindful of how members will react to this potential change with particular reference to members of the public using the club without paying a membership fee.

Following on from this discussion the Commodore reminded the Committee that all visitors to the Club must sign in the Visitors Book and we as a committee and the staff must ensure that this rule is complied with. TA suggested that members are reminded of this rule, perhaps through the newsletter. **Action: EA.**

Review of the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held 27 January 2019.B

The Committee agreed the minutes with two items for discussion, one being the role of Honorary Secretary/Company Secretary which on reviewing the rule book it was felt that there are no concerns about this joint role. With regard to the annual election of the Non-Executive Director positions it was discussed that we should consider have a rolling 3 year period for these positions. FM stated he was comfortable with the annual election and felt that to ask members to hold a position for 3 years might be too much to ask, but totally understood the concerns raised but felt that the discussion on this would be too lengthy for this meeting and it was agreed that further discussions would take place outside of the meeting and report back. The Committee agreed that this was the best way to move forward and it was

Proposed by David Parish and **Seconded** by Nigel Collingwood accordingly. **Action: EA**

Correspondence: None

Hon Secretary:

A paper for Honorary and Corporate membership was reviewed by the Committee and it was agreed that the gold card discount for Honorary Membership should be adjusted to nil. The Committee reviewed the membership and agreed that at this time there would be no changes to those holding this membership. **Action HS.** The proposals were approved.

The minimum wage will be going up from April 2019 so this will have an impact on wages and pensions paid by the Club.

Tim Sperryn submitted his report on the Club's restaurant activity and stated he would be meeting with Yasoda to discuss the way forward. The HS requested that any discussions also involve Emma and reminded the Committee that all requests for catering must go through the office.

Hon Treasurer: Finance previous month and YTD Report Submitted

Bank Accounts as at February 2019	
Current Account	£10621.97
Savings Account	£121604.53
Sum	£132226.50

Note that we have £7000 of bills outstanding as at this date: for VAT and new doors.

The HT reviewed his paper with the Committee.

Bar previous month and YTD plus stock:

The special wine provided to support the catering has proved popular.
There is likely to be further increases in the price of beer in the pipeline.

Rear Commodore Sail:

The sinkers are well under way and arrangements will be made to put these in the water.
A Sailing meeting has been arranged for Saturday at 10.00 a.m.
Check chart has been finalised.

Rear Commodore Cruisers: Report Submitted

There is a presentation taking place tomorrow to the RNLI for monies collected during the Harbour Illuminations.
Extra lights have been purchased for the 2019 Illuminations and a report to the RTC will be submitted soon.

Hon House Officer:

There is a water leak from one of the bedrooms which is causing damage to the dining room ceiling; this is being investigated.
The silver paint for the terrace has been purchased and JJ's who have been requested to paint railings on the terrace have stated that they will also paint the terrace for us FoC.

Entertainments:**Dates for your diary:**

Saturday 9 March – Lifejacket Clinic

Saturday 16 March – Cruising Curry Night

Sunday 31 March – Mother's Day Lunch

St Patrick's Sunday on 17 March: consider offering a special event on this day. JR to look into this.

A quiz Night will be held in April, EA to provide free dates for any Thursday night in April to Julie Rook.

The poster and costings for the Summer Ball arranged for the 15 June has been circulated to the committee. SC stated he needs 4 good raffle prizes. EA: to look into offering a night in the Club. The Commodore extended the Committee's thanks to those who have donated prizes and towards the running of the Ball. The raffle will be in aid of the roof fund.

JP and DP propose to hold a wedding celebration evening on the 7 June. DP to liaise with JR and Office.

Snooker Competition is progressing

The next games night has been arranged for Friday 29 March. It is proposed to make a small charge for this evening to enable the purchase of games.

Ramsgate Week: Report submitted

The new RW logo will be sent out on 1 March to all interested parties, this is the changeover date.

Navigation School: Report submitted**Academy:**

NC asked for permission to spend £70 for certification of lifejackets. This was agreed.

NC stated that one school is concerned at the Academy membership fee of £20.00 and had asked if this could be reduced to £10. EA stated that this fee has not increased for the last two years. It was also agreed that we cannot be selective about who receive a reduced fee as there are pupils from other schools attending. It was agreed that the fee stands at £20, but if the students attend all theory classes and go sailing for 5 days then they will receive a £10 refund. NC stated that the school can afford it but had been asked if this is possible. **EA to arrange for the school to be invoice for 9 students.**

Social Media: Verbal Report**Membership Applications/Resignations/Deaths:**

Applications: Two in the pipeline and these will be reviewed at the next meeting.

AOB:

JA stated that we owe the staff a vote of thanks for their efforts in encouraging members to put money in the roof fund buckets. This has proved very effective.

JR stated that the calendar on the club website was thin on information and this needed to be rectified. The HS responded that if details of events needed to be uploaded to the calendar requests should be emailed into the office and this will be actioned.

AP asked if we should send out another mini newsletter. The Commodore responded that this was a good idea and asked AP to action this.

Meeting finished 09.55 pm

Date of next meeting Tuesday 2 April 2019
Apologies: Judy Pearson and David Parish