

# Royal Temple Yacht Club Limited

Minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 26 March 2022 @ 11.30 a.m.

The Commodore Martin Morgans welcomed all members who attended the Meeting.

## 1 Apologies:

Michael Wallis; Dr Chris Brearley; Karen Cox; John and Ellen Barrett; Tim and Marina Peacock; Anne Peers; Jim Humphris; Brian and Betty Martin; Mark Kingsland; Mike Brand; Andy and Sarah Beaumont Hope; Rod and Valerie Oates; Paul Woodward; Peter Thomas; Peter Saunders; Rosie and Jeff Horton; Trevor and Irene Brook; John and Meg Chater; John Stoneley; Dennis and Ann Payne; Stephanie Martin; Kathleen Williamson; Mark Andrews

2 Under the Articles of Association and Rules the positions of Rear Commodore Sailing, Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary can only be filled by Members voting at a General Meeting.

A: **Resolution:** To elect in accordance with Rule 5 the Rear Commodore Sailing, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer of the Club, to serve for the coming year.

The following were unopposed: Piers Hodges Rear Commodore Sail, John Stoneley Hon Treasurer and Stuart Carter Hon Secretary. **Proposed by Andy Ketteringham, Seconded by Frank Martin and Carried Unanimously.**

B: **Resolution:** If there are no, or fewer than required, nominations to these posts, the meeting is requested to authorise the General Committee to co-opt members who are willing to hold these positions, and/or take on the responsibilities associated with these positions **on this occasion only.** This will not constitute a change to the Articles of Association and Rules.

**Resolution B was not voted on as vacant officer positions under agenda item 2A were filled.**

3 **Special Resolution:** From the General Committee: To amend the Membership Categories and fees to the following:

i) **Full Member** £200 (Company Member as defined in Paragraph 1.2 of the RTYCL Articles of Association with all benefits and rights currently granted to current Full Members).

ii) **Club Member** £125. This category shall be available only for new members, and will last only for a period of 12 months or until the commencement of the next full membership year whichever may be the longer. Full membership will then be applied. Fees shall be pro-rata for any interim period. Holders will not be Company Members nor receive Full Member benefits.

iii) **Family Club Member** £200. Two adults in an enduring family relationship, residing at the same address and their children up to the age of 18 years of age will be eligible under this category. This category shall be available only for new members, and will last only for a period of 12 months or until the commencement of the next full membership year whichever may be the longer. Full membership will then be applied. Fees shall be pro-rata for any interim period. Holders will not be Company Members nor receive Full Member benefits.

iv) **Crew Member** £50. (Must be an active member of either race or cruiser crew. Crew a minimum of three days per season. Be proposed by the Owner and seconded by the appropriate Rear Commodore. Holders will not be Company Members nor receive Full Member benefits.

v) **Honorary** £0. Granted annually by the Committee to specific members of clubs and associations or to individuals of standing. Shall be subject to endorsement at the following AGM.

All current and existing membership categories and arrangements shall terminate on the 1st of October 2022 and all current members will be offered access to the appropriate category under the new scheme. The Rules of the Club to be amended to reflect the changes as determined above. Existing members may not become club members.

## **This resolution will constitute an amendment to the Rules**

**Resolution:** from the General Committee: To reconfirm the resolution passed at the AGM held on January 26<sup>th</sup> 2020 devolving responsibility to a Membership Committee comprising the Officers of the Club to determine fee categories for agreement by the General Committee and subsequent implementation for membership renewal 1 October 2022.

**Agenda item 3 was put to the meeting and voted on as follows:**

**Proposed by Rachel Morgans, Seconded by Pauline Adkin and Carried by the majority of the meeting with 4 against the resolution.**

### **4 Past Commodores' subscriptions.**

For a number of years Past Commodores of RTYC have been accorded free membership for life (including spouses). This has become custom and practice but is not included in any provision in the Club's Articles or Rules.

At the AGM on 30 January 2022, it was proposed that in recognition of services to the Royal Temple Yacht Club a retiring Commodore should be accorded Full Complementary Membership for the period of one year which then reverts to an annual subscription.

The General Committee has considered this proposal and concluded that the practice of free membership for life for past Commodores should cease both for future Commodores and also past Commodores. However, some recognition should be made for the responsibility and effort that the Commodore, and spouse where relevant, are required to bear in fulfilling his/her duties during their time in office. The General Committee therefore proposes the following resolution:

**Special Resolution:** from the General Committee. That Past Commodores, and spouses where relevant, who have benefitted from free Membership for a period of years exceeding the number of years served as Commodore, shall revert to Full Company Member status, as set out in Resolution 3 above, with effect from 1 October 2022. Recent and future Commodores will continue to benefit from free membership equal to the number of years served, whereafter they shall revert to Full Company Member status.

This resolution will constitute an addition to the Rules.

**Agenda item 4 was put to the meeting and voted on as follows:**

**Proposed by Frank Martin, Seconded by Pauline Adkin and Carried by the majority of the meeting with 5 against the resolution.**

The Commodore then concluded the meeting to thank John Adkin, past Hon Treasurer and Elizabeth Anderson, past Hon Secretary for their commitment to the Club during the tenure of their positions over the past few years, and stated that it is important we all recognise the hard work and commitment required in holding these positions and stated that as Commodore on behalf of the club and its members he wished to present them with a gift to recognise their commitment.

The Commodore also stated that he wished to extend his personal thanks as a member of the club for their efforts and wanted to mark this with the presentation of a picture each.

The Commodore then declared the meeting closed at 11.40 a.m.