

Minutes of the RTYC General Committee held on Friday 1 March 2022

Present:

Commodore:	Martin Morgans
Vice Commodore	Karen Cox
Rear Commodore Cruising	Don Gray
Hon. Treasurer	John Adkin,
House Officer	Judy Pearson
Immediate Past Commodore	David Parish

Andy Ketteringham; Alan Lucas; Rachel Morgans; Peter Thomas, Frank Martin, John Barrett, Mark Kingsland

Apologies: HS Elizabeth Anderson; Andrew Beaumont-Hope; Nigel Collingwood Terry Adams, Piers Hodges, Mike Brand

Approval of Minutes of the last meeting Friday 4th February 2022

The minutes of the meeting were approved. Proposed by Karen Cox and Seconded by Rachel Morgans

Matters Arising Therefrom: None

For information/comment Minutes from AGM 30/1/22

In answer to a question concerning the sale of the model of a Gun Carriage the Commodore confirmed that it is still the intention to sell it.

Correspondence. None

Honorary Secretary

Issues regarding membership (Mr Adegoke) would be addressed upon HS return.

Hon Treasurer:

Report submitted – 4 months cumulative report 2022. Bank Statements as at 15/02/22 CA £10906.06, SA £116144.94, RF and Legacy £21902.15. Sum £153347.74. Accounts include recent £4000 Omicron Grant and VAT refund of £4265.34. Subscriptions to end of January £50234. We have advertised for a new Bookkeeper, had 3 replies and 1 interview which was satisfactory. With GCM support a job offer will be made on Monday. (Action. JA)

A note was made about approaching a local recruitment agency (HR GO) regarding a replacement Housekeeper. JA and Barry Stone will meet them on Monday 7th March 2022.

Bar previous month and YTD plus stocktake.

Commodore: Our Stock taker retired recently. The last stocktake was done in-house ready for the AGM. We use the same spreadsheet as the previous stocktaker. After discussion it was agreed that we will use a professional plus Barry each quarter and the intervening monthly stocktakes will be done in-house with Barry plus a member of the GCM.

There is good progress on changing the HOLD Bar to a bottle bar. The new venue should be ready by April.

Rear Commodore Sail

Report submitted dated 4th March 2022. In the report there is a complex proposal for Race Fees. This issue will be left until the next GCM.

Rear Commodore Cruising

Cruising Plan for 2022 submitted and circulated by E mail. A committee has been established. Dover.

Harwich and Medway clubs will be contacted. The season starts in April. There is a Cruising Social evening the 3rd Friday each month to which all are welcome.

House Officer's Update

At the last meeting there was a request for ideas for the conversion of the vacant flat upstairs. Options had been considered and a costing of £30K-£35K obtained. This was discussed and it was agreed to wait for the time being. However, there is a problem with the dampness in the outside wall (possibly caused by a roof leak) and the noise insulation between the flat and the floor below is inadequate. Both these issues together with the Gas boiler not being effective enough will need to be addressed irrespective of the conversion cost noted above. Judy agreed to arrange a professionally drawn plan with 3 quotations. Some concern was expressed over compliance with Fire Regulations given the long internal staircase access.

Entertainments

Friday Evenings in the club are well attended. Live music is arranged for the 3rd Friday in the month. The caterer is not available for Mother's Day or for Easter. The Commodore met with Anthony who is struggling for staff. The contract with the Caterer is due for renewal soon. Rotary Club will return to RTYC on Mondays from October 2022.

Ramsgate Week

Good progress is being made. £1500 is promised from Ramsgate Town Council, £7500 has been received from Euromarine, Miles and Barr have offered £1000, The meeting agreed to spend £235 on a RW E- banner in the Regatta Guide of Yachts and Yachting and a possible follow-up article is to be arranged. Proposed by JEB, seconded by AK. Vice Commodore and RCS are working together on RW. A new Poster has been designed for 2022.

Navigation School. Report from the Principal:

"We are already receiving enquiries for the courses starting in October. A number of these have been via recommendations. Which is always a good sign. Let's hope for another busy season".

Social Media

Work ongoing. Not much new to report although always looking for new items.

Membership

Spreadsheets circulated by the Commodore showing current and proposed new simplified schedule. After a long debate the meeting agreed unanimously to take the new proposal to the EGM and ask members approval for the change. There is real need for clarity on the wording regarding the change of free membership for Commodores. Action: Commodore and Frank Martin.

AOB

House Officer asked if there were any new members since the last meeting. This will need to be answered by the HS at the next meeting.

Meeting finished: about 8hr30pm

Dates of next meeting: (First Friday of the month)

Friday 1st April 2022 at 7.00 p.m.