Minutes of the Committee Meeting

06 Feb 2017

Committee Present: Names and positions
Duncan Heather [DH] (Commodore), Michael Cain [MC] (Secretary). Kerstin Jorna [KJ] (General Member), , Leandro Tramma [LT] (General Member), Tam Yorke [TY] (General Member), Adele McConnachie [AMcC] (General Member)

ACTION

1. Apologies: Elisabetta Loi [EL] (Treasurer)

2. Welcome and Introduction

The Commodore welcomed the Committee Members

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting 16Jan17

4. Matters Arising / Actions Not on Agenda

Moorings laid by RTYC – still waiting for RTYC to get back to us because they have been distracted by their recent change in status.

5. Communication

6. Sub-Committees

a. Sailing Programme

For the 2017 we plan to have 20% more sailing days, with some Wednesdays added for racing and kids training on some Saturdays.

There will be a responsible person for each special event or session.

13May – Push The Boat Out. This will also be advertised on Facebook and Eventbrite **MC**

17-18Jun – Newburgh wild camping **TBA**

14 – 16Jul – Lunan Bay – possibly **George Reid**

19 – 20Jul – Inchyra **LT**

13Aug17 – Family Day – MC ask in bulletin for theme ideas **MC**

Kids training – need a special meeting to sort out details and trainers

DH / MC meeting Tuesday 07Feb17 for Traffic Light risk assessment procedure for Officer Of The Day

Agreement on 2017 programme

b. Marketing

c. Operational Procedures

d. Social Events

Report on “Hint O’ Burns”. Event went well, though less profit than past Burns events, £375 from 50 people. Throwing pound coins for whiskey raised £60. The response to the Facebook and Eventbrite advertising was disappointing. The PA needed setting up and testing before use because it was a bit unclear. There were a few comments regretting the lack of a raffle. Perhaps we could have one next time, but instead of the long drawn-out draw, all prizes could be drawn and the winning numbers stuck on them. Sourcing prizes for a raffle would need some effort.

Report on RYAS Awards Evening. We did not win the “Club Of The Year” but Robin Paris was encouraging saying we did well at first attempt and against many submissions from amongst 140 Scottish clubs. We also received a letter from the UK RYA which constitutes a Mention In Despatches.

Possible Social events 2017: We will aim for cheaper food that will be popular £10 – £15. **BC**

Race Night. BC to contact his friend about this.

Uzbek Night. Saydulla may be able to do this. **MC**

Family Day. MC to ask for ideas in next e-mail bulletin. **MC**

Pre-season meeting is 26Mar17 at 3pm. MC to send e-mail rather than expensive posted pack. Will include the agenda, the membership form (which includes the new policy on multiple boats), a letter suggesting that fees could be paid in twelve monthly Standing Orders starting in April, and noting that the 2017 Sailing Programme is now on the website.

7. Maintenance Boats

a. Club Dinghies

AMcC has a spare Laser which she is willing to donate to the Club and which can be used as a training boat which is a step up from Toppers. Offer gratefully received.

Club Kestrel is not being used except occasionally for capsize drill, to be sold.

8. Maintenance Building

Workshop management was discussed:

Alistair is to be invited to be in charge of Club Boats – spares, instructing Members in techniques, although teams with responsibility for specific boats will be needed. **DH**

In the workshop there is space for two Club boats and one Member’s boats at any time. TY to manage the timetable and collect fees for workshop use. **TY**

9. Finance

Budget 2017-18 season shows a projected surplus of £2500, this will be presented at the pre-season meeting.

The inspector’s report is expected back on 09Feb17.

Vouchers – the vouchers income budget is £500, last year £1729.55 but we think the market for these has eased off.

Costs: Insurance has gone up because of the building revaluation and using the quad on the cycle path. Building electrical work and cameras are budgeted, Marketing is lower than last year and will concentrate on the more successful media from last year.

Depreciation was discussed, and is probably in the region of £1500. **LT**

Standing orders from various Members are using an out-of-date amount, LT to advise them on the

correct amount for this season.

Progress on Grant Applications. Grant applications are progressing for £10 000 for a new safety boat, the Club will need to find the remaining £5000.

The existing safety boat engine will be replaced, Davey Anderson has some from trades-in at about £3000. **BC** to help bargain around the costs of these things.

10. Training

Liaison with Ancrum and their planned courses

Possible "Train The Trainers" with Perth Sailing Club.

11. Partners

RYA Scotland, end of our Focussed Club Support.

NESS: report on Club Development Meeting 04Feb17

Ancrum: report on meeting 30Jan17 about Waterfest and slipway lease. We have arranged a date for this year's Waterfest on 08Jul17 and Derek Napier has e-mailed other organisations to gauge their interest and involvement.

We need an agreement on Ancrum use of our premises. We are thinking of £400 p.a. to cover their Safety Boat storage, and a discount on their course fees for Club Members.

Ancrum also have some surplus wetsuits which we can sell. TY to handle sales of these. **TY**

Slipway lease. We do not have exclusive use of the slipway, it is used as a public facility. Therefore we will let Ancrum know we no longer want a lease, but will still charge a fair fee for Ancrum storing their safety boats.

12. AOCB

Broughty Spotlight advertising copy. LT suggested that Facebook may also be a prominent means of advertising.

13. Date of Next Meeting

If one is necessary before the pre-season meeting a brief meeting on 20Mar17 is possible.