



CCSC General Committee Meeting
Tuesday 8th September 2020
7:30 pm via Zoom
MINUTES

Attendees

Andy Adler, Vice Commodore
Colin Munz, Hon Secretary
David Brock, Commodore
Debbie Bowers, Members Rep
Diane Fowler, Members Rep
Grace Martin, Rear Commodore Shore

Ian Green, Rear Commodore Sailing
Mike Wade, Members Rep
Monica Wolff, Hon Sailing Secretary
Nigel Page, Members Rep
Phil Tysoe, Members Rep

1 Apologies

- Ann Varlow, Social Committee, Dick Moore, Moorings Officer, Elizabeth Bowers, Hon Treasurer.

2 Minutes of last GC meeting and actions arising

- Agreed.

3 Incidents, Health Safety and Security

- No incidents reported.

4 Sailing Secretary and Sailing Committee Report

- Sailing continuing well with more Contenders and Lasers and Sail4all is proving very popular. Any lessons to be learnt to improve Sail4all will be carried into next season.
- Richard B has expressed an interest in the Sailing Secretary post when Monica W steps down.

5 Rear Commodore - Sailing Report

- Lack of permanent race marks is hampering sailing and lack of winter servicing of moorings remains a concern.
- Finding a Moorings Officer with experience to replace Dick M is now a potentially critical activity.

6 Rear Commodore - Shore Report

- The galley floor is now replaced and looking good thanks to Phil T and the many helpers. A few units remain to be refitted.
- The bar and food service is working well with social distanced tables and chairs in place.
- Provision of a Sunday service will depend on availability of volunteers for tea and coffee and a revised risk assessment and plan which is in hand.
- Use of the key fob at the gate automatically records members using the clubhouse so no further signing in is deemed necessary. Club members can easily be contacted if required.
- Over the winter season a booking system will be in place to enable Weymouth Cruisers to safely use the clubhouse and facilities.
- DB thanked Grace M and the many helpers who had worked very hard to reopen the club and get sailing underway again.

7 Hon Treasurer Report

- Anne Midona was continuing to help with the accounts which had now gone to the Auditors in preparation for presentation at the November AGM. Year end was 31st August 2020.
- Fionna Grant was assisting Anne and had expressed an interest in the post of Treasurer which was becoming vacant.

- All vacant posts would be advertised both in the clubhouse and online in time for nominations and voting at the forthcoming AGM. Efforts would also continue to be made to headhunt members with the appropriate skills.
- Flag officers normally held their posts for 3 years whilst other committee members were elected or re-elected on an annual basis.

8 Hon Secretary Report

Moorings Area Lease Update

- Agreement was reached on 20th August with the Trustees on the Heads of Terms of the Moorings Area Lease and this was now under preparation by Crown Estate solicitors
- The lease would run from 2015 to 2040 with a rent review every 5 years based on CPI with a 15% cap. A rent of £5000 pa would be payable from November 2020, previously £4400 pa.
- The next rent review would be 1st November 2025.

Clubhouse and Boat Park Lease Update

- A new 5-year Rent Renewal Agreement was signed by the Trustees with Crown Estate on 11th August 2020, commencing 5th January 2021 at £9135 from current rental of £8700 pa.
- Rental from 5th January 2021 would be £9570 pa until the next rent review in January 2025.

Payment of Rent

- Lease payments are due twice yearly on 1st May and 1st November with invoices sent a month earlier. Colin M will liaise with the CCSC Treasurer to agree invoicing arrangements with invoicing by email and payment by BACS now preferred by Crown Estate.

Sport England Emergency Fund.

- The fund remains closed to new applications and the CCSC submission now unlikely.

9 Operations Group Report

- The Operations 'Keelboat Lift-in 2021' Subgroup, comprising Graham Allinson, Alan McDine, Malcolm Spicer and Richard Bowers met in August in lieu of an Ops Group meeting.
- The Subgroup is progressing well towards a consensus Options Report although this is unlikely to be ready in time for the AGM in November. More important to get it right.
- Two working parties have been held in the last month carrying out security improvements to the perimeter fence and jetty to deter illegal access to the premises, jetty and pontoon.

10 Moorings Report

- No update.
- Advice is awaited whether the club crane has now been repaired.

11 Members Representative's comments

- No further comments.

12 Social Committee Report

- No update

13 Order of Business

13.1 AGM

- In the current circumstances a ZOOM AGM was agreed to be the most appropriate way forward and based on the last ZOOM meeting involving the general membership, it should be well attended.
- Members can comment from the floor using the ZOOM 'chat' facility and vote using the 'like/dislike' function. David B will investigate means of upgrading the ZOOM 40 min time out.
- As usual Flag Officers Reports' will be posted online, with only the Treasurer's Report presented at the meeting for voting. Reports should be completed by end of September for posting by 13th October. Any members questions will, as usual, be requested in advance.

- Any rise in membership fees will need to be agreed by the GC in advance, for voting by the membership at the AGM. This will need careful consideration given the Covid-19 'lockdown' of the club for much of the sailing season. A review of the club's current financial position will also be necessary to inform the decision and draft copies of the final accounts (to end Aug 2020) will be emailed to GC members when available. An extraordinary GC meeting may be required to agree the 2021 fee proposal.

13.2 Facebook Page Management

- The CCSC Facebook page includes both 'public' and 'members only' sections and Tony Dobbs, Media Officer, was concerned that there was no apparent control, review or feedback of the content which could be both positive and negative towards the club.
- After some debate it was agreed that despite the risks, to date most postings had been very positive and any censoring or control of input would be both time consuming and possibly counterproductive. Free ranging views about the club were refreshing and of great interest to the public and should not be discouraged.
- The Facebook page did make reference to the club website if members of the public had questions or wished to contact the club.
- Therefore, no further action was needed at this stage and Andy A would respond to Tony D.

14 AOB

- Nigel and Debbie showed family round the club in the rain earlier in the year and they are now enjoying membership – very encouraging.
- Grace commented on groundwork being undertaken by Barry Grant and team on security including additional mesh to fencing, anti-climb paint and warning signs. – see Item 9.
- Last year, the erection of a public sign by CCSC setting out the regulations for using Sandsfoot Beach, was put on hold pending resolution of the beach access road gating issues. It has now been clarified that the road is a public highway and cannot be gated without lengthy procedures. The Operations Group will now take this forward again with appropriate wording regarding the access road.
- Occasionally members have missed duties and Debbie agreed to co-ordinate follow up with other Members Reps, in order to check any potential misunderstandings or other reasons. The sailing programme relies on support from members in honouring their duty obligations.

15 Date of Next Meeting

- Tuesday 13th October 2020 at 19:30 via Zoom

Circulation

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