



CCSC General Committee Meeting
Tuesday 9th March 2021, 7:30 pm via Zoom
MINUTES

Attendees

Adam Bowers, Members Rep
Andy Adler, Vice Commodore
Ann Varlow, Social Committee
Clive Fowler, Moorings Officer
Colin Munz, Hon Secretary
David Brock, Commodore
Diane Fowler, Safeguarding Officer

Fiona Grant, Hon Treasurer
Grace Martin, Rear Commodore Shore
Ian Green, Rear Commodore Sailing
Nigel Page, Members Rep
Phil Tysoe, Members Rep
Richard Bowers, Hon Sailing Secretary

1 Apologies

- None received.

2 Minutes of last GC meeting and actions arising

- Minutes agreed

3 Incidents, Health Safety and Security

- No incidents reported.

4 Sailing Secretary and Sailing Committee Report

- First sailing race will commence on Easter Sunday following RYA Covid guidance.
- A request by RYA to use our club facilities for their Topper training event has been declined preferring at present, to concentrate on own events.
- Planning for the RS700/800 nationals is going ahead for later in the year.
- Jenny Richards has a 'Beat Racing' App which could be used to set up sailing races without the need for a Committee Boat team. Courses can be set, and racing tracked using mobile devices and results presented at a Zoom meeting say. New technology to be supported and maybe the way forward.

5 Rear Commodore - Sailing Report

- A good response has been received from members to help with forthcoming work groups including dredging and club boat maintenance.
- The sailing programme commences on Sunday 4th April and Mike Conroy has Imogen ready, with first keelboat race on Monday 19th April. Ian G will check with class captains whether there is likely to be sufficient demand to operate the ferry service from then.
- The boat park will remain closed until end of March and although generally members are following the rules, a reminder to all members would be prudent.
- Some 80 members have not yet renewed and will be sent reminders with fobs turned off and names removed from listings at end March. Any later change of heart will be treated sympathetically.
- John Pym is planning to update website but as always he relies on regular member input to keep it relevant and therefore needs our continuing support.

6 Rear Commodore - Shore Report

- Pest Control has been called in to the clubhouse to deal with significant evidence of rodents following closure of the clubhouse.
- A further meeting has been held with Litter Free Coast and Sea and the club will hope to support its campaign planned for 22/23rd May.
- Weekly bin collection is to restart at the club and members will be reminded about use of waste bins and details of prohibited waste including paints and oils etc.

7 Hon Treasurer Report

- Fiona G tabled the latest P&L account to early March which still looked reasonably healthy, commenting that incomes from boat park, membership, mooring fees and feed in tariff were more or less similar to last year with some membership fees still to come.
- Club boat, dredging and grounds maintenance expenses were still to come however.

- Volunteers Jane and Roger were doing a great job helping clear the membership renewals.
- A further £3k had been received from Dorset Council as part of the Business Support Relief Grant and 80% furlough relief continues for barman Graham our only salaried member.

8 **Hon Secretary Report_**

- Updated trustee details have been passed to Jason Hodnett for the new draft Moorings Area Lease and he had also been asked to update some club title documents. No other news yet.
- Richard le Mare had been advised to apply again before 11th May re club booking.

9 **Operations Group Report**

- The IT review would be held over until September given the more critical matters currently on the agenda. In the meantime, Marusa, which is due for update and renewal this month will therefore continue for a further 12 months.
- The solar water heating project will require formal certification of any electrical work and will therefore need professional input. Andy A will report back to Ops Group.
- The Sandsfoot Beach sign is under review by a sub committee who are looking into the club ownership issues associated with it.
- Winter work parties including dredging, carpark repairs and lift-in are underway with good volunteer response.
- Tony Dobbs, our Media Officer is looking to step down at the end of April and a replacement is required. The job includes preparation of occasional newsletters, dealing with the press and Facebook input requiring someone with good communication skills. David B will email members.
- The keelboat lift in is now set for 29/30th April to allow members time from boat park opening on 29th March to prepare their boats.

10 **Moorings Report**

- 4 pontoon moorings, 9 race marks, Imogen and Celtic Lady moorings are ready to go in with 6 of the marks reassembled and remainder to follow.
- On 24th Feb, the on-water moorings were inspected and photographed with several moorings missing. It is currently too cold to use divers to relocate and, in any event, may be uneconomic if only a few moorings are recovered by this method. Clive F therefore proposed making up say 10 new sinkers and risers to replace missing moorings which could then be investigated at leisure later in the season.
- Rob M was investigating the use of scrap chain from Sandbanks Ferry and old railway wheels to make up sinkers at a cost to the club of about £140-160 per mooring. This would be cheaper than using a professional diver who might not recover any lost moorings. It was agreed to proceed with this expense which could be later recovered from owners.
- Clive F was hopeful that, weather permitting, all moorings would be available at time of lift-in by end April.
- Clive and team were thanked for the tremendous effort being put into this essential mooring work.

11 **Members Representative's comments**

- No comments

12 **Social Committee Report**

- Online social activities are continuing including a very successful folk evening, fitness sessions, quizzes and well attended race talk by Adam Bower. Social activities will stop at the end of May and recommence in September.
- The annual dinner dance is proposed for November and a volunteer to assist with planning is needed.

13 **Order of Business**

13.1 Covid Planning.

- Sailing risk assessment are in place including for Ladies Sailing and Sail4All based on the 2020 assessments, as well as risk assessments for Grafter and Celtic Lady. Use of the clubhouse and facilities will be updated from last year and refreshed signs put in place, pending latest detailed advice on opening up club facilities.

13.2 Comments on Planning Application WP/20/00964/FUL

- The committee agreed to support the above PA for geotechnical works to underpin the three proposed dwellings on Old Castle Road. Planning approval for the houses was given in April 2017 and now needed extensive groundworks to enable work to proceed. This work would also complete the stabilizing of Old Castle Road which was a vital access route for the club. Colin M would respond to Dorset Council before the closing date of 13th March. (Post meeting note: PA support statement lodged with Dorset Council on 11th March by Hon Sec)

13.3 David B had updated the latest Risk Assessment Version 7.1 which was approved by the committee and would be posted on the club website.

14 **AOB**

- Colin M advised that if members got trapped at the club because of either a failure of the electric gate or a lost fob, there was no information to help them out of the emergency. It was agreed that information on a notice on the gate, rather than in the handbook, would be preferable. There are instructions in the chart room and a coded key box with fob by the gate for such eventualities.
- Clive F noted how convenient berthing Grafter and Celtic Lady at the Academy was rather than Weymouth harbour and could we use the Academy next winter? Ian G replied that whilst the Academy was happy to accommodate us this year it had indicated that this was a one-off. We therefore would need to discuss options with Portland Marina if Portland was a more convenient location to berth the boats in winter.
- Diane F was updating the club's safeguarding policy based on RYA advice with particular respect to young people. The current club document in pdf form needed updating and Diane hoped a word version could be found.

15 **Date of Next Meetings**

- Tuesday 13th April 2021 at 19:30 via Zoom.

Circulation

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