

BURTON WATERS BOAT CLUB

AGM 16TH NOVEMBER 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT

Barry Jopson	Keith Laver	Duncan Roberts
Ann Jopson	Michelle Crump	Laura Montgomery
Peter Crutchfield	David Stott	Graham Montgomery
Bridget Crutchfield	Paul Williams	Angela Goldsmith
John Walsh	Robin Lassiter	Keith Bellamy
Mike Waldron	Karoline Lassiter	Keith Gerrish
Patsy Slight	Geoff Hallam	Stephen Hayes
Peter Wilks	Brenda Wilks	Susan Hayes

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Kevin & Wendy Meehan	David Danks
Brian & Viv Carmichael	Paul Graves

The meeting started at 20:00

Minutes of the last AGM 17th November 2017 were read & passed.

There were no matters arising so the minutes were signed.

TREASURERS REPORT

Angela reported that the Club started the year with £3,640.25 in the bank. The balance now stands at £4,188.93 – an increase of £544.68.

We started with £122.12 in petty cash and this has increased by £136 to £258.12.

Net increase in income is £70.30, whilst costs have reduced by £33.42 on the previous year.

We have also purchased a new gazebo and flags for use at Club events.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Patsy reported that 2018 has been a very successful year for membership and that she had enjoyed being part of a busy and dedicated team. We started the year with 95 members and we now have 119.

She went on to say that the “Back to Boating” day attracted lots of new members and was successful in every way.

We are nearing the time for membership renewal and if all members would consider paying by standing order, rather than through the membership secretary, that would be very helpful.

All in all Burton Waters Boat Club goes from strength to strength and is a very important part of the community, long may it grow and prosper.

COMMODORES REPORT

Barry thanked all this year’s club officer and committee for their unfailing support. In particular he wanted to thank Keith Gerrish, Patsy Slight and Angela Goldsmith all of whom had been committee members for several years and were resigning from their posts.

He also wished to thank Matt and Claire from Woodcocks for allowing us free use of the function room

Until we have our own clubhouse we continue to hold our successful 1st Friday Club Nights, encompassing such diverse subjects as Speaker nights, Boating games, Fish & Chip Supper, Talks by club members, BBQ and quizzes.

Club cruises have been made to Woodhall Spa, Washingborough, West Stockwith and Farndon. On a personal note I was able to make the passage to Wells on the Norfolk coast. However I still think we should be widening our horizons and looking at offshore cruises to the Yorkshire, Lincolnshire and Norfolk coasts.

We have had few training sessions this year but nonetheless thanks to Keith and Ian we have been able to run a Novices weekend which must be considered a success as everyone returned safe and sound.

The Club continues to grow in stature especially in the eyes of the public. We have made dramatic changes to our website and have acquired a Club gazebo and flags all of which show a professional approach to how we present ourselves.

We have continued to grow our profile by getting actively involved with AWCC, CRT and local groups in fighting to improve our cruising grounds and areas such as the Brayford Pool.

We now enter our closed season December and January so our next First Friday Club Night will be 1st February 2019.

Thank you for all your support in 2018.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 2019

We have nominations for all of the committee positions and they are as follows:-

Position	Name of Nominee	Proposer	Seconder
Commodore	Keith Laver	Peter Crutchfield	Ann Jopson
Rear Commodore	Barry Jopson	(immediate past Commodore)	
Vice Commodore	Graham Montgomery	Angela Goldsmith	Karoline Lassiter
Hon. Treasurer	David Danks	Barry Jopson	Laura Montgomery
Hon. Secretary	Laura Montgomery	Karoline Lassiter	Stephen Hayes
Membership Secretary	Paul Williams	Duncan Roberts	Angela Goldsmith
Liaison Officer	Stephen Hayes	Patsy Slight	Paul Williams
Committee Member	Peter Crutchfield	Duncan Roberts	Keith Laver
Committee Member	Ann Jopson	Duncan Roberts	Keith Laver
Committee	David Stott	Duncan Roberts	Keith Laver

INCOMING COMMODORES ADDRESS

The last time I was Commodore was in 1972 at our local sailing club so I am going to be a little rusty in this post. I'm sure Barry will help and guide me during the year.

I would like to thank Barry for the sterling work he has provided in guiding the Club forward for another year.

Thanks also to Ann, Angela and Patsy, the ladies who do all the hard work behind the scenes. We will miss Angela and Patsy who are taking a well earned rest from the committee. A warm welcome to our new committee members Vice Commodore Graham Montgomery, Secretary Laura Montgomery, Treasurer David Danks and Membership Secretary Paul Williams.

A special thanks to Sue Aitken who spent many sleepless nights putting the draft website together and to Stephen Hayes our Liaison Officer who finalised it and made it live. I think that you will all agree that thanks to their efforts we now have an excellent website.

Your new committee's objectives for 2019 will be:-

1. Increase the numbers of cruises during the year with different durations and locations.
2. Promote short cruises for novice skippers with tuition by volunteer experienced skippers.

3. To drive the Club membership towards the 150 mark through personal invitation by the committee members.
4. To continue our pursuit of a suitable clubhouse.

I look forward to being your first post Brexit Commodore and I will continue to promote our Club and its policies.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS AND FORUM

Duncan asked if anyone had any news on the new Marina at Cherry Willingham. As far as the committee were aware planning permission had been granted.

Peter mentioned that the CRT had a new Regional Director who comes from Greenpeace.

The Treasure Hunt was discussed and it was agreed that it would be good to have one again this coming year but maybe shorter and with easier clues.

Possible idea of a cruise to York with those going on to Ripon for those who wanted an even longer cruise.

Barry thanked everyone for coming and the AGM was closed at 8.30pm.