

Meeting Opens: 19.30

Present: Mike Waldron, Barry Jopson, Peter Crutchfield, Ann Jopson, John Varley, Julie Varley, Laura Montgomery

Apologies: Sharon Collins, Phil Greenwood

Finances:

Cash in Bank - £6366.27 (included is £482.00 for laying-up supper)

£150.00 paid to Pyewipe for room hire

Petty Cash - £293.03

Insurance: As agreed at last meeting, ELI/PLI Insurance has been renewed. In addition directors/trustees insurance has now been arranged at a cost of £125.36

Membership & Advertising:

Currently 109 – one lost since last report.

4 have not paid 2023 subscription – Ian Hutchins has says he wishes to remain a member but still awaiting payment. Also outstanding are Milly Broadbent & partner and Rob Fraser. This will be followed up again next year.

Members Handbook – no real progress has been made.

Still awaiting response from Adam Cox re advertising and he has not responded to reminder email.

Sharon Collins will still canvass support from shops etc on Burton Waters

BJ says Farndon Marina and Bradley Davis will advertise when we are ready. He will also approach Woodcocks for support.

Advertising Medium – Lincolnshire Scene has a wider distribution than Village Venture so BJ will investigate the costs.

John V suggests that we should have discuss and have a clear vision of what we want the Club to be prior to committing to any advertising.

Saxilby Farmer's Market, held in the carpark of the Angler's Pub once a month has been suggested as a venue to have a manned Gazebo. This should, however, be left till Spring.

Training: Ian still to come back to us re proposal for prices and discounts for members. Nothing heard to date. John V to follow-up with Ian or maybe contact Adam in this regard.

Adam Cox made a proposal to have a combined Regatta Day with boating activities , training and also to include the BW Residents Group.

Social Media:

Report from Sharon –

Hi All

Obviously I won't be there tonight so look forward to catching up with you when I get back.

To add to the discussion, we do seem to have stemmed the influx of disturbing or offensive posts on the Facebook page with the controls that have recently been put in place - so I am happy to leave the Facebook page as a public

one. Now all posts have to be approved by an admin before appearing on the page and also I have put in security controls to prevent posts that are not suitable from accessing our page in the first place - both of these seem to be working for us.

With the website I have been dilligently blocking all IP addresses that are highlighted by the security manager as suspicious on the website, and also the IP address of the country they originate from - this has reduced massively the amount of hacks we are receiving on the website and hopefully has started to reduce the emails Laura in particular was getting too - to put that into perspective when I took over the website management I was receiving around 10 to 15 security breach emails virtually on a daily basis.

Social media - think we are up to date with everything, all posts i've received from you have been circulated

Events - hopefully you have a few more for the Laying Up Supper 🍷 hope this goes ahead, sorry we aren't there to support it.

I have put out a reminder for the Friday quiz on Facebook and it is on the events items on the website too

Next then is the Escape Room - I only need between 2 and 6 people and as John and I are going and Angela is joining us it will be fine, so have space for a couple more if required.

As we come to the end of this social calendar it goes without saying that this has been an interesting year of activities showing that we really do need to concentrate our efforts on activities that do not require large numbers or that don't come at a cost to the club wherever possible.

I didn't manage to set Barry up on the Card Reader before I came on holiday - but this is something I must get done so that you all have access to it to use at meetings/events etc so we can take payments directly into our bank (with Paypal fees deducted)

Any feedback on social media or ideas to improve or add to would be welcome

Anything else you need from me just let me know, and hope you have a good meeting
regards
Sharon

AJ to create/compile address book of all members email addresses.

AWCC:

Zoom meeting held on 12 September – JV & PC were away but MW joined.

Waterways Petition was, as requested by them, was circulated to all members.
Next AWCC meeting scheduled for November.

AOB:

Christmas Concert being held at David Lloyd – we were invited to by the Burton Waters Residents Group to join in as part of the support group.
Entertainment is theatre group and professional singer Gail Packer .

Amended Constitution needs to be distributed to all members prior to the AGM on 24 November for their perusal, comments and approval.

MW to send out notice of AGM 14 days prior to the date. **DONE**

Meeting closed 9.15 pm.