

BURTON WATERS BOAT CLUB

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 5TH JUNE 2024

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Phil Greenwood

TREASURER'S REPORT

Club Finances as at 25 May 2024

Cash in bank £6845.08

Petty cash £38.05

I have deliberately reduced the holding in petty cash by using it for recent payments for the projector and speaker gifts.

Recent Payments

Advertising income received £1075

Handbook Printing £985

RYA Affiliation fees £160

Burton Club m'ship £100

Membership of Burton club falls annually on 01 Jan and not on the anniversary of joining; I have amended my budget for FY24/25 to reflect this.

Next major outgoing will be the club's insurance which is due renewal in August.

Electronic Payments

There will be quite a bit of work if we wish to go for electronic banking for payments rather than the current method of pay by cheque; each payment will still require authorisation by two mandated persons

I am not convinced the benefit outweighs the effort involved given the small number of payments we make each year however should the officers of the club wish to proceed down that route, please minute the decision and I will get the ball rolling.

It was agreed unanimously that we should continue to pursue the objective of electronic banking.

Open Day

Prior to the open day, we will need to make certain that sufficient people have access to the zettle account on their phones and perhaps more importantly that it (i) works for them and (ii) they know how to use it.

I suggest we also record all payments taken this way on the day to make it easier to ratify with the bank account which will only show the payment from Zettle, and not who made it

MEMBERSHIP REPORT

BJ reported that we have 88 paid up members including 5 new members and 8 who have left the Club.

Recruitment plans and Fees

There will be a special offer to new members at the Summer Event Day on 13th July when the registration fee of £30 will be waived for that 1 day only.

Members' Handbook

Everything is now with the printers. They will produce 1 copy in book form for us to proof read and to check all adverts are in the right place. Once printed we will give 20 copies to each advertiser.

SOCIAL MEDIA/WEBSITE UPDATE

SC reported that the new security put in place has stopped the hackers and the emails to all members seems to be working. BJ will highlight any new member's email addresses. There are 120 followers on Instagram and 288 on Facebook.

AWCC UPDATE

MW reported Environmental Agency – Navigation, and changes happening to boat safety. BSS to set up new group to manage.

AWCC 60th Anniversary Rally being held at Litchfield Cruising Club – this has already been advertised on the Website.

SUMMER EVENT 13TH JULY

JV reported that the Event is now in conjunction with the Residents Group, BW Marina, David Lloyd and us. Activities will be run throughout the day with the Boat Club part being between 11.00am and 3.00pm. We will have our gazebo with JV organising display board and photos showing our various activities, RNLI will also be in attendance. There will be an ice cream van, coffee van, crepe van and street musicians. There will be free boat trips in and around the basin and out onto the Fosdyke, but people will be asked for a £2 donation to charity which will be split between the RNLI & Fund British Waterways campaign. MW to ask Fund British waterways for poster and literature to hand out.

GE will be organising the demonstration of Kayaks but there will be no trips for the general public. Some kayaks may be out of the water.

There will be a big membership drive on the day led by SC and AJ with notices saying "Join Today, Special Offer – Registration fee of £30 waived for one day only".

Our Risk Assessment has been approved for the boat trips. There will be a charity raffle and we will ask members for prize donations. SC and AJ to organise the raffle. We already have Guy Martin's signed photograph and fender. We will contact the businesses to see if they are willing to donate. Laziza may be able to offer some Indian street food on the day.

MW has a model boat which could be set up for children to identify various parts of a boat. MW is waiting to hear if the Moorings Company will allow the Lincoln Model Boat Club to show off and demonstrate their boats.

Advertising.

It was agreed that SC would produce the artwork to advertise the whole day's event for general publication by BWBC and the Residents Group.

We will also require

1. 6 x Roadside Advertising boards for display 2 weeks prior to the event.
2. 6 x directional signs (2 x Right, 2 x Left, 2 x Straight on)
3. 1 x Information board re Boat Trips - £2pp donation to charity.

KAYAK GROUP

GE reported there are 12 members in the group. The litter picking went well with 2 boats and 2 Kayaks.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The question of CRT Boat Licences being required on Private moorings was raised by BJ. It was agreed that our advice to members would be that in order to comply with the terms of your mooring lease at Burton Waters, you need to have a current valid CRT licence for any boat moored anywhere within the marina basin

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - to be agreed