

# **BURTON WATERS BOAT CLUB**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2024**

### **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Phil Greenwood, Sharon Collins, Gaynor Edwards

Welcome to Duncan Roberts who has now joined the committee as Cruise Master.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Cash in bank as of 31/09/2024 £6,218.04

Petty Cash as of 31/09/2024 £38.05

Website fees and insurance have been renewed.

After 2 years since last review of authorised signatories on the account we need to review them again.

1. Remove Peter Crutchfield as he is no longer a committee member.
2. Add John Varley as current Commodore.

Therefore the signatories would be Phil, John, Mike, Barry & Laura. This is the first step to moving the bank online rather than using the cheque book. At present Barry has the cheque book.

Phil will prepare the accounts for the 2024 AGM at the end of October.

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

BJ reported that there were 98 paid up members. The approximate split between Boating and Social was 60/40. BJ reported that the best results for achieving new members were the Open Days.

At the present time there is a one off joining fee of £30 for boat owners which covers 2 members. After a long discussion it was decided that the joining fee for boat owners should be reduced to £15 per individual (ie drop the current arrangement of having to register 2 people per boat).

Social Membership joining fee which is currently £15 per person will remain the same.

Country membership which is for members who keep their boats more than 50 miles away will stay at £15 per person joining fee but would pay half the normal annual membership renewal.

This would be put to members at the AGM.

To encourage new memberships and to give all members a reason for continuing their membership, there would be more focus on Social Events and improving the club negotiated discounts being made available to all members .

A list of current club discounts is available in the new Club Handbook.

### **FUTURE OF THE COMMITTEE**

This year the Committee has no Vice Commodore (JV will take on the roll as Commodore for another year with MW as Vice if needed) so next year with the resignations of Barry as Membership Secretary and Ann as Secretary there will be vacancies on the Committee that will have to be filled. A note will go out to all members before the AGM explaining how important it is to fill all these positions whether male or female if they want to continue to have a Boat Club at Burton Waters.

### **REMAINING EVENTS PROGRAMME UPDATE INCLUDING AGM**

There is a Quiz Night this Friday 4<sup>th</sup> that JV has organised and then on the first Friday in November there is a speaker night at David Lloyd "Try The Trent" by Nick Roberts. The Laying Up Supper this year will be merged with an end of season "black tie" Festive Dinner at Harbour Lights on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> December. SC has already changed the Events Programme on the website and sent out the information to all members. The cost will be £21 per head for 2 courses for non-members and a subsidised £16 per head for members.

The Commodore's Speech and the presentation of Awards/Trophies will therefore now take place at the AGM.

### **2025 EVENTS PROGRAMME SOCIAL/CRUISES**

Needs feedback from members, what sort of cruises they want and how many in the year. Have an equal amount of social and boating events to keep all members happy.

JV to contact Burton Estate Club to get news of upcoming events.

### **KAYAK GROUP**

As GE was unable to attend the meeting there was no update.

### **AWCC UPDATE**

MW reported that there were more people need to sign the petition for "Funding the Waterways and to lobby MP's. Possible lobbying local members of Parliament and a letter sent from the Commodore To Lincoln Member of Parliament Hamish Falconer.

### **ANY OTHER BUSIENSS**

MW brought up the subject of Storage. JV has spoken to Adam from the Marina a few weeks ago regarding the use of part of a container but has not heard anything further but will contact him again. If that is not available we will look into the cost of a small container at Saxilby. During discussion it was noted that we must do an inventory of all the Club Assets and who has what and where they are kept at present.

BJ will provide a list of all club assets and where they are currently stored

As there was no further business the meeting was closed as 9.20pm. The next meeting will be the AGM on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> Novermber.