



## **Main Committee Minutes 25.6.19**

	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Information</b>	<b>Action</b>
1	Present and apologies	Apologies – AH, CL, DF Present – JD, CP, DV, RW, RE, HJ, RJ, SH, JW	
2	Minutes of Previous Meetings of 16 April and 28 May 2019	Minutes of 16 April – proposed RW, seconded RJ, approved. Minutes of 28 May – proposed RE, seconded RJ, approved.	All/ HJ
3	Matters Arising/ Actions carried forward from previous meetings	See note to item below ref HMS – noted. RW – reported that a new cover is on order for RIB Beauvy and was expected shortly. DV reported that a new shower to replace the broken shower in the ladies changing room is in hand and that DF was aware of the estimated cost.	All
4	Treasurer's Report	See Treasurer's report at note to item. CP to pass contact details for Ian Cameron of the Wisp group so that DF can send an invoice for crane-in. Following a discussion which noted the reduced take-up of moorings and the reduced number of dinghy sailors racing, it was decided that: PI to contact current mooring holders towards the end of each year to request a decision on whether they would take a mooring the following year. This would enable him to better plan diving works. JD to check his mooring lease to confirm what the notice period is for giving up a mooring. A Club Development plan would be written and adopted with the aim of improving the Club facilities and making the Club more attractive to prospective members – this to be done once the SCIO application process was complete.	CP     PI  JD
5	Training report.	The Committee noted the training undertaken to date and planned. RE reported that take-up of Sunday morning coaching sessions was disappointing. There are a few adult dinghy sailors who appreciate these sessions but few or no juniors were attending. RE undertook to review who the "target audience" for these sessions should be. The Committee noted that, through CP, some prospective new adult members were being given sailing experience at Friday evening Social Sailing sessions and would hopefully decide to become Club members and continue sailing.	RJ     RE
6	SCIO	RJ reported that the application process to become a SCIO is underway and he is providing the information required to OSCAR in consultation with the SCIO group.	RJ
7	Harbour bar and slipway	Re the harbour bar, JD reported that, if it was to be removed, it would be necessary to ask Marine Scotland whether permission was needed as it involves lifting material from the	JD/ PI

		<p>seabed and depositing it elsewhere. The Committee agreed that the bar is not preventing access to the harbour and provides an element of protection from waves.</p> <p>RJ undertook to photograph it at monthly intervals to determine whether it is growing.</p> <p>Re the slipway, the Committee noted that it has not been fully cleaned and is very slippery in places. JD undertook to contact PI to find out what his plans are for cleaning the slipway. If PI is not confident of being able to do so in advance of the Club Dinghy Regatta the work could be done at a work party.</p> <p>It was decided to hold a work party on Friday 19 July.</p>	<p>RJ</p> <p>JD</p>
8	Policy on abandoned boats	<p>Ref cruisers stored ashore over winter, these should be removed immediately after crane-in if not going back on the water. JD undertook to check his mooring lease to find whether there is anything specific about boats which are not taken away by their owners.</p> <p>Ref boats in the dinghy park it was noted that the owners' names on the trolley tags were fading and many were no longer legible. RE undertook to add to a forthcoming Club newsletter a request for members to renew the details on their tags.</p> <p>Although the tags are useful, they do not provide information as to whether the owners of boats are current Club members. It was decided that stickers would be issued with the current year on them, HJ undertook to research sources and the cost of stickers.</p> <p>HJ reported that, if abandoned boats were to be disposed of by the Club, attempts must be made to contact the owner, where known. Where the owner is not known, from guidance given previously by the police, an advertisement should be placed in the local press giving one month for the owner to collect the boat before the Club could legitimately dispose of it.</p>	<p>JD</p> <p>RE</p> <p>HJ</p>
9	Charges for use of moorings by visitors	<p>The Committee felt that a revised policy was required for charges for visiting boats using a mooring for longer than a couple of nights.</p> <p>Decided:</p> <p>A charge of £15 a day/ night for short stays on a designated visitor mooring.</p> <p>A charge of £70 a week for up to 4 weeks on a designated short-term mooring.</p> <p>PI to be asked to maintain one extra outer mooring with a white mooring buoy and general-purpose strop to enable this.</p>	<p>JD</p> <p>PI</p>
10	Trophy Allocation	<p>RE referred to his note below. The Committee agreed to his proposal with one amendment, that the Redcastle Challenge Trophy be awarded to the Club Champion and the Dave Watson Quaich to the runner-up.</p>	<p>RE</p>
11	Sailing newsletter	<p>RE to send this out once he had all contributions from Committee members.</p>	<p>RE</p>
12	New memorial bench for the harbour	<p>To decide whether to agree to a request for a bench from Sylvia MacDonald bench in memory of her late husband and son – see note below.</p> <p>The Committee was happy to agree to the request from Sylvia MacDonald. HJ to contact her to let her know.</p> <p>AH to be asked to install a plinth and fixing brackets once the bench had been delivered, also to look at how the Jack Evans</p>	<p>RE</p> <p>HJ</p>

		bench (under the Clubhouse balcony) might be fixed to prevent theft.	AH
13	Membership update	The following new members were noted: Daniel Thompson – Junior Ben Watters – Junior Sheila Tracey – Rowing Ken Tease – Ordinary Catherine Garris – Rowing Lucy Knight – Junior Bailey Burns – Junior Euan Leslie – Junior Anne Mason – Rowing Glenn and Michelle Tucker – Family Michael McDonald – Ordinary Senior	HJ
14	Accident Book	None.	HJ
15	AOCB	CP had a request from previous Club member David Jack to join in with Grenville's sail – agreed. JW and RW reported that one of the freezers seemed to have become unreliable – RJ undertook to lend a meter so that its performance could be checked before any decision to replace it was made. RE explained the concept of the “Funday Sunday” events he has scheduled to encourage junior sailors to join in with Club Sunday sailing and asked for extra help with running the activities for the juniors. JD had a request from Club member Ian Cameron for raising a fund for repairing the potholes in the road around the Club. The Committee felt that, as it is a public road, it would not be appropriate for the Club to undertake repairs. Individual Club members may wish to report the potholes.	All  RJ  RE
16	Date & Location of next meeting	Tuesday 3 September at 7.30pm in the Clubhouse.	HJ

#### Officers of the Club:

James Dargie – Commodore - JD

Treasurer – David Finlayson – DF

Secretary – Helen Jenner – HJ (also Membership Secretary)

Sailing Secretary – Richard Evans – RE (also Coaching and Webmaster)

Training Principal – Richard Jenner – RJ (also Chief Instructor Dinghy & dinghy bosun)

Social Convenor – Janet Witheridge - JW

Rear Commodore – Donnie McLeod - DM

#### Committee General members:

Robin Witheridge – RW (RIB Convenor)

Peter Illingworth – PI – Harbourmaster, Moorings and Craning co-ordinator

Sandra Hogg – SH – Rowing Captain

Alan Hardie – AH – Dinghy Park Co-ordinator

Chrissie Lane – CL – Club Merchandise

Calum Pearson – CP – Social Sailing Liaison

David Vincent – DV – Health and Safety Officer and Building Custodian

### Note to item 3 – Matters arising/ HMS

There was insufficient interest for the HMS meeting planned for 30 April to go ahead (3 clubs to be represented) and while other clubs had expressed some interest but were unable to attend, the previous Chairman & RYA Scotland concluded that the organization had had its day and it is in the process of being wound-up. RYA Scotland will try again to obtain funding for a Regional Development Officer to cover the north of Scotland.

### Note to Item 4 – Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer's report June 2019

Club finances are generally healthy.

Spring lift-in has been done and all invoices have been paid other than the Wisp group for which I do not have current contact details but have requested them from PI.

Crown Estates fees will be paid on 17 moorings but I have some concerns that not all those moorings have yet been taken. Although spring dive costs were limited, the fewer the moorings taken the greater will be the relative cost of maintenance assigned to each mooring.

The situation regarding mooring/harbour due costs for the motor boat in the harbour also requires clarification from PI.

Other than a new shower in the female changing room at approximately £300 I am not aware of any impending exceptional costs.

A £100 donation has been received from the 11<sup>th</sup> Ross-Shire (1<sup>st</sup> Chanonry) Scout Group.

Membership Income: currently £10,575.00 which is a significant shortfall compared to last year's total of over £12,000

Bank balance: the balance is currently £44,161 compared to approximately £40,500 at the same stage last year.

David Finlayson  
Treasurer

### Note to Item 5 – Training Report.

Since the last meeting on 16 April we have run two Powerboat Level 2 courses; the first had 5 students all from Chanonry (instructors Helen Jenner & John Crossley); the second course had 3 students from Lossiemouth Sailing Club (this 14 member club is trying to re-establish itself and requested our assistance – instructor Helen Jenner). We've run one junior Stage 1 course (instructors Richard & Helen Jenner & Kyle Cameron); this had 5 students all around the age of 10 and local – 4 have subsequently attended Dolphins. There have been 3 Dolphin sessions with 9, 8 & 11 attendees (instructors for one or more sessions have been Helen & Richard Jenner, Marisa Astill-Brown, Gregor Fisher & Kyle Cameron assisted by parental or grandparental helpers). Coaching has been less popular, and Richard Evans is considering some options. We ran a taster session for around 30 cubs & scouts (instructors Richard & Helen Jenner & Calum Pearson).

Dolphins will continue fortnightly on Thursday evenings. The junior summer week (15 – 19 July) is proving as popular as ever with 13 interested and the possibility of a few more from the last Stage 1 course.

### Note to Item 10 – Trophy Allocation

## **Sailing Committee 25 June 2019**

### **Report: Proposal to reallocate Championship and Aggregate Trophies**

1. The Club's Trophy Policy ([www.chanonry.org.uk/trophies.html](http://www.chanonry.org.uk/trophies.html)) requires that reallocation of Trophies must be decided by the Committee.
2. The Sailing Sub-committee has discussed the allocation of trophies previously allocated for the Club Championship and Series Aggregate.
3. Currently trophies are allocated as follows:
  - Club Champion – Redcastle Challenge Cup
  - Lady Champion – Murray Grigor Trophy
  - Cadet Champion – Beaulf Firth YC Cup (<16 on 1 January)
  - Novice Champion – Fortrose Tankard (Winner at discretion of the Sailing Sub-Committee)
  - Series Aggregate – Dave Watson Quaich
  - Junior Series Aggregate – Junior Trophy (<18 on 1 January)
  - Overall Laser Aggregate – Wylie Martin Cup
4. After extended discussion on the merits of the Championship being a single day event or aggregation of series final placings from the main 6 series the latter was agreed.
5. These trophies are all for dinghy racing and their category will be retained whatever the decision. Therefore, the membership need not be consulted on any reallocation.
6. The purpose of the Dave Watson Quaich is not clear and may be that it was given with discretion for the main committee to decide. If that is the case the Committee may feel inclined to retain the Redcastle Challenge Cup as the Club Champion trophy and use the Quaich for Runner-up Champion.
7. Subject to any decision on para. 6 and on the initial assumption that the Dave Watson Quaich allocation may have been agreed with Mrs Watson, the following allocation is proposed by the Sailing Sub-committee:
  - Club Champion – Dave Watson Quaich
  - Club Champion Runner-up – Redcastle Challenge Cup
  - Lady Champion – Murray Grigor Trophy
  - Junior Champion – Junior Trophy (<18 on 1 January)
  - Cadet Champion – Beaulf Firth YC Cup (<16 on 1 January)
  - Overall Laser Champion – Wylie Martin Cup
  - Novice Champion – Fortrose Tankard (Winner at discretion of the Sailing Sub-Committee)
8. The original purposes of the Murray Grigor Trophy, Junior Trophy and Beaulf Firth YC are respected.
9. It is for noting that the Rowat Memorial Shield is missing and has been for a few years. It was being awarded for the first placed Laser in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Series. It is recommended that this award is not made.

Note to Item 12 – New memorial bench

The following email/ letter has been received from past Club member Sylvia MacDonald:

Pol-Ma-Chree  
Fortrose IV10 8SH  
16 June 2019

Helen Jenner  
Secretary  
Chanonry Sailing Club  
Fortrose

Dear Helen,

Thank you for considering my request to erect a bench on the mole at the harbour – next to George Taylor's bench.

The Sailing Club was the reason I ever came to Fortrose where I have kept my home ever since. I met Marjorie Taylor (George's wife) in Inverness and she suggested I should try sailing way back in 1967! I really enjoyed learning to sail with many of the well-established members of that time. It is where I met my husband and we spent the next two decades sailing his Flying Dutchman to begin with before buying "Rebellion" our yacht – a 30 foot hard chined Scampi which we moored off the Harbour. Our son, Ruaridh, was taken for his first sail at the age of thirteen days and continued to enjoy sailing and the sea for many years until I had to go and work in Glasgow – never forgetting the start he had in Fortrose – being remarkably confident on the water and gaining various Certificates in Kayaking and Sailing.

Sadly, Ruaridh died suddenly last September – his father pre-deceasing him by twelve years.

I have spoken to Iain Chalmers who made the existing benches and he can make a bench for me that would be more or less the same as those already on the mole and I would expect it to be mounted on the same type of base for security.

I feel a bench on the mole would be a fitting memorial to both of them as well as providing seating for anyone visiting the Harbour.

Thank you for considering my request. I look forward to hearing your decision.

Yours faithfully

Sylvia Macdonald