



CHANONRY SAILING CLUB COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday 24 July 2012

Present: Helen Jenner, Marisa Astill-Brown, Mairi Macleod, Steve Bramwell, Richard Jenner, Helen Morgan (from 8:15 onwards), David Pocock, Pamela Hogan, James Burns and Gavin Campsie.

Agenda Item

Action

1. Welcome & Apologies

Apologies were received from Kevin Holliday and George Hogg.

2. Minutes of meeting of 15 May 2012

Approval of the minute was proposed by Marisa Astill-Brown and seconded by David Pocock.

3. Action Points & Matters Arising

All action points were discharged or addressed on the agenda with the exception of the following which were carried forward:

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| ▪ AP16 (18/1/11) Helen M to investigate possibility of a "sign up system" on the web site for recreational sailing and dry suit die-hards events. | HM |
| ▪ AP4 (26/7/11) Peter Illingworth, David and Roxby Robson will meet to discuss craning issues and will then present their recommendations to the committee. | DP/RR |
| ▪ AP4 (1/11/11) A loft-hatch will be made and installed to create more storage space in the Clubhouse. | GC |
| ▪ AP2 (6/12/11) The starter box requires repairing. Helen M will email Alan Hardie about this. | HM |
| ▪ AP3 13/3/12 George Hogg will investigate switching the insurance to the Highland Council rate when it is due for renewal in August. | GH |

4.Matters Arising

Change to Meeting Dates

The meeting that was to be held on 14 October will now take place on 2 October

Lifeboat Day

The Committee thanked Steve for organising a very successful Lifeboat Day. David was concerned, however, that there was no knowledge of how many passengers were in each RIB and who they were. Since safety issues may arise from this more attention will be paid to the names and numbers of passengers in the RIBs next year.

5.Accident Book/Health and Safety Issues

No new incidents have been reported.

6. Finance Report

Although George was absent due to illness, the Committee reviewed the report he had kindly emailed.

Overall the financial figures of the Club are healthy with a cash balance of £35,000 and a surplus of £10,000. Nairn Sailing Club will be paid their share of the SYS Youth Regatta, membership payments are still down and the insurance bill is likely to still come to around £4000, even if we switch to the Highland Council rate. Despite these considerations, the financial position of the Club is robust and the Committee were happy with the information that George had provided in his report.

7. SYS Regatta Figures

The Committee thanked Kevin Holliday, Helen Morgan and Richard Evans for all their hard work arranging such a successful event.

The Regatta generated £1758.32, half of which will go to Nairn Sailing Club. In the future this event may be rotated around the local clubs to ensure that one club does not have to assume the responsibility of hosting the Regatta every year.

8. Changing Rooms Update

The cost of renovating the changing rooms has fallen just within budget at £4987. Gavin will coordinate the painting of the changing rooms. **(AP1 24/7/12)**

The deadline for finishing the changing rooms is October. David proposed that we get a quote for a professional painter to do the walls and ceilings of the changing rooms and James offered to obtain the quote. **(AP2 24/7/12)**

Richard will apply some more paint to the gents toilet floor.

(AP3 24/7/12)

Many thanks to James Burns for coordinating the renovation of the changing rooms and to Helen J. and Richard J. for assisting.

GC

JB

RJ

9. Trot Mooring Leases

Major routine maintenance work would be needed on the trot moorings at the end of this season. Different options would be the most cost/labour effective depending on whether it was the Club's intention to renew leases at the end of the current term or to revert to individual moorings. Nothing had changed since the decision was taken to install trot moorings and the Committee decided that it should be assumed they would continue beyond 2016. Renewal terms etc would be considered nearer the end of the current leases.

10. Junior Dinghy Prize for the Regatta

No travelling classes are planned so there will only be slow and fast handicap. Many juniors may be involved in this event and there will be no trophies awarded, just prizes. The Committee were happy for more prizes to be purchased for this event specifically for the juniors.

11. Trophy Update

The Committee decided unanimously to retro-engrave the Taylor Cup with the known history of the Club Cruiser Regatta Slow Handicap class in accordance with the wishes of George Taylor. James Burns had obtained an estimate for £90 for the engraving and volunteered to get the engraving done in time for this year's Cruiser Regatta. **(AP4 24/7/12)**

JB

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North of Scotland Sailing Squad

Richard announced that the North of Scotland Sailing Squad has been disbanded and replaced with a new academy system. The main base of this new system will be Helensburgh Sailing Club on the River Clyde on the West Coast of Scotland. To offset the shortfall of coaching available in the North, a RYA coach will be provided for Open Race Training and the Club will likely be the focus for any training taking place in the future. Highland & Moray Sailing will be drawing-up a revised strategy for Open Race Training and Chanonry will, of course, be represented.

Regatta Catering

Pamela announced that she will be away on the Regatta days and called for volunteers to coordinate the catering.

Dinghy Regatta

Helen M. is in the process of organising a Race Officer for the Dinghy Regatta and the Committee discussed the personnel required for the running of this important event. James kindly volunteered to be Race Officer and coordinator of the Cruiser Regatta freeing-up Helen M to be RO for the Dinghy Regatta.

New Date for the Ness Cup

The Committee agreed that Sunday 19th August would be the best date to hold the Ness Cup race that had been postponed due to bad weather. The race will have an earlier start time of 12:00 due to tides.

The Ness Cup Trophy

The Committee unanimously agreed that for this year's Ness Cup we will follow the 2011 trophy guidelines and put the issue of whether or not the Cup should be awarded in future years to race winners who are non-members of the Club to the AGM.

It was also agreed that, in the trophy guidelines currently being produced, specific rules should be outlined for whether perpetual trophies for open dinghy and cruiser events could be awarded to winners. Steve suggested for future years that the name of the event be changed to the 'RNLI Regatta' and the Ness Cup is awarded to the first member of the Club past the finishing line, while the overall winner (if they are not a member of the Club) would receive a prize.

A local man, Mr Peter Jones, has very generously offered the Club another trophy. The Committee agreed, however, that the Club does not require another trophy at this time but wished to thank him for his generosity. Helen J would contact Mr Jones to let him know.

HJ

