

**Minutes of the General Committee held on Monday 16th January 2022 7pm at the Club and via Zoom**

**Present:** Andrew Jackson, Maureen Bush, Steve Gray, David Figgis, Mike Oliver,

Dickie Ledger, Philippa Bloice & Kelvin Tolson.

**Via Zoom:** Terry Davis & Robert Govier.

**1 Apologies for Absence**

Fef Griffin & Jo Wyles.

**2 Minutes of previous meeting 12h December 2022**

The minutes were unanimously approved.

**3 Matters Arising from Previous meeting:**

**a. Club Development Plan**

Louise Provan to organise a meeting with the Development Group. Action Ongoing AJ

**b. Review of membership categories**

A draft replacement paragraph to be drawn up to go in the club rules stating

the GC will have the right to change the membership categories, to be finalised by next GC meeting, to take to the AGM. Action MB

**c. Online membership form**

RG reviewing online service packages available. Complete

**4 WOFC Update –** TD reported that negotiations are continuing.

**5 Office and membership report –** Presented by MB.

The Members Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 30th September 2022 were unanimously approved by the GC. To be submitted as approved to the accountants.

 The Office reported:

* Property trust set up and paid for.
* Human resources have been updated to include staff handbooks, contracts, lone working and training.
* Working on defining roles and responsibilities for committee members.
* Fixed assets – 5-year plan to be updated.

The Membership reported:

* New members joining is encouraging.
* A fall in membership renewals compared with the same time last year.
* 75% of renewals have paid in full and not split the payment.
* Membership cards are blocked in the bar until members renew.

A proportion of social members with children won’t renew until sailing begins in March.

Stage planning is required for lapsed renewals to include emailing the new Sailing Programme as a reminder the season is starting. Action SG

It was agreed the club required a Treasurer to provide a professional oversight. SG to ask whole club membership if there was someone who would like to fill the position in a business planning role/ strategic financial advisor capacity Action SG/Office

**6 Sailing Report** – received from SG.

* Publication of 2023 Sailing programme ASAP.
* 114 planned races to include WYC regattas.
* Regular and more experienced sailors allocated a 2nd duty due to cover RO

 and safety boat crew.

* Combining events and fleets to build numbers.
* Objective to host outside events that have a turnout of 20-30 boats.
* WYC will co-host a major Topper event with Tankerton Bay SC expected turn

 out 100+ boats.

**7 House Report –**Received from MO

 List of completed works in the last month.

List of works to be carried out.

**8 Bar, Catering & Social Report –** presented by DL

MB agreed money is available for catering and live bands to expand the club’s social programme.

Training is proceeding with the new person helping with bar management.

**9 Training Report** – Received from JW

 \* Boat maintenance is ongoing over the winter.

 \* 2023 courses available to book from 9th January.

 \* Cadet sessions arranged and included in 2023 Sailing Programme.

 \* 6 new assistant instructors, starting training on 12th March.

**AOB**

AJ to apply for small grant from Active Kent & Medway. Action AJ

SG to submit application to enter the raffle at the Dingy show. Action SG

**Date of Next Meeting**

Monday 13th February 7pm at the Club via Zoom

The Meeting closed at 8pm

**Chairman………………………………………………**