

# Annual General Meeting

7pm on 22 June 2021

## **Present:-**

See attendance register attached.

## **Apologies Accepted:-**

Derek & Beryl Edwards.

Andy & Immojen Newton.

Martin Clark.

Richard Kiff.

Kerry & Phil Payne.

## **Minutes of Previous AGM:-**

Read and accepted by David Krebs and Don Hope.

## **Commodore's Report:-**

Another year has flown by as literally exactly a year ago I was standing here with a 5 day old at home. To say that this year has been less eventful than last would be an understatement and also a blessing. As expected the club has missed out on the cruising season this year which has put a bit of a dent in turnover, this was not a surprise and we were prepared, and made the necessary adjustments early on. We are very lucky to have such a loyal following of locals, members and racers and social events frequenting the club maintaining the status quo. We have become more open to renting the club out as a venue and it seems to be working well with minimal impact on day to day club functions and operations. With any luck borders may be open next season but we expect the next couple of years may be below average.

This year we have made a lot of changes cosmetically to the club, we need to keep on top of these upgrades to stay relevant, inviting and really create an atmosphere that can be enjoyed. We have added outdoor heaters enabling a larger area to be used all year round, we have ordered some custom bar stools that are due soon. New lighting and decorations are up along with the restructuring of the sound pads. There is still some work to do on the exterior to enclose a large portion of the deck. The youth sailing shed and area has also had some upgrades, new doors etc.

Kerry has been busy on the social media side of things with a huge uptake on our facebook and tell tales with a huge amount of content being published and a fantastic uptake.

I would like to mention that over the last 24 months the biggest issue we as a committee have faced are problem people/members. Now this should not be an issue as I mention in almost every Tell Tales that anyone is more than welcome to come to me /us with solutions if they have any issues and yet still we have the same old 'as Trump would say ' fake news spreading. This really annoys me. This is a club, it is here to be enjoyed and shared. It is here for its members ' members that own it' we as a committee are here to make the decisions that are what we believe to be the best for the interests, longevity and upkeep of the club. It is up to all members, not just the committee, to look out and care for this place. At the end of the day one bad grape spoils the bunch. A special thanks goes out to those members that have brought a tiny minority of troublemakers to our attention and if you have any concerns talk to the butcher not the block.

All and all this year has been a step back towards the normal operating standard and business as usual. Far easier to manage than last year.

Finally a big thanks to all the committee members. A Lot of work does go in behind the scenes.

Moved:- Chris Williams

2<sup>nd</sup> – Jo Moxey

## **Treasurer's Report:-**

This is my first report for the Club and what an incredible year it has been.

It is difficult to fathom out financially due to the shut down in April and May last year, then the limited opening hours for a few months which probably kept people at home as they were unsure of the social aspect and how it might affect them.

Obviously, trading was down for the year but not too bad considering what the year brought everyone.

Out margin at the bar is good considering the price increases we have incurred. As you know, we increased some of the prices but as members, pricing is still heavily subsidised.

We lost the income we would normally get from the cruiser arriving and departing for the islands and there may have been the financial restrictions put on those who were stranded here together with people just not having the income to spend socialising.

Rent increases are still ongoing as per our agreement with FNHL but we are managing to cover this.

In saying that the Club is still looking pretty good financially due to new Sponsors coming onboard and various Grants we received enabling us to upgrade of the Club. This has been long overdue – well done and many thanks to those involved. Bingo and Quiz nights are also a great success along with the Members draw which help immensely, a big thanks to all those that give their time to make these evenings happen.

Venue hire is something we need to keep promoting, using the Club for events during the day and in the evening. There has been a slight increase in this and we hope to keep the momentum going with more themed parties in the future. Large events such as weddings etc which usually occur on the weekends may be something we have to accept as they bring large revenue for a single event – the down side to this is the exclusion of our members from the Club for that time.

Membership is also down slightly on the previous year but again, this could be due to Cruisers not coming and going and or Covid restrictions.

The Covid subsidy was used to keep everyone paid their normal wage or the subsidy – whichever was the greater.

Due to consistent staffing, wages are down, although we do have limited people to call on here.

Moved – Corinne Tucker.

2<sup>nd</sup> – Trish Hope.

## **Election of Officers and Committee:-**

Results are as follows:-

<b>Commodore</b>	-	<b>Peter Boyd</b>
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	-	<b>Chris Williams</b>
<b>Treasurer</b>	-	<b>Corinne Tucker</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	-	<b>Sheila Grant</b>
<b>Bar/Kitchen</b>	-	<b>Elizabeth Stacey</b>
<b>Membership/Social</b>	-	<b>Trish Hope &amp; Cees Romeyn</b>
<b>Publicity</b>	-	<b>Kerry Payne</b>
<b>House</b>	-	<b>Don Hope</b>
<b>Racing</b>	-	<b>David Krebs</b>
<b>Web Site</b>	-	<b>Rose Loveridge will still be looking after this but not on committee</b>
<b>Youth Sailing</b>	-	
<b>General</b>	-	<b>Paul Smith</b>

**Election of Honorary Member:-**

Proposed Honorary Membership Awarded to Jim Lyle – Harbourmaster.

Motion Carried.

**Election of Auditors:-**

**JSD Accounting Ltd** to be the Club Auditors for 2021-22

Motion Carried.

**Setting of Subscriptions for 2021-22:-**

Chris Ball put forward a motion to change the costs for Associate Membership as he regards them as too high.

The motion carried to stay the same.

**Fees for the 2021 – 22 will remain the same.**

It was agreed that committee would look into these charges for next year.

**General:-**

- Dave Rutherford brought up the donation for dock fund. The Committee agreed at a previous Committee meeting that there would be no refund.
- Chris Ball brought up that Club should be open all day as it was stated in minutes of one meeting this would be done once cameras were installed. Vera Hausemann agreed that this should be done. This is something that the committee will bring up at their next monthly committee meeting.
- Les Alderton said that when Club built it was meant to be community based and suggested we look again at swipe cards for the front door. We have looked at this before and was expensive. Committee agreed to look back into it again.
- Wendy Goldsbury said she likes the new lights but wondered what had happened to the burgees. Peter Boyd said that they are coming back – he is working on how to display them.
- As we had no Social Nominee nominated Trish Hope and Cees Romeyn put themselves forward to do this – motion was carried by members present.
- It was also requested that the financials and minutes from previous AGM be circulated to members before the AGM meeting.

**Meeting Closed:- 8.05pm**