

Ardleigh Sailing Club: Minutes of Committee Meeting 9th September 2015.

Attendance: Jonathan Reubin, John Thompson, Robert Turvil, Richard Biggs, Paul Constable, Richard Clayton, Anja Newman, Alec Mumford

Apologies: Martin Bradbury

Standing Items:

August minutes were approved and the Commodore was authorised to sign them. Proposed by John Thompson, seconded by Richard Biggs.

Matters Arising

None

Correspondence Received

The Commodore reported that the Optimist Class Association had requested use of the Club facilities for two or three winter training events. Paul Constable will contact them with safety boat fees proposed at £20 per half day and £30 for a full day including fuel.

Health and Safety

Accident and visitors books passed round committee. New entries in the visitor's book were noted.

Paul Constable reported an incident involving a new member as a result of which the Committee agreed to re-emphasise to members of their responsibility for their own safety.

It was resolved to re-introduce buoyancy tests.

Financial Summary

The Hon Treasurer gave his report and it was noted that the club made a small profit for the month. Richard Biggs reported that the Rowers had paid their subscription of £1500. It was agreed that the Club needs to agree a list of what is included in their subscription. The Commodore will notify the Hon Treasurer when the rowers request extra training days.

It was agreed to keep the Winter Series pricing at the same rates as last year.

Sailing, Social and Training

The Commodore reported that Georgia Grice will be available to run the Optimist training next year.

After a discussion about locking up the Club the Commodore agreed to issue a checklist and instructions.

The Sailing Secretary will issue a poster and change the Club Calendar for the revised OK and Enterprise Open day and the new Wednesday mini series. It was agreed to change the Maintenance Day (4th October) to a Training Day. Members will be trained for the race hut, the safety boat and the galley.

Richard Clayton will email all members of this change.

Trainers: Safety boat AM ANO, Race hut RC ANO, Galley JR.

The Sailing Secretary will send out the OK/Enterprise notice of race.

JR and JT agreed to sail the Club's Enterprise in the Open.

The Vice Commodore will circulate the rules for canoes. The rules will be reviewed at the end of April 2016.

Constitution and Trustee Matter

It was agreed to make Steve Ede a full member to resolve the Trustee issue.

Membership

The Membership secretary reported that the boat park allocation by boat class is progressing.

It was agreed to take the two abandoned boats away from the Club entrance on the maintenance day.

The Membership Secretary will write to advise the owner that the boat is being scrapped.

The membership secretary will provide membership numbers for the next meeting. It is still a problem finding owner's for some of the boats.

It was agreed to supervise the clearance of the trailer park by using a scrap metal merchant.

Structural/Facilities

The Commodore will offer £1000 to the pontoon supplier.

After a discussion about security it was agreed to install security cameras.

Any Other Business

Alec Mumford stated that it is important to rotate the usage of the safety boats.

John Thompson proposed an Indian takeaway for the Laying up Supper and Prize giving evening to be held in the Clubhouse on the 17th October.

It was agreed that the trophies for the prize giving should be engraved.

RB proposed that the club hold a monthly draw for the members who come to the club each week to try to increase membership attendance.

JT will provide a register for members to sign in for a one month trial.

AM will obtain quotes for exchanging a safety boat engine.

The meeting closed at 2126.

Date of the next meeting 14th October 2015