



Ribble Cruising Club



Main Committee Meeting Minutes

Draft 2 Minutes of Main Committee meeting

7th January 2019

Those Present:

Peter Benett (PB)	Rob Jarman (RJ)	Alexander Drysdale (AD)
Richard Blackburn (RB)	Richard Freeman (RF)	Andrew Walls (AW2)
Mike Briers (MB)	Richard Elsdon (RE)	Tony Robins (TR)
David Miller (DHM)	Chris Butler (CB)	Mike Leman (ML)
Charlotte Smith (CS)	Kate Benett (KB)	Simon Redfern (SR)
Keith Lawton (KL)		

Obituary: Before the meeting PB announced a moment of reflection for Tony Walker, a trustee of RCC and joined the club in its earliest days, who passed away before Christmas. We also remembered Joan Chambers who passed away on New Year's Eve.

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| 1.0 Apologies
Allan Williams, Angela Begley, Jeanette Richardson, John Gallagher | |
| 2.0 Minutes from previous meeting. December draft 2 needs additional line added for the bylaw addition regarding members receiving the handbook.
Minutes proposed, with changes by MB and Seconded by RF. | |
| 3.0 Matters Arising | |
| 3.1 Deed of Trust: MB to update this document to reflect the passing of Tony Walker. One new trustee will be nominated at the end of this meeting. | MB |
| 3.2 GDPR: The final draft has been published on the website thanks to RE | |
| 3.3 RYA Affiliation Conference: Was a good event that RJ, RE, CB and MB attended. The feedback from this still needs to be covered in Development Committee. | Dev Com |
| 3.4 Dock Debts: There are no new developments on these. | |
| 3.5 Appointment of New Trustee: This arises due to the loss of Tony Walker. The club needs to have three trustees to comply with the club rules. PB informed the MC of the candidates, MB, RE, RF and Alan Slorick. A secret ballot would be taken at the end of the meeting. | |
| 4.0 Correspondence | |
| 4.1 Claim: MB informed the MC that a 'claim' had been lodged with Blackpool County Court. On behalf of MC and the members, RCC has submitted the acknowledgement and intention to defend within the 14 days as required. MC confirmed this action and decided that a small ad-hoc subcommittee would be formed to deal with legal matters arising. | |
| 4.2 RYA Cruising news: Carbon Monoxide alarm standards have been approved. | |
| 4.3 RYA Clubroom : Volunteer and club of the year awards, legal updates | |
| 4.4 RYA NW Cruising Conference: Wednesday 27 th February The Mount Orrell. There will be an update from the RYA given by Stuart Carruthers. | |
| 4.5 Wind Farms: Ongoing maintenance within the 'area', Eskmeals firing. | |
| 5.0 Treasurer's Report | |
| 5.1 Monthly Report: DHM presented expenses for December for MC to review and approve. | |
| 5.2 Budgets: DHM reminded the sub committees that the budgets for 2019 are required before the next meeting. There will be a separated meeting to discuss the budgets. 2019 budgets will have separate Revenue and Capital. | |
| 5.3 DHM is following up the clubhouse business rates with FBC, and Alan Slorick is protesting the Docks business rates. | DHM |
| 5.4 PPL/PRS: MB is in dispute with PPL/PRS, having sent a claim to have the rate reduced, however he is becoming more concerned because RCC is still getting emails demanding the full amount. | |
| 5.5 No progress on the Dock Debts due to other matters, it was agreed however to write to Zylde regarding their boat again and the hope to relocate it to their home. | |

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6.0 Dock Committee

- 6.1 A successful working party was held on the 9th December and was attended by 50 members. A number of jobs were completed. Further working parties have been arranged to complete the jobs.
- 6.2 Hardstanding Officer of the month rota has been set.
- 6.3 Winch and Tug safety awareness training has been completed with 9 dock committee members attending.
- 6.4 Winch Progress: work has been progressing on both winches.
- 6.5 Two new Dock By-lays, have been created one is aimed at establishing a waiting list, the other to manage berths that are not actively being used. MC are happy with these measures and asked that any systems which is decided needs to be fair to everyone.
- 6.6 A new cooker and cabin first aid kit is required. The life rings need checking and replacing as necessary. A dock asset register is also to be created.

7.0 Fabric Committee.

- 7.1 Roof has been fixed. The hot water issues is still being investigated.
- 7.2 DHM has fixed the access gate, so it can now only be opened from the RCC side.

8.0 Sailing Committee

- 8.1 Still looking for a new chairperson.
- 8.2 Christmas cruise was well attended and subsequent gathering back at the clubhouse, maybe look at doing something similar in the Summer when better weather?
- 8.3 Try Sailing: It has been decided to do it differently this year. This is relating to the lack of RYA ticketed instructors. RB and Adrian are going to use their day boats to give people the opportunity to experience sailing. Training will be focused more on the last few years try sailors.
- 8.4 FBC has asked for RCC support for The Even Bigger Picnic 2019. FBC have only received the funding to improve the facilities at Fairhaven lake. RB and RJ are going to continue to coordinate with FBC.

9.0 Training Committee

- 9.1 Have identified that this coming season due to a reduction in the number of RYA ticketed instructors, at least initially training will be aimed towards the current members rather than increasing the numbers of new members.
- 9.2 The aim for this season will be to further improve the safety cover provided, by running a course specifically relating to activities that RCC undertakes on the river.

10.0 Social Committee

- 10.1 Have had the commodores house warming and the New Years event, along with the Christmas cruise. Thanks to everyone who helped out at any of the events.
- 10.2 The dishwasher and the cookers will need to be replaced soon.
- 10.3 Tuesday talks continue with a full calendar of talks the next one is Tuesday 29th January.
- 10.4 The next event is the Commodores Sherry evening on Saturday 9th March

11.0 Development Committee

- 11.1 Have had their first meeting and discussed a number of issues.
- 11.2 Membership letters have gone out, and GDPR has been added to the website.

12.0 Communications Sec

- 12.1 Handbook is being sent to print in February, please email RE with any events that need to go in.
- 12.2 The new house law bylaws and Dock ones, wording needs to be sent too, if to be included in this years handbook.

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MB

13.0 Membership Sec

- 13.1 Out of Port Membership: Pete Bently, Proposed by MB Seconded by RB, all approved.
- 13.2 Membership renewals are starting to come in already, have also had some resignations.
- 13.3 Two new honorary members propose.
Judy Walker, Tony Walkers wife, Proposed by RB seconded by MB all approved
Joe Wray Proposed by MB seconded by RF all approved.

14.0 AOB

- 14.1 PB organised a secret ballot for MC for the new trustee. PB announced that as a result of the vote he was pleased to announce that Mike Briers was the new trustee.

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Next Meeting Monday 4th February 2019

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