



## **Agreed Minutes Ribble Cruising Club Main Committee Meeting**

### **6<sup>th</sup> August 2018**

**Obituary:-** Before opening the meeting The Commodore asked for a quiet moment to reflect on the life of Mitch Bromage a family member for over 25 years.

**Madeleine ( Mitch ) Bromage** passed away on Saturday after a long fight with serious illness. Mitch and Colin have been family members for over 25 years. Mitch met Colin at Bae Warton, and was soon out in *Vito*, winning several Class 2 trophies in the Eighties, including the Regatta Trophy three times. Mitch enjoyed the social events, and supporting their two boys, Peter and Stephen, while sailing Oppies and Toppers. She had been very ill for some time in her later years. Our thoughts and prayers are with Colin and his family. The funeral will be held at 3pm on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August at Lytham Crematorium, with a reception at the Clubhouse from 4pm,

**Those Present:-** Peter Benett (PB), David Miller (DHM), Andrew Rosser (AR), Andrew Wall (AW2), Peter Pollock, Richard Freeman, Chris Butler (CB), Jeanette Richardson (JR), Alexander Drysdale (AD), Tony Robins (TR), Richard Blackburn (RB), Don Flannery (DF),

**1.0 Apologies:** Allan Williams, Tony Walker, Jackie Freeman, John Keaskin, Mike Briers, John Gallagher, Mike Leman. Keith Lawton. Rob Jarman. Richard Elsdon.

**2.0 Minutes:-** The minutes of the meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2018 were approved at draft 1 unanimously proposed JR and seconded by RB

### **3.0 Matters Arising:-**

**3.1:- Robert Marsh:-** PB explained that he had replied to Robert Marsh (RM) informing him that as he was unwilling to accept the purpose of the meeting, PB would regard this as him declining the invitation, and a specific meeting would not be arranged. RM has since written again requesting a specific meeting,

Following discussion, MC agreed that the RYA advice to decline from further correspondence would be followed. Specific points in the letter regarding the roles of Rear Commodore, Social Secretary and Sailing Secretary, raised at AGM, would be addressed by a notice to Members and on the Club website.

**3.2 Deed of Trust:** Attempts to identify the relevant paperwork had not been successful. David Miller is yet to approach Allan Williams on this matter. Club member Bill Wignall has kindly arranged to take a fresh review of the situation.

**3.3 FBC letter re 'Waiver of Lease Covenant':-** RB confirmed that he had been in correspondence with FBC on this matter.

**3.4 Data Protection, GDPR:-** in the absence of MJB, discussion was limited. RB and RF expressed the view that a pragmatic approach could be taken, reassuring members that circulation of data would always be limited to the membership, and that acceptance of membership to the Club, would imply acceptance of this specific and limited use of data. A Data Protection Officer was not identified.

**3.5 Motion Picture Licensing Company.** After discussion, DM and RF expressed the view that the limited use of this facility did not justify the cost of a licence, and that further use would be reviewed and restricted.

#### **4.0 Correspondence:-**

**4.1 Cruising News and RYA NW newsletters:** these were not discussed in the absence of MJB

**4. Letter David Twitney:-** RB has replied, and transfer of Out of Port membership was being arranged.

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

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**6.0 Sailing Report:-** Don Flannery presented the Sailing Committee report:-

**6.1** DF reported a good month for sailing, Cruise to Piel Island, Chris Rayner successfully reached The Scillies, sail training both at Fairhaven and on the river & The Ribble Plate (which involves 6 races) took place throughout July. On the 27<sup>th</sup> July a Dinghy Working Party was arranged to clear out the loose concrete and identify all trolleys and road trailers belonging to each boat. On 18<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> Aug the MBSA Annual Regatta will this year be held at South Windermere Sailing Club & there will be a full sailing programme for Dinghies at the club with the Cruisers again planning a long Weekend to Piel Island / with a return trip from Whitehaven on the 27<sup>th</sup>

**7.0 Training Report:-** RB briefly presented a report on Training:-

**7.1; Sail Training;** 12 juniors and 12 adults are attending on Wednesday evenings at Fairhaven Lake, and making good progress. Saturday sessions have also been well attended, mainly on the water. RF requested that MC record our thanks to Peter Pollock for his commitment to training, especially of the juniors, and wish him well in his new job.

**7.2 Powerboat Training:-** RB reported that PB2 Training had taken place on 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> July.

**8.0 Dock Report:-** KL was absent but sent an email relating to a significant incident. AW2 gave a verbal report:-

*'Ian McCreath's boat was being launched, when the winch cable broke. The boat slid back and hit the jetty. No injury occurred or significant damage. AW2 inspected the cable and area surrounding the slope. Dock Committee has requested reports from all parties. Alan Slorick has asked to arrange an inspection and report on the winch and cable. KL decommissioned both winches. An urgent review meeting was being arranged, by the Dock Committee, and following this KL would produce a report on lessons learned, recommendations and actions, to present to MC, before the winches would be re-commissioned'*

**9.0 Fabric Report:-** ML was absent. Andrew Rosser reported that all painting had been completed.

Don Flannery raised a question on the need to repair the concrete in the dinghy tank. Simon Begley and Richard Elsdon would be asked for advice on the best way to proceed.

**10.0 House Report:-** RF reported on the profits made from events so far- £575. He also explained the expenses incurred so far, which mainly related to the upcoming Autumn Dinner on 15<sup>th</sup> September

**11.0 Development Committee:-** PB reported

**11.1 President,** No further progress

**11.3 Subscriptions:-** no change to method of determining. A recommendation for a rise would be made at AGM this year.

**12.0 Communications Report:-** RME had nothing to report'.

#### **13.0 Membership Report**

RB presented 4 new member applications

Simon Jefford (Ordinary) Proposed by Paul Clarkson & seconded by Alan Taylor. RB explained that Simon had been a transitional member for over two months.

Jason and Sarah Relf (Family) proposed by Rob Jarman and seconded by Richard Elsdon, RB explained they were well known to Tresaining team having been on Fairhaven Lake several times  
Anthony Burns (Ordinary), proposed by Bill Shortall and seconded by Andrew Clift, this application had been deferred from July to allow Anthony to meet some RCC Officials.  
Iain Booth (Associate) Proposed by Richard Blackburn and Seconded by Michael Briers. RB explained Iain had been an active RCC member previously & now would like to rejoin Socially.

14.0 AOB :- None

Next Meeting 3<sup>rd</sup> September 8pm in Clubhouse