

# Minutes of the ECSC General Committee Meeting

Held on August 11<sup>th</sup> 2021

## Attendees:

The Commodore Peter Ball (PB) took the Chair, President Tony Cole (TC), Richard Davis (RD), Paul Walker (PW), John Barnes (JB), Daniel Wirdham (DW), Ray Hallett (RH), Paul Hippolite (PH), Tim Pressey (TP), Mike Harvey (MH) & Bob Spendley.

## Apologies:

Jon Knott (JK) & Graham Stone (GS).

The Commodore opened the meeting & welcomed the new Committee members

## Outline of Committee Members & Flag Officers areas of responsibility

There was considerable discussion with regard to this item especially with regard to the Vice Commodores responsibility for House (Club infrastructure, Buildings services etc.).

TC referred to responsibility chart which outlined the officers responsibilities and sub committee structure. That had been adopted successfully by the Club for several years. JB stated he thought the Vice Commodore should only be a stand in for the Commodore if he was not available. And there should be a rear Commodore responsible for house. PW stated that the Vice Commodore being responsible for house was due to the Committee being reduced in size and he should have a responsibility.

It was decided to defer this topic to the next meeting.

## Outline of Criteria for Sub Committees

Deferred to next meeting.

## Committee Family Tree

DC asked the Committee if we should reinstate the displayed family tree on the Notice board so that members could see who the Committee members and Flag Officers were. However he believed personal contact details should not be displayed. He circulated a copy of one from 2013-14 as an example. JB stated that the version was old fashioned and not how things are done now in industry. He was asked to come up with a more appropriate one.

## Correspondence

DC Stated there had been no recent correspondence. There was however a request from the RYA for the return of their membership survey. This had been carried out by Karen

## Reports

House: Vice Commodore (RD) stated there was nothing to report

Finance: Hon. Treasurer (DC) asked members if they had any questions with regard to the July Finance report that they had been sent by Email. (see Below)

### **Income**

Bank Interest Earned	£0.45	
Club Merchandise Sales		£21.00
Donations	£ 2.91	
Joining Fee	£100.00	
Key Fob purchase		£32.00
Membership Fees		£321.00

### **Sailing income**

Race Entry Fees		£280.00
<u>Total Sailing income</u>	<u>£280.00</u>	

### **Storage**

Annual Boat Storage Ashore		£110.25
Kayak Storage	£43.00	
Locker / Cupboard		£14.00
Mooring Fees	£122.05	
Mooring Sub-Let		£37.00
Short term Boat Storage Ashore		£76.84

Total Storage	£403.14
Visitor Berth Fees	£90.00
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£1,250.50</b>

#### **Expense**

Cleaning Materials	£90.14
Insurance Expense	£60.00
Internet expenses	£29.95
Launch Costs	£782.82

#### **Maintenance & Repair**

Fire & Security System	£11.05
Pontoon Maintenance & Repair	£20.62
Maintenance & Repair - Other	£60.00
<b>Total Maintenance &amp; Repair</b>	<b>£91.67</b>

#### **Rent and Rates**

Crown Commission	£3,400.00
<b>Total Rent and Rates</b>	<b>£ 3,400.00</b>

Waste Disposal	£95.87
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<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>£4,550.45</b>
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<b>Deficit for the Month</b>	<b>£3,299.95</b>
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He stated as of today the combined account balances stood at £132,096.07.

Sailing: Rear Commodore Sailing (JB) presented the report in the form of Minutes of sailing committee meeting held Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2021

Present: John Garlic, Susan Garlic, Peter Ball, Guy Shelbourne, John Barnes, Tod Taylor  
Apologies – Peter Jackson

Introduction of the clubs Commodore: Club commodore Peter Ball was introduced to the sailing committee followed by JB introducing each member of the team to PB explaining the roles carried out by each member of the small team.

Fair sailing and sportsmanship at ECSC: With the large turnout of yachts on Thursday evening racing it had been raised that it would be an appropriate time for a message to be relayed to the competitors encouraging fair play and sportsmanship in line with ethos of ECSC racing, as RC sailing, JB would compose a message to be posted on the ECSC sailing WhatsApp group.

ECSC Regatta: Questions were raised by JB to the team regarding this year's regatta, prior to the pandemic recent regattas had been poorly supported which was disappointing considering the amount of time and effort it takes to arrange and to run the day. After discussion and debate the decision is to cancel the formal regatta which was planned for 28<sup>th</sup> August, however the first race of the Sunday brunch series will also be a cup race and trophies as well as points to be confirmed as and when entries are confirmed.

Future use of Danny H: Following on from the rudder issue JB has taken a close look at condition of Danny H.

Danny H is now approximately 50 years old with much of her mechanicals being original fit, for continued use as a support boat some major decisions are to be made to replace major items and to refit Danny H to a standard acceptable to make her fit for purpose. JB to raise and discuss with the general committee.

It was felt that the club Rib was still a valuable asset to the club pending the hopeful establishment of the sea front slipway and future club dinghy sailing from the dinghy park.

AOB

It was pointed out that the club will need a representative on the slipway project team following the leaving of the former commodore David Nixon.

DC stated that he would like to be involved in the Slipway Project Team

Stores: Rear Commodore Stores (PW) stated that his Stores Sub Committee will consist of Paul Denham, Dave Casson, Richard Davis & Peter Ball.

He reported that the tubular brackets holding the service pontoon were corroded and in need of replacement. He was asked to get quotes for the work.

That due to the state of the quay wall a plate or strip for cradle guide wheels was needed and he has considered various materials. He was asked to get samples & quotes.

The Clubs cradles are in a bad state and we need a replacement. It was agreed we should get a copy of our main cradle with some improvements to overcome some small issues. And that the existing one should be modified to match. He was asked to get quotes.

Social: Rear Commodore Social (DW) Stated that his Social Sub Committee will consist of Patti Urry, Judie Brachi, Richard Davis & Peter Ball.

They are looking to plan some events for the future especially at Christmas.

DC stated that an amount of petty cash could be issued to pay for items needed for events but perhaps he and DW could discuss this later.

Health & Safety: The Health & Safety Officer (JN) sent the following Report via Email

I'll start risk assessments over the next few months and make any recommendations to the committee, also need to look at the defib to assess its continued usefulness.

Not sure where the club first aid kit is but if it exists I'll check it and I'll look at any existing H&S policies there might already and update if necessary.

Questions were raised with regard to the defibrillator and First Aid Training.

DC stated he believed Our Fire Safety Risk Assessment is out of date. PB to investigate.

The Clubroom Fire Alarm servicing is believed to be out of date. It was agreed to get Wight Fire that service our extinguishers to quote to service it.

Motor Boating & Fishing: The Rear Commodore Motor Boating & Fishing (RH)

"The Barney's cup BBQ" took place on Sunday the 1st of August went very well considering the weather that came in that afternoon.

We erected one of the clubs marquee's and kept dry under there with drinks music great food and 2 potentially new members who stumbled across the event after loosing a fender.

Our gathering took a slight twist when we were alarmed to hear a cry for help from an unnamed sailor who was in desperate need of a rescue operation to save his dinghy.

All In all a great day was had by all and we look forward to more events to be enjoyed by us all in the near future.

A really good turn out with seven boats, 8 people; Richard, Ray, Lee , Brian+1, Tim, Paul and Graham all in their own boats. Unfortunately, Mike couldn't make it as he wasn't well.

Conditions were good and calm first thing and some boats went off early to catch some mackerel for the BBQ. Overall mackerel were a bit scarce. Ray caught six mackerel and other boats caught scad and Bass. Brian headed off to the western Solent for his prize Bream and he caught it, a whopping 5 lb 9 ½ oz Gilt head, which was weighed accurately, likely to be an Island record (see photo). Paul also did well off the Red funnel pontoon with two bass, one of 4lb. So Ray was a clear winner and receiver a fishing voucher and also his name on the Barneys cup which will be awarded at the Autumn prize giving. The BBQ was organised well by Richard and Dan and was going well at 3 pm, despite the rain. Also joining the BBQ was Tom and Julia, who bought mackerel from Waitrose, rather than catching them! There will be changes to the Points System to 6,4 & 2 and 1 for signing in.

DEFRA have now changed the Rules with regard to Bass you are now allowed to catch 2 fish per day.

The next competition will be an Autumn Species hunt on September 28<sup>th</sup>.

Night sole competitions on August 7<sup>th</sup> and on September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Matters Arising from the AGM

Ballot: There have been questions raised with regard to the result of the AGM ballot of Committee Members. The Ballot papers have been retained in case of an query. It was agreed that the full results of votes cast for each candidate be posted.

New Members: Two application forms were received but neither had Proposers/Sponsor signatories RH to deal with one. The other is to be returned to the applicant to get the required signature.

An application from Mr Richard Webb Proposed by Andrew Cleave, PW Interviewed, All were in favour of accepting him as a member.

A.O.B.: DC stated that a new laptop was needed to transfer the key fob entry system software from Torsten as its on his own personal Laptop. DC proposed a budget of £350 to purchase a new Laptop It was agreed to purchase.

when this is done the system will be transferred ASAP. He also stated we need to purchase new key fobs as Karen is running out. He has found a source and can order them. It was agreed to purchase what is required.

He also stated that a small working group needs to be set up to evaluate what we need with regard to replacing the current key fob system which is out of date and replacement parts are hard to find with a more modern system. This also applies to our CCTV system which is a hotch-potch of domestic bits & Pieces.

It was decided to get a company to advise and quote.

Date of next Meeting

1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 at 19:00