

NORTH CHESHIRE CRUISING CLUB LTD

Minutes of the digital “zoom” Board meeting of the Board of Directors of the abovementioned Club held on Monday 11th October 2021 at 7.30 pm

PRESENT:-

John Fenton (Chairman), Pam Suggitt (Company Secretary), Bill Jewsbury, (Finance Director), Eric Roberts, (Land & Water Space Director), Pam Russell, (Membership Services Director), Denise Wright (Director without Portfolio), Bob Barlow, (Director without Portfolio - Bar) Martin Tattersall, (Premises Director)

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:- None

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Proposed by ER and Seconded by MT

3. MATTERS ARISING:- None

4. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:-

I only have one thing to report and that is the 'Rodney Bostock subject'. I have been in contact with the solicitors and am waiting for their reply. If I don't get anywhere by tomorrow, I will contact them again. Final letter to Rodney Bostock not yet sent that is why I need to see a Solicitor to have it approved. Just as a matter of interest they haven't closed any offices as we thought, they have moved the Wilmslow offices elsewhere in Wilmslow (Church Street).

5. COMPANY SECRETARY’S REPORT:-

- 1) AGM – review applicants. I think it is a waste of time sending out AGM Director/Officer Nomination Forms and Proxy Forms via e-mail – not discussed
- 2) Eric’s job description needs bringing up to date - ongoing
- 3) Discuss Job description for Wharf Officer – see Eric Roberts’ report
- 4) Discuss Job description for Slipway Admin Officer – see Eric Roberts’ report
- 5) Any other job descriptions requiring updating? none
- 6) Correct job title for Land & Water Space Director according to Articles of Association is Water & Land Space Manager. Should this be amended? Yes it should be.
- 7) Articles of Association show old Trustee contacts, four of whom have died. Update? It was decided to update the AA.
- 8) Discuss Advertising on NCCC site. Please refer to page 13 (4.8) of Lease under Advertising. Advertising anywhere on club premises not allowed.
- 9) Rule Book completion date is now urgent. When will it be ready for printing? Rule Book meeting arranged for Monday 18th October 2021.
- 10) Removal of Brian B boat from slipway side of hardstanding – in hand.
- 11) There is still a lot of work to do regarding updating the NCCC website. Bob Barlow suggested that Rob Shaw should be chased up about modernising the website.
- 12) Passwords for the website? Have these been given to a Director? Please confirm if you have them. No, was the answer.
- 13) Notices re AGM displayed in Workshop and Clubhouse and reminder by E-mail. It was suggested that a notice on the entrance gate might be helpful.

6. FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:-

1. Books will be into the accountants this week.
2. mooring money is coming in
3. The £50.00 donation re the Club BBQ has been sent to McMillan's

7. LAND & WATER SPACE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:-

We have now knocked down two boathouses and cleared the area

We had a work party on Saturday

Bob Barlow has sorted the lights on the electric pillars

The next work party is scheduled for the second Saturday in November, i.e. 13th

The slipway job description

Taking boats out and in on slipway also taking money and paperwork for slipway and the sale of gas and derv and filling in forms (keeping the Land and Water director up-to-date).

Hazel Bowker will not be expected to carry out heavy work.

The wharf job description

Ensuring that the yard is in good repair (keeping the Land and Water Director up-to-date)

8. MEMBERSHIP SERVICES DIRECTOR'S REPORT:-

I have two new members to put forward for membership. They are Steve and Catherine Jackson who are having a new boat built for them.

Length of boat will be 50 ft and it will be called AALIN

9. PREMISES DIRECTOR'S REPORT:- Nothing to report, however:-

- 1) The double electrical socket outlet on the left-hand side as you walk into the Workshop needs attention.
- 2) Bleep from alarm needs new battery

10. DWP BAR REPORT:-

The Bar was reopened to members on Friday 10th September and 34 Members attended.

The bar took the princely sum of £104-63. Claire Webster was good enough to look after the Bar for the evening. Since then the attendance has declined and Friday 8th October only 14 Members attended the Meeting.

I had considered whether it was worth continuing to open Friday evenings, and just open Sunday lunch, but in hindsight Members coming on Sundays inclined to have cups of tea and coffee and very little Alcohol was sold (between £5/£12). So not a good idea. We will have to continue with Fridays and hope that members start to get over the worry of the pandemic.

Once the deep clean has been done in the kitchen perhaps we can resume Sunday as some members have asked me when will the bar and Kitchen be open on Sundays again,

Lyndsey Hillman has expressed an interest regarding taking a Licensees course for the club. She would be quite willing to take on the responsibility from me when I end my service next

year. I would be happy to stand down at that time as she has had a great deal of experience running a Bar facility for the Navy. I am quite willing to work with her for the time being so that when the time comes, she will be fully compliant. Lyndsey has offered to do the Deep Clean in the Bar this past Sunday

I would be grateful if the Board would consider her for the Licensee in the future and allow her to take the online course that is available at present, which is £119.00 plus vat. All greed.

11. DWP REPORT – DW:- Nothing to Report

12. COMMODORE'S REPORT:-

This year's Brass Band concert has been cancelled due to Covid.

It is planned that the Adults' Christmas Party should go ahead but for 50 members only.

It was confirmed that tea and coffee can be provided during members' night, at a small charge.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS:-

a) It was decided that Garrie Naden should be asked to pay £204.17 penalty for not volunteering to help at work parties in the 7 months he has been a member of the club. Detailed information can be found in the e-mails John F has circulated to us all.

b) PS was asked to update the job titles for the Wharf Vacancy on the Officers' Vacancy list displayed in both the Clubroom and the Workshop.

c) DW brought up the subject of PR and JF having three votes between them as suggested by Brian Bowker. PR has a vote in her own right and John F has two votes. One as Chairman but only votes when he needs to cast the deciding vote and the other as Commodore. Was our Board biased because of this?

d) Should DW be successful in her nomination to be Chairperson, she will have to step down from Director without Portfolio. This then leaves the position open for nominations. This will be left open until after the AGM when members will be asked for nominations via e-mail.

e) Ian Wilson (not a club member) has 41 x 35 mm slides of the club for sale at £25.00 for the lot. It was agreed to purchase them and retain in the Archives.

f) Ditchcrawler – can this be bi-monthly? To be discussed further.

g) CCTV – workman has Covid. Will replace hard drive when he is better.

h) Trees near BJ's boat at far end of the towpath near bridge. Tree surgeon due to visit during the afternoon of 25th October 2021.

i) CRT have said that the building is underinsured. We need to have an independent survey carried out. It was decided to contact Ian Tongue and arrange for a valuation to take place. JF will contact them.

14) DATE OF NEXT ZOOM MEETING TO DISCUSS RULE BOOK

18th October 2021 at 7.30 pm

15) DATE OF NEXT ZOOM BOARD MEETING

8th November 2021 at 7.30 pm

Meeting ended at 21.45 pm.