

North Cheshire Cruising Club Directors Reports

For Approval at Board Meeting

22 April 2024

Chairmans Report -

Company Secretary's Report – Confirmation Statement for 2024 has been completed and filed. Nothing else to report.

Finance Director's Report - I am working on the VAT return for the first quarter, otherwise nothing much to report. The electricity bill has increased from around £600 per month to £1300 pm now that we are on a new tariff so I would suggest it is definitely worth revisiting the possibility of solar panels once we know the outcome of our negotiations with C&RT.

Account balances as at 9 April: Current account - £37338.54 / Savings account - £119128.81

Land & Water Space Directors Report - Work party on April 13, had a reasonable turnout. Most jobs have either been finished or are close to being finished. The slabbing from Dave's boat around has been to the end near the sheds have been finished. The shed on the slipway side is ready to be assembled, after a little bit or remedial work has been done by one of our members. The paint shed has had it roof partially stripped ready for it being reroofed which we expect will be completed before the next work party. A number of 12ft 3x2 lengths of wood have been purchased to strengthen the roof, which will also have its height raised. We may need a few more slabs to finish other areas, and have a couple of slabs that need levelling. One of our members is looking at the dredger, and parts are being sourced for it.

Membership Services Director's Report - Nothing to report

Premises Director's Report - The Mary Sunley Social and also the party for Bill Wilkinsons daughter are all sorted. We have the number of bar staff required, and all the music and catering is being sorted by Mary Sunley and Bill. For information Mary Sunley are well aware the Hazel and Brian Bowker are not allowed to attend.

April work party – more painting has been done in the picture gallery with just the door frames to paint. All the doors have been painted. Painting has also started in the Foyer. All the skirtings, and frames (except CCTV) have been done (ran out of paint). The cellar door has been painted. The painting team (me, Adrian and one other) will continue at the next work party.

Work to be undertaken going forward: The handrail and stairs will need to be sanded backed and revarnished. We have a new project to be undertaken over the next couple of months which is to sort out the 'childrens room' – we are looking to make this into a dedicated storage room which will hold everything that is in the back office, and the other half of the childrens room to be a dedicated wharf office. Where the wharf office is will now become a kitchen / canteen area so that the chairs come out of the main workshop area. The two walls for the back office will be taken down. If anyone knows of any kitchen units and work surface that is free please let me know. We will replace the lockers in the workshop with metal lockers in the canteen area. Also the front doors to the foyer need sorting out – cleaning and new putty putting in them.

Electrical work in the workshop needs to be completed to bring the workshop upto standard. Approval required for work to be done. Pdfs of the estimates are attached. Will put into the AOB for approval.

Picture of the new childrens room canteen area also attached.

Bar Director's Report — Nothing really to report from the bar, I've already emailed you all to confirm the volunteers for Bill's party in September so that's all good. Looking for a replacement fridge for the broken one, might be more expensive than I first thought but will send you some links when I get some, thanks Nige for measuring again for me. Thursday 25 April: Mary Sunley social. Pam and John have kindly volunteered to cover this (thank you!). It's approx. 40-50 people and I'll make sure the bar is stocked ready to go. Pretty much it for me for now. I'll email again if anything does come up before the meeting

Director without Portfolio - Nothing to report

Commodore's Report - The Fitting Out Supper was a most enjoyable event and extremely well received by members. The live band and hot food were a massive hit and I strongly recommend we use this format going forward. We had over 60 people attend and made a profit of just over £300. I have had several emails of appreciation and support from the members and hope to follow a similar format for the Laying Up Supper. The Easter Cruise was well attended and a good time was had by all. The newly cleared area at Whiteley Green proved to be perfect for the BBQ and social events as the normal area was completely waterlogged. Again, feedback has been extremely positive, so much so that I am organising a similar cruise for the May Day bank holiday weekend. Plans for the Summer Cruise are well underway and an itinerary will be issued soon. Sunday lunches have now finished, which is a shame as these are much appreciated by some of our older members. I wonder whether we could explore the possibility that they could be continued over any of the April-Sept period? I appreciate this depends on the willingness of volunteers to man the kitchens - please add to AOB.

Financial reports: Fitting Out Supper - Profit of £300.10 / Sunday lunches - Profit of £535.52 (Oct 2023 - March 2024) - just to clarify, the profit shown for the Fitting Out Supper is the Commodore's fund profit. In addition we took £386.80 over the bar. All cash has been banked apart from a float of £41.49