

Ashlett Sailing Club



Minutes of the committee meeting held on Thursday 8th August 2024 at 7 pm in the Clubhouse.

- Present: Chris Brown Commodore, Jim Hopwood Secretary, Carl Sharman, Alan Morrison, Debs Boles, Keith Guy-Gibbens, Simon Lovelock, Barry Andrew and Neil Howarth and Ade Lumb by TEAMS.
- 2. Apologies for Absence: Dave Waters, Adrian Barnes
- 3. Minutes of the last meeting **approved**.
- 4. Commodore Chris Brown:
 - a) Working on bill of sale to transfer Ete to the club.
 - b) Agreed to advertise it for sale as is or look for a project manager to refurbish it.
- 5. Secretary Jim Hopwood:
 - a) Agreed AGM Saturday 9th November (HW 1621)
 - i) Notice given 4 weeks before.
 - ii) Nominations and motions due 2 weeks before.
 - iii) Agenda, accounts and annual report circulated by 1 week before.
 - b) Annual report contributions by end September please.
 - c) Need to think about committee nominations assume you are standing if you don't say you are not!
- 6. Treasurer Ade Lumb
 - a) Accounts all in order with no significant outstanding bills or invoices
 - b) Has a check been done to ensure all boats on moorings, in the compound / hard and boathouse to see that everyone has paid. I know Adrian sent out lists. (Alan & I have been monitoring boats extended stay on hard.) Ask Adrian to resend lists and/or explain how to generate them from WebCollect.
 - c) Current financial position. Current a/c = £965 Business reserve a/c £25,252, 90day liquidity a/c £95,252 (less key deposit reserve £8,000)
 - d) Visitor moorings are bringing in a small revenue stream.
 - e) Our next revenue income will be winter lift out. (over £3,000 last winter)
- 7. Toilet / shower block process Ade Lumb
 - a) Planning permission submitted 17/06.24 (Cost £293) Estimate 8-week processing time.
 - Following negotiations for discounts I have secured 3% of the unit, 5% of the cladding & 15% of delivery. Final quotation for the unit is £ 63,519.86 + vat (Total £76,223.83) Total cost expected to be under £100,000

- c) Build slot booked for September with New Forest Containers. 5% deposit returnable (subject to planning permission) Paid £3,811.19
- d) Delivery November 2024
- e) We now need to clear the area of boats & trailers and start marking out the site and obtain levels.
- f) The unit will sit on concrete block at the same height as the clubhouse.
- g) Will purchase a commercial septic tank that will sit under the toilet block at a hight above flood level.
- h) We have committed to carrying out the blockwork, plumbing & electrical connections to the unit once delivered and erect the ramp and decking. Request Volunteers.
- i) Planning permission will cover demolition of the old toilet block and decommissioning the existing septic tank. This will be a project for next year once the new facility is in operation.
- j) Old toilet block to be demolished 3 months after commissioning of new facility.
- 8. Membership Adrian Barnes
 - a) I have two members needing interviews,
 - b) Two new applications this week and you know about Ian.
 - c) Agreed the 'fast track' chap has to pay a joining fee.
 - d) All applications are for fishing boats,
 - e) I understand that there are no moorings at the moment, I need to know if we still have space in the compound.
- 9. Bosun Simon Lovelock:
 - a) Old holed tender broken up and disposed of.
- 10. Pound –Barry Andrew
 - a) All fine. Four vacant spaces.
- 11. Pontoon and Slip Dave Waters:
 - a) All good.
- 12. Maintenance and Club House Alan Morrison
 - a) We have now collected the Decking boards for the new toilet and shower block, purchased from the Seashells Pub for the sum of £150.00, and stored them next to the Bosuns store.
 - b) We have purchased vouchers and items to the value of £150 for the regatta raffle using the tea and coffee money.
 - c) I have purchased the two new signs as agreed for the instructions to members and visitors using the pontoon and both have been fitted.
- 13. Creek Carl Sharman:
 - a) Wind instrument offered for boat jumble agreed to buy it for the club.
- 14. Regatta
 - a) Jim to recirculate timetable.
- 15. Sailing Events Debs Boles

- a) SWSA events are continuing to go well. Nab tower was a success with Pendragon and Now or Never representing ASC. The RTI has unfortunately had to be cancelled for this year as there are no suitable tides and dates that match up. The next SWSA main event that would be good for Ashlett boats is the Yarmouth rally/ race on the weekend of September 21/22nd. This is run in conjunction with HSC and has always been the highlight of the SWSA season. Once at Yarmouth there is a pontoon gathering and then plenty of options for food from joining in with visits to the eateries in Yarmouth or the SWSA option of a BBQ on the beach in the BBQ area. Something for everyone. A good opportunity for Ashlett boats that would like to sail in company and join in a rally.
- b) At the SWSA meeting last week next season was considered. RSYC and other clubs have talked about the need for all sailing clubs to work together when producing their sailing calendars as some clubs are experiencing falling numbers and this is due in part to the same pot of competitors being spread more thinly around a greater number of competing events on the same day. For this season and last we have worked in conjunction with Marchwood SC in the evening series who include some of the SWSA evening races in their programme and consequently there are more of us all sailing together enjoying the event. Warsash SC combined with SWSA for the passage race to the Nab tower. Just two examples. We are not seeking to push rocks uphill but looking for opportunities that benefit all. We are currently opening discussion with a number of clubs and something for us at Ashlett to ponder and feed into the mix any suggestions that may benefit Ashlett boats as well.
- c) The next and final Get Afloat Day/ Pursuit/ BBQ was planned for Saturday 7th September but this clashes with another event. **Agreed to postpone it to 5th October.**
- 16. Moorings Keith Guy-Gibbens:
 - a) Planning to relocate moorings and navigation buoys on Sunday after the regatta.
- 17. Boat House Neil Howarth:
 - a) Need to contact Sue Doyle's family about her dinghy.
- 18. AOB
 - a) Alan Brian Furgaland has moored his clinker built boat on the small work boat pontoon since last year, and has not contributed any money towards his stay. He has his own mooring, so do we ask him either to move back, or pay additional charges. Agreed he should move back onto his mooring or it should be re-let.
 - b) Alan Defibrillator needs service. Alan to arrange, Simon to add to maintenance calendar.
 - c) Debs Trailer parts and named sleepers have been removed from our pound space. Newsletter - Rremind members of property rules and supervise work parties.
 - d) Barry Agreed to buy more props for winter storage.
 - e) Newsletter Remind everyone of 3 knot speed limit especially near moorings.
 - f) Newsletter Tell Alan if you want a winter lift-out.

19. Future meetings: 12 September, 10 October, 14 November, 12 December