



CCSC General Committee Meeting

Tuesday 8th December 2020

7:30 pm via Zoom

MINUTES

Attendees

Adam Bowers, Members Rep
Andy Adler, Vice Commodore
Charlie Camm, Members Rep
Clive Fowler, Moorings Officer
Colin Munz, Hon Secretary
David Brock, Commodore
Diane Fowler, Safeguarding Officer

Fiona Grant, Hon Treasurer
Grace Martin, Rear Commodore Shore
Ian Green, Rear Commodore Sailing
Nigel Page, Members Rep
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1 Apologies

- Ann Varlow, Social Committee

2 Minutes of last GC meeting and actions arising

- Agreed with following clarifications: Item 9, bullet 1 – Grafter and Celtic Lady repairs do not fall under the Moorings Team: Item 13.4, bullet 8 – The meeting agreed not to raise the age of Cadets.
- Actions arising under AOB, Colin M reported that Sport England grants were targeted at clubs supporting disadvantaged groups and struggling with extra Covid costs and therefore no real opportunities for CCSC. Fiona G concurred with this view but advised that she had applied for a Local Support Grant of £1800 for the club and hoped for more success.

3 Incidents, Health Safety and Security

- No incidents reported.

4 Sailing Secretary and Sailing Committee Report

- Richard B had a successful handover with Monica W and future events for the 2021 sailing programme would include more longer passage racing and Sunday racing for Z Class keelboats.
- Sunday dinghy racing was planned for mornings in spring/autumn and afternoons in the summer.
- Invitational Sonata class event was planned with invites to Poole, Solent and Brixham yacht clubs.

5 Rear Commodore - Sailing Report

- No change to last year's fees to go in Marusa and Club Handbook although Portland Harbour fees have yet to be released and will be chased.
- Ian G and Grace M attended a meeting with Litter Free Dorset to support promotion for clean beaches including Sandsfoot Beach. Promotional letters and bin stickers would encourage public to take litter home if bins full, with extra collections to be provided during summer months. The emphasis was to keep litter out of sea, including boat waste, and raise water quality. Boat park run-off may also therefore be an issue of club concern.
- It was suggested that responsibility for ownership and management of Sandsfoot Beach, any access issues and re-negotiation of the club agreement with the Council could perhaps be best undertaken by a club led Sandsfoot Beach management group.
- David B would circulate 1994 Land Registry plans showing extent of club ownership of the beach and carpark together with HA plans of the public access road to beach which must not be gated.
- Ian G had responded to Portland Harbour on the Seaweed Farm proposal, regarding concerns about kelp possibly growing on moorings over winter. Apparently, the seaweed is harvested before it matures to produce 'seed' so will not affect moorings. There has been no answer yet to the issue

of Mark 8 which is located near the farm area, but it is on the PHAL agenda. There appears to have been no Impact Statement on leisure activities in the area which is concerning.

- The Boats Committee has advised that as part of the agreed engine replacement plan, a new engine has been bought for Tern Too but not yet collected so the warranty hasn't started any earlier than need be. Bill B plans to fit it before he goes abroad Dec 16th (to start of April). The next engine will be for Idler at the end of 2021, cost of around £15K but Bill expects to be able to recover £5K (minimum) from the sale of the old engine which is in good condition.
- No other engines have been replaced this winter but the tubes on Loafer are not in a good state and have had to be inflated often this year despite Keith adding patches. Bill B has had a quote of £4 to £5k to retube Loafer and after some discussion it was agreed to go ahead with the retube. The cost could be offset by deferring Idler engine replacement to 2022.
- Weymouth Outdoor Education Centre had requested a review of the club fee given its difficulty raising income this year and the reduced facilities at the club due to Covid restrictions. This year WOEC did manage to provide some canoeing at the club for disadvantaged young people and the club was overall supportive of these community activities. It was therefore agreed to charge WOEC one sixth of their £3,000 annual fee as they had only used the facilities for 1 month this summer.

6 Rear Commodore - Shore Report

- Winter Work Parties could start on Sunday 10th January and Grace M would advise on any clubhouse activities to be undertaken together with a risk assessment by Dianne F. Covid rules still applied and it would be necessary to identify specific volunteers for particular tasks and apply the necessary Covid 19 rules. Colin M would liaise with Grace M before initiating work parties.

7 Hon Treasurer Report

- The handover was going well and a Treasurer Team was in place with Martin Skipper taking over Insurance matters, Jane Hayward, familiar with accounting software, and Roger Whitting, on membership renewals.
- Fiona G would check with the bank and confirm with David B account access permissions. Currently Graham (bar) was only staff on payroll (furloughed), but this would increase when ferry and safety boat drivers return.
- The accounts had now been signed off by the auditors, delayed by sickness of accountant. Fiona would check item on depreciation, which was incomplete at time of AGM.
- Several important licencing documents, TV, broadcasting etc. needed safekeeping and, in the interim, should be uploaded to CCSC Google Group accounts.
- A small sum of money (£300) had been recovered through Gift Aid, and an online expenses form was ready to be uploaded for use on the Club website. John Pymm would be able to assist.
- A monthly P&L finance report generated using Quickbook would be helpful for future GC Meetings.
- Fiona was thanked by David and Andy, and committee for taking on this challenging and vital role.

8 Hon Secretary Report

- No update regarding the new Moorings Area Lease currently being prepared by Crown Estate, but Colin M would forward Fiona, the new agreed rates to ensure the club payments were on track.
- Colin M had sent out 41 club Christmas cards.

9 Operations Group Report

- Clive Fowler, the new Moorings Officer has joined the Ops Group which has now taken on responsibility for Grafter and Celtic Lady. This will help provide more support for maintenance.
- Colin M organised at short notice volunteers to help with work boats last Saturday and was pleased to note good progress on Celtic Lady. Volunteers would be available also this Saturday for boat painting and tidying moorings in the boat park if required.

- Colin M has prepared a Winter Work Activities Schedule for 'Grounds' work but required input regarding resources for tasks by other groups, eg clubhouse, garden , boats, moorings etc. Colin has liaised with Nick Browning regarding car park, and seawall repairs needed for next year.
- Other more strategic tasks included relocation of Jetty gate and pier widening were under review.

10 Moorings Report

- Handover continued with Dick Moore and Clive F had recovered the Grafter workbook to check details for member billing with Fiona G. In future better record keeping would be encouraged.
- It remained imperative to get at least Celtic Lady in the water soonest to resume mooring checks.
- Good moorings support was being provided by Clive's team.

11 Members Representative's comments

- No further comments.

12 Social Committee Report

- No further update

13 Order of Business

13.1 2020 Fee Changes

- Portland Harbour fees not released yet but being chased.
- Steve Green is working on review of club dinghy hire rates, currently £10 per half day or evening. Money is collected through payment book in galley. £89 this year, £30 last year.
- It was agreed to round to nearest pound dinghy fees to ease administration.
- Hire of Celtic Lady at £40 for winterising was considered expensive and would be reviewed.
- Club boats were currently berthed at the Academy FOC, but this would not necessarily be the case for next year. It worked while Academy also made use of boats but could be challenged by Marina.
- Concern was raised about the misuse of the early fee payment discount of £10. It did encourage prompt payment and any misuse, which applied to only a few members, was difficult to police.

13.2 Officers

- David B tabled a spreadsheet of most club officials for review before he distributed it to members for confirmation and publication in handbook. Some corrections were noted including Colin M as Grounds Manager and Dianne F as Safeguarding Officer. Names to be removed included Martin Davies and Joel Clompus. Colin M would email David Lift Team names. CCSC Google Groups had been updated in accordance with spreadsheet.
- It was suggested that MKM be added to list of suppliers since CCSC already had an account through Neil Stroud.

14 AOB

- Dianne F was reviewing existing Club policy on safeguarding.
- Ian G advised that a list of Grafter Drivers was in hand.
- Fiona G requested mail forwarded should be scanned and emailed to avoid excess postage costs.

15 Date of Next Meetings

- Tuesday 2nd January 2021 at 19:30 via Zoom. Apologies from David B, Andy A to chair.

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