

Minute of committee meeting of the Chantry Model Boat Club held at the Lake – Bluewater on Sunday 4th
August 2019

The meeting was opened at 10.30 a.m. with the Chairman Shane Jackson in the chair.

Also present were: Mark Money
Mike Young (Treasurer)
Ron Ferris (Secretary)
Rex Odell
John Lodder
Alan Bathurst
Fred Darby (Observer)

Apologies: Apologies were received from Brian Barber and Dave Best

Reference was made of the minutes of the meeting held on 7th July 2019

Matters arising

1. Rex Odell had now over-written the jetty warning sign and made it more suitable for purpose.

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2. The Chairman noted that the clubs "Oiler" vessel was now exhibiting considerable wear and tear and that there were holes showing in the bow and stern section. It was noted that the vessel had not been constructed from marine plywood which had accelerated the damage. The committee were of the opinion that a repair would not be economically viable and that the 'Oiler' should therefore be scrapped. It was agreed that all salvageable items be removed from the vessel and that they be put on e-bay to generate funds for use on a new project.
3. The secretary referred to the club's trolleys - several of which had gone missing. A number of club members seem to know where they are and who has them. These trolleys cost in the region of £60 each and are listed on the club's account. The committee would be grateful if they could be returned forthwith. The Chairman is to speak to the members(s) concerned. Members are reminded that there is a register for them to complete should they wish to borrow club equipment and that the borrowing of any item(s) is conditional upon the acceptance of the committee.
4. The committee agreed that we should go ahead with the hire of a van to transport the various club items required at the Southern Model Air Show which is to be held at Headcorn on 7th and 8th September 2019. It is anticipated that the cost of hire would be in the order of £80/£90. Among the items required to be transported are 3 Gazebos and 6 tables. Brian Barber has volunteered to organise the van hire assisted by Mike Young. Members who are exhibiting at the event are reminded that they should add their names to a list in the club hut in order to receive an entry pass.
5. There would appear to be confusion over who should be key holders to the various buildings under our control. The committee agreed that keys should be held by the following committee members:
For the 'Lock Up'
Shane Jackson: Mike Young: Mark Money
For the 'Club Hut'
All members of the committee.

The Chairman suggested that Dan Eddy have keys to the club hut as he was often at the lake before any other club member and set up equipment for the day. The committee had no objection to this proposal.

It was noted that Fred Darby who was not officially a committee member, had passed over his set of keys to John Wilson who also was not a committee member. Fred is to ask John for the return of the keys and to pass them over to John (Ozzie) Lodder as soon as possible.

It was noted that all club keys should be passed over to the secretary by members coming off the committee at the A.G.M. This note should appear on the calling notice for the A.G.M.

6. Concerning the club Open Day it had been noted that several people from the general public had in passing taken advantage of the free food on offer. The predominant reason for this was thought to arise from the wording of the advert appearing in our facebook page. We should pay particular attention to the wording for next year's event.

It was also noted that a complaint had been circulating concerning the time at which the raffle had been held, the complaint being that it was held too early. This complaint was soundly rebuffed by the girls who were good enough to run the raffle. They pointed out that a myriad of our club members had disappeared 'up the cut' with their boats for a considerable time and that some of our visitors had already left the site and others were packing up for the day. The old adage of "you cannot please all the people all of the time" springs to mind. Suffice it to say we now know who the dissenters are.

- 7 The treasurer Mike Young was concerned that he had not received any receipts for the purchase of the first batch of 50 club caps and had not been handed the caps either. Sadly, it has been reported that there are 12 caps missing from the club hut. Reference was made of the V.D.U. system in the hut but unfortunately it has a recycling system. It was suggested that the committee investigate a motion sensor for the V.D.U.

Similarly, he was still waiting for receipts from Shane for the recent purchases he had made in connection with the Open Day. These receipts are obviously required when balancing the annual accounts.

- 8 Which brought the committee on to discuss the old chestnut of the club's 'tea leaves' i.e. those members who make use of the club's refreshment facilities and sneak out the of the hut without paying the requisite 50p. Again, it is quite well known who these 'tea leaves' are. Members are reminded that the money collected in the honour box pays for the purchase of tea; coffee; milk; sugar and biscuits and the surplus goes towards purchase of food etc., for the open day. At the last A.G.M. Mark Money volunteered to take control of the tea money ably assisted by his good lady and they have found that at the end of a days sailing the money in the honour box has no resemblance to the amount of tea, sugar and milk used. Indeed, there have been times when several un-opened packets of biscuits and cartons of milk have disappeared from their storage place. This practice must obviously stop now before the club formats sanctions against members found wanting of honesty. All members without exception are required to pay 50p for refreshments. John Lodder is to ask his good lady if she would kindly design and make a sign of instruction regarding purchase and payment of refreshments. Maureen is good at these things!

- 9 Shane Jackson, John Lodder and Mark Money are to make up a brief for Tug trials at the Tug Day which is to be held on 20th October 2019 including the laying out of buoys on the lake. Shane to advise the date for the 'night sail'.

The date for the next committee meeting was set for 1st September 2019 at 10.30 a.m.

There being nothing further brought forward for discussion the meeting closed at 11.55 am

Secretary Ron Ferris.
ChairmanShane Jackson.