

## **Royal Welsh Yacht Club**

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held online and, in the club,  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> of August 2021.

### **Members present:**

Chris Jones	(CJ)	Commodore
Tom Edge	(TE)	Vice Commodore
Natalia Gomez Escobar	(NGE)	Secretary
Jane Crowther	(JC)	Treasurer
Fiona Jones	(FJ)	Social Secretary
Kate Jones	(KJ)	Rowing Secretary
John Judge	(JJ)	Committee Member
Jan Edge	(JE)	Regalia
Dawn Smith	(DS)	Membership Secretary
Mark Rayment	(MR)	Committee Member
Elin Dillon	(ED)	Committee Member
Frank Smykowski	(FS)	Social Media Secretary
David Richardson	(DR)	Southern squadron
Sarah Roberts	(SR)	Committee member

### **Apologies for absence**

Bethan Jones

Liam Adams

Clive Haycock

Malcolm Jones

### **Approval of Minutes of meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> of July 2021**

Proposed: Fi Jones    Seconded: Dawn Smith

**Conflicts of Interest** None

### **Officers' Reports**

#### **Commodore**

CJ had a meeting with the Lord Lieutenant and protocol dictates that we should ask Prince Charles to be our patron. A letter has been written and sent and we are waiting for an answer.

### **Vice Commodore**

Possible trip to the Isle of Man for the bank holiday weekend.

Sailing committee would like to get more organized with dates and destinations to put in the handbook and website.

Sail past will be on the 11th of September. Monday bulletin will ask the membership who wants to be involved and details of their boats.

Neville Roberts will meet people at the barbican and Chris will be on the water. We'll think about whether it's a good idea to invite the lord lieutenant. If we get a good turn out from the Monday bulleting we will go ahead and invite him.

We need a new flag pole. Tom suggested to buy a new 12m one mounted on the barbican roof without a 1m plinth.

**Proposed: Tom Edge**

**Seconded: Kate Jones**

**Passed: on principal**

JJ mentioned that a quotation for a flag pole had been received.

**CJ and TE to follow up this quotation and report on comparison.**

CADW has finally replied. £13500 have been approved to start the next design stage of the project.

PDSC will be racing to Caernarfon and back on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>. They will be around the club from 12 to 5 pm.

### **Rear Commodore**

New boiler will be installed from Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of August onwards.

We need a working party to tidy up the roof.

Liam has placed a mooring for the rowing boat in the doc.

Thinking of involving Antur into rowing.

**Treasurer** see report

We have finally received money from the dentist.

Any expenses need to be in before the end of August. We also need stock take from regalia and the bar.

Jane had submitted a grant but we don't fit well into the criteria so it will be withdrawn.

**Membership Secretary** See report

New members (announced in the Monday bulletin for two consecutive weeks):

Lynda Sweeney, senior membership

Ceurwyn Humphrys, social membership

David and Linda Jones, senior and southern squadron

Viscount Christopher Wright, full membership

Alex Dee, social membership (re-joining)

**Proposed: Fi Jones**

**Seconded: Tom Edge**

**The motion was passed unanimously**

Membership for Mike Hopkins, special circumstances because he doesn't know anyone in the club that can put him forward. He's very keen to join us and fly the ensign while he sails around the UK for charity.

**Proposed: Dawn Smith**

**Seconded: Tom Edge**

**All in favour**

**DS will call him and have a chat to make sure he is the real deal.**

We will think about potential increase to membership fee for the next meeting.

We will also think about membership cards.

### **Sailing Secretary**

See Vice Commodore's report

### **Rowing Secretary**

Still busy rowing from Plas Menai.

Caledonian Yawl is ready to come to the doc next week.

List of rowers that have paid has been sent to WSRA.

Maybe we should include the £15 fee for WSRA into the membership, for discussion next meeting.

We need people with PB2 or lots of experience to ride the safety boat. We could have someone to check the competency of the person and decide whether they need extra training.

**ED will design a questionnaire to send in the Monday Bulletin to find out who is qualified (PB2, VHF etc).**

CJ has written an SOP for the safety boat which will be kept at the doc. The key will be in a locked box with a log book. Who ever uses it, it's responsible for the boat.

Need volunteers to run rowing taster sessions.

### **Southern squadron**

Badges very well received.

### **Social Secretary**

Trying to organize venue for the annual dinner.

Re-upholstery of chairs: £15 per chair, £20 for green chairs and £150 for green sofa. Total £1000.

From Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup> of August we don't need a mask in the club and we can approach the bar.

RAYC has given us 10 places for their dinner in Llandudno, £37 per head on the 13<sup>th</sup> of November.

Our AGM dinner is the 27<sup>th</sup> of November.

### **Social media**

Looking for the best domain names.

FS will send an email with details so we can decide what we prefer.

### **AOB**

We won't bother supporting project Argo.

CJ received a letter from Fred, who wants to return a lovely rowing cup back to the club.

We need to start thinking about the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations.

Should the club provide hand held VHF or should the users take their own?

How much was the total sum for the construction of the Caledonian yawl?

Dawn is helping Mark Pickering with finding articles for the year book.

MR to write an article on our Scottish sailing holidays.

### **Date of next meeting:**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of September 2021