

Royal Welsh Yacht Club

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held online Thursday the 24th of October 2022.

Members present:

Tom Edge	(TE)	Vice Commodore
Liam Adams	(LA)	Rear Commodore
Jan Edge	(JE)	Regalia
Malcolm Jones	(MJ)	Committee Member
Natalia Gomez Escobar	(NGE)	Secretary
Mark Rayment	(MR)	Committee Member
Jane Crowther	(JC)	Treasurer
Clive Haycock	(CH)	Committee Member
Dawn Smith	(DS)	Membership Secretary
Frank Smykowski	(FS)	Social Media Secretary
Sarah Roberts	(SR)	Rowing secretary
Keith Belfied	(KB)	Future Secretary

Apologies:

Chris Jones	(CJ)	Commodore
Fi Jones	(FJ)	Social secretary
David Richardson	(DR)	Southern Squadron
Bethan Jones	(BJ)	Sailing secretary

Approval of Minutes of meeting held on the 20th of October 2022

Proposed: Malcolm Jones Seconded: Sarah Roberts - Passed Unanimously

Matters arising

- Outdoor partnership – application done, and fee paid.
- Need a meeting with RYA about courses.
- Upholstery – MJ has a couple of contacts and TE has prepared a document with a couple of options.
- AGM notice has been issued.
- New AV system has been installed.
- Regatta meeting – **TE to put a document together.**
- **TE and Daniel Hanlon to think about how to deal with new members' applications if we have meetings every two months.**
- Westerly association lunch was very successful with three new members recruited.
- Still looking for someone to run Christmas party.
- Remembrance service went well but TE to have a chat with MJ about some issues with the service and the timing of the gun salute.
- JC has the information needed for the zoom meetings.

Declaration of conflict of interest: none.

Incorporation – nothing to report.

AGM under control. Just need to find trophies.

Succession - still need a social and rowing secretary.

Building project – CADW has asked for bank details which is a good sign.

Heritage Network Trust – visit went really well. They paid £150 and gave us a free membership for a year. TE has filled the application form and sent it back.

AV system updated and working.

Safety boat was used by Mike Craze without permission. He went out at night without navigation lights. Left the doc when the three red lights were on.
He has applied for membership, but he has not paid yet which means he is not a member yet.

TE and DS to write a letter to Mike.

We are going to keep monthly meetings with the choice of online or at the clubhouse.

Officers' Reports

Southern Squadron – none

Commodore – none

Vice commodore

John Summerfield going to RYA course so he can deliver shore base yacht master course.

We'll charge £40 to members that want to take it.

RYA club development meeting is schedule for February next year.

LA to circulate our development plan so that we can get RYA feedback.

We have applied for a council grant to cover 2nd day regatta.

Model sailing boat initiative – TE proposes to do a pilot next year to see if it's viable as a new section of the club.

Rear Commodore

Heritage Network Trust visit went very well. They have a lot of very good ideas about were to get money from. LA has added them in LinkedIn.

Waiting for a Plummer to come in for the boiler, gas safety and cistern in he gent's toilet.

We have a new vacuum cleaner.

LA to give all electric certificates to FS.

Cupboard has been cleaned.

Cleaner will start doing deep cleans.

JC looking into getting new wireless card reader.

Graeme will be away from 1st of March to 21st of May.

Membership sec

- **Total Number of Members:** 292 (after removal of resignations/deaths – see below)

Made up as follows:

- Full members – 79
- Senior members – 120
- Social members – 70
- Honorary members – 12
- Overseas members – 11

- **New Membership Applications**

To be voted in, in November

- David & Sarah Lee – full
- Iwan Rees-Jones – full
- Mari Llewelyn Morgan & John Morgan – full
- All voted in.

Voted in, awaiting payment

- Michael Craze – full member – membership may be revoked due to his poor actions

Voted in, paid and membership pack sent

- Hywel Trewyn – social member
- Steven & Johanna Hulme – full member

- Nia Owain Huws – social member
- Resignations
 - Helen DeVoy & Bob Pollard – no longer using club
 - David Dowinton – sold boat due to ill health
- Non-Payers
 - None
- Deaths
 - None
- Other
 - 30 monthly paying members - £250 outstanding as at 22 November (this amount should be in by end of December 2022)
 - TOTAL membership currently due - £21,315 (inc. monthly payers)
 - TOTAL membership fees paid - £21,020
 - TOTAL membership fees outstanding - £335
 - Membership fees donated - £230

Yearbook going well. They had too many stories so they will use some of them for quarterly bulletin.

MJ to send information about photo competition to DS.

Treasurer

Financial Position:

Business account	£1102.53
Subs account	£263.37
Investment account	£122,981.01
Petty Cash	£50.07
Total at Bank	£124,396.98

NOTES:

AV equipment has been paid for = £1,748.33

We are still holding around £5,000 in profit from the 175 events, including the profit from the rest of the events in 2022 – this needs to be shared with the RNLI.

Eric would be able to produce a “Big Cheque” for us if we wanted to make this into a photo opportunity with the local press?

Craning Out Supper profit = £68.52

Sadler Owners Lunch profit = 78.61

Bonfire Night Profit = 13.23

Westerly Owners AGM Profit = 128.28

Heritage Presentation Profit = 134.64

TOTAL PROFIT = £423.28

AGM Dinner Dance – I have been running the bookings for this event and there are now just 5 places (from 60) available.

Y Wall has been paid for the food (56 pax) = £ 1736.00

but not yet for the wine (Linda is still negotiating/deciding the number of bottles required)

DJ = £200 cash

TIP for Y Wall staff = £100 cash

Easy Fundraising has paid out us £109.56

I am endeavoring to upgrade the card reader in the Club to one that is not tied down to the windowsill – watch this space!

Rowing

There have been at least two outings every week on Tuesday evenings and 10 am Saturday/Sunday depending on weather. Instead of rowing to Trefor an extended picnic row happened. The yole has had several outings. Notable features on recent rows have been bioluminescence and seals.

Members attended a social evening at the Club – knotting featured! This topic to be explored again at our next social Club session.

Macsen has been mended by a professional boat builder at a cost of £200.00. Rowers have removed the barnacles and polished the hull. Elen will be turned over and worked on next.

Proposal: allow purchase of gelcoat reviver (Marine Ploytrol £31.75) to cover two of the Celtics out of the budget of £250 as agreed previously towards the repair of Macsen, All in favour.

At the request of Plas Menai our boats have been positioned within two spaces next to the container. Branwen is currently at ours prior to the taster session at PDSC in December.

Potential rowers: 4 have made contact via email – three have attended. Paul and Sally Dykins attended one taster session. Sian Williams has yet to attend. Hawys Williams has completed two taster sessions and sent in her application.

Next year's rowing programme has been sent for inclusion in the Year Book.

Coxes' responsibilities – sent for inclusion in RWYC Policy Documents and distributed to rowers and displayed in the container.

Joining Enquiry/Trial Row Questionnaire – This document is now included on our website and has resulted in enquiries. This document has been sent out to potential rowers to be completed before rowing.

Boat Maintenance

Outstanding issues:

Locate third safety tub – to be actioned

Hulls continually checked for damage

Elen to be completely cleaned of barnacles – to be actioned by working parties

Maintenance log – Any issues noted on the white board and forwarded to Bosun and members via messenger.

A request for electricity and jet washing facilities sent to Plas Menai. Have chased: awaiting response

New cover – no quote sought yet.

Insurers advised us that:

'The following exclusion would apply to any loss under the Marine Hull material damage section:

n) loss or damage to sails, protective covers, canopies and side screens split by the wind or blown away unless as a result of the Vessel stranding or being in contact with any external substance (including ice) other than water

or as a result of damage to spars to which sails are bent.

In addition, a £500 policy excess applies under the Marine hull section of the policy.

Boat Locations week commencing 21st Oct 2022 Plas Menai – 2 Celtics. 2 Yoles

Maes Helen Cottage – 1 Celtic

Doc Fictoria – Caledonian Yawl

Boat Locations during 2023

'Doc Fictoria Week' dates identified and will be included in the Yearbook

Upcoming events:

Row on the lake at Traws with Porthmadog

Dry land/Club session on Cox's Responsibilities and knots

May: Semaine Du Golfe – France

Castle to Castle and League Race: Date TBC

Date TBC trip to Cornwall to try out Gig rowing

Marketing

Harbour Trust signs. Sign has been sketched out yet to be created.

Sailing sec:

Safety boat course. Two members will be doing it in December and January.

Social sec:

Regatta dinner 2023 – maybe just before regattas start. We'll talk to Royal Anglesey early next year.

Social media:

We have a new rowing member that posts on social media. Good visibility for the club.

AOB

MJ might want to buy old AV system depending on the price.

BJ wants to add Chris N Jones to the WhatsApp group.

Neville Roberts is in hospital.

DS and TE to look at where do we stand regarding food hygiene certificates.

Need to think of a date for St David's dinner.

Date of next meeting:

Thursday January 12th, 2023, at 19:00 in the clubhouse