

Royal Welsh Yacht Club

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held online and, in the club, Thursday the 21st July 2022.

Members present:

Chris Jones	(CJ)	Commodore
Tom Edge	(TE)	Vice Commodore
Jan Edge	(JE)	Regalia
Bethan Jones	(BJ)	Sailing secretary
Fiona Jones	(FJ)	Social Secretary
Malcolm Jones	(MJ)	Committee Member
Jane Crowther	(JC)	Treasurer
Frank Smykowski	(FS)	Social Media Secretary
Clive Haycock	(CH)	Committee Member
Kate Jones	(KJ)	Committee Member
Nev Roberts	(NR)	Hon. President

Apologies for absence

David Richardson	(DR)	Southern squadron
Dawn Smith	(DS)	Membership Secretary
Sarah Roberts	(SR)	Rowing secretary
Natalia Gomez Escobar	(NGE)	Secretary
Mark Rayment	(MR)	Committee Member
Liam Adams	(LA)	Rear Commodore

Absent

Elin Dillon	(ED)	Committee Member
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Approval of Minutes of meeting held on the 19th of May 2022

Proposed: Fi Jones Seconded: Malcolm Jones- Passed Unanimously

Conflicts of Interest None

Matters arising None

Officers' Reports

Commodore

An extensive discussion was held on the merits or otherwise of Incorporation. It was recognised that the related timescale was critical if prospective nominees for the November AGM were to be clear about the nature of the management system to which they would be subject.

Therefore it was agreed, that following a vote of the Management Committee, if it was agreed to recommend Incorporation to the membership then the process of providing background information, allowing time for debate, organising an online/postal vote and finally an EGM to ratify the ensuing decision should be initiated at the earliest opportunity.

Outline proposed schedule - discussed in principle at the meeting but added with here suggested dates to move things along.

- the draft email introducing the Proposal plus additional background information to be provided as Appendices run past the Committee and amendments made by July 30th
- The Proposal plus attached appendices providing additional background information to go out as the August 1st Weekly Bulletin
- Suggest Monday August 15th for an open meeting to debate the issue and answer questions (maybe Mary could be asked to attend as a local expert) plus EGM announced for Saturday September 17th 1400. A further session to be arranged if required.
- Ballot to go live online and by post in the August 29th Weekly Bulletin.
- September 17th EGM in the Club plus on Zoom.

A Ballot of Committee members on the following Proposal then took place.

“ The Management Committee of the Royal Welsh Yacht Club recommend to the members entitled to vote that the status of Club be changed from that of an Unincorporated Association to a Not for Profit Company Limited by Guarantee.” If approved this change to be completed by September 1st 2023.

Result of the vote: 14 - yes, 1 - no, 1 - absent

Tom Edge VC - yes Liam Adams RC - yes Natalia Gomez Escobar Sec. - yes
Jane Crowther Treasurer - yes Fi Jones Soc. Sec - yes Sarah Roberts Rowing Sec- yes
Bethan Majski Sailing Sec - yes Jan Edge Regalia- yes Frank Smykowski Marketing - yes
Malcolm Jones - no Clive Haycock - yes Kate Jones - yes. David Richardson S.
Squad - yes Mark ~Rayment - yes Dawn Smith Mem. Sec - yes Elin Dillon - absent
The proposal was carried.

PDSC celebrated their 75th Anniversary on the 9th and 10th of July, several RWYC members were present at this memorable event.

Bikes Antwr used the Club on the 15th of July from 3 to 5 for their official opening. We provided tea and coffee. It was a useful networking meeting ie Antur Waenfawr Chairman Rhys Evans, Mayor of Caernarfon Maria Sarnacki, Councillors Cei Larson and Ieuan Thomas.

Vice Commodore

On going discussions with Ian Halfpenny CADW. Archeological supervision and structural engineer needed for investigative trenches to be dug in the terrace even though this has been done in the recent past.

Maybe it is time to put the plans to the membership and to find someone else that can help Tom to supervise the project.

Once the project starts, contracts will have to be signed as well as documents with Bike Antwr (we will be sharing the lift) and **the flag officers might not feel comfortable with this unless we are incorporated.**

Request received from Heritage Trust Network for an informative visit to the Club. Liam to liaise re historical presentation. Generally a useful contact to foster in the hope that they might add weight to nay grant applications.

Rear Commodore

The galley need a deep clean.

We might look into charging visitors more at the bar.

We think the best way forwards is to have then refurbished at Cybin - decision from them still required.

We have booked the painter to give the railings on the roof a second coat

Budget 2023, we should run it from January to December so it coincides with the new management committee.

Southern squadron

Nothing to report.

Regalia

Nothing to report.

Social media

Nothing to report

Treasurer

Management Committee – 21 July 2022

Financial Position:

Business account	£1,519.72
Subs account	£123.13
Investment account	£120,100.08
Petty Cash	£ 52.94

Total at Bank

£121,795.87

NOTES:

Since the last meeting, the only “significant” outgoings have been:-

£1450 = decorator and materials

£732 = signs

£210 = gun cartridges for regatta

£132 = motion picture licence

£434 = tankards for regatta

£297 = music licence

Income:

Beacon = £333.33 is invoiced to Caernarfon Royal Town Council is now paid

LaLa = profit of £560 was made

We are holding £5300 in ticket sales for the 175 dinner and £755 for raffle ticket sales

Membership Secretary

New Membership Applications

To be voted in, in July en bloc.

Proposed: FJ, Seconded: CH, All in favour

- Michael Bonsall & Dawn Rogers – senior member
- Robin & Julie Evans – social member
- Ernest Paul Brooks & Renata Curi Miranda – senior member
- Ian Deakin – senior member
- Alwyn & Ffion Jones – social member
- Neil & Julia Kefford – senior member
- Dylan Roberts & Lowri Wynn – social member
- Robert & Lynda Shields – senior member
- James Hadfield-Hyde – senior member
- Ifor Williams – social member

DS to check that our social membership still under 30%.

Rowing Secretary

Rowing sessions still effected by Covid and other medical issues but hopefully improving.

One boat entered for the July 30th Competitive cruise. Mike Hamer to lay the turning mark from the Whaley boat.

Thanks to Kate for getting Mary Griffiths Clarke on board to advise on Incorporation.

Kate to provide more info on the Community Arts Celebration to take place on the beach at Porth Dinllaen Sept 3rd. Cruisers to be invited.

Plas Menai not re opening for rowing until autumn.

LA Whaley boat needs servicing.

30th July 10.30. Yachts and Celtics to the bridge and back.

Start line is RWYC

Rowing participants signed up: Brian, Sarah, David, Raine, Gill, Marion in a Celtic.

Sailing participants : Chris has outlined the event and put a call out to sailing members which will be also sent out to rowers via email.

Menai Strait Regatta fortnight Events - week one

2nd August Time and location TBC shortly. Watersports Sail/Row A fun event as part of our 175th celebration. Elin Dillon is in discussion with committee members to firm up location and will confirm details soon.

Participants signed up: Sarah, Brian, Gill, David, Marion

4th August 14.30

RWYC

Sprint races, short and sharp each boat timed outside the club. Our three boats plus others available for rowers to race in. This means there's no need for clubs to bring their boats. Certificates awarded in the prize giving at the Club.

Participants signed up: Gill, Sarah or Brian, Marion

New events suggested:

August 5th 15.00 Caernarfon Sailing Club. Across to Anglesey around buoys on both ways.

Participants signed up: Marion

August 6th 13.00 Portdinorwig Sailing Club. Course set on day either within the moorings towards the bridge and back or short sprint races. Prize giving venue TBC.

(Elin is firming up the details of above and also some events for the second week of Regatta)

Other events:

13/08 Madog Dash

Call gone out. 1 signed up

21/08 Fort Belan row

Call gone out. 5 signed up. Ynys Mon attending too.

10/09 Great River Race

12 signed up plus supporters. 2 boats registered and paid for. Organised by Angie Laing.

Social secretary

150+ people have booked for Gala dinner so far so we should break even at least.

Raffle tickets are being sold.

Quiz booked for August 5th requires a decision on the night depending on the needs of the assembled crowd.

Sailing Secretary

Regattas: safety flags have been checked. .

The dry run to make sure everything is in order was useful.

Rowers need to plan their rowing events and prizes for RWYC Regatta Aug 4th

Frank offered to repair the table on the roof ready for the Regatta.

Tim Scott Wilson to collate all Regatta results.

AOB none

Date of next meeting:

Thursday August 25th 2022