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**MINUTES OF THE CATTEWATER CRUISING CLUB
OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS MEETING
HELD ON THURSDAY 15TH JANUARY 2015
AT THE BRIDGE, YACHT HAVEN, PLYMOUTH**

Present:

Celia Coleman	- Commodore
Bill Hill	- Vice Commodore
Nigel Vaughan- Smith	- Rear Commodore Sail
Colin Ayres	- Honorary Secretary
Roger Coleman	- Honorary Treasurer
Pip Shell	- Membership Secretary
Lynne Shell	- Social Secretary
Alan Casey	- Club Webmaster
Bev Whitmill	- Committee Member
Kev Whitmill	- Committee Member

1. Apologies for Absence:

None

2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting Held on 4th October 2014.

The Minutes of the Officers & Committee Members Meeting held on 4th October 2014 were passed as a true record. Proposed by Kevin Whitmill and seconded by Roger Coleman

3. Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes.

3.1 Prize Giving Dinner (Para 3.1 of the previous minutes refers).

Lynne Shell reported that 31 members would be attending and handed the list of names together with cheques and details of payments received by bank transfer to the Hon Treasurer. A deposit of £250.00 had already been paid and it was agreed that the Hon Treasurer would write a cheque for the balance which Lynne would pay to Kitley House within the next few days.

A discussion followed about the draw, the proceeds of which, it was agreed would go to the RNLI. Members were encouraged to provide draw prizes but it was also agreed that a special raffle would take place towards the end of the evening. Prizes were discussed for the raffle and it was proposed by The Commodore and seconded by Nigel Vaughan-Smith that a first prize of £50.00 and a second prize of a £25.00 voucher, to be spent at Force Four Chandlery, should be provided from club funds - the Committee were in agreement and Alan Casey volunteered to approach Force Four to see if they would donate towards the £25.00 voucher. Lynne volunteered to approach Brittany Ferries to ask if they were prepared to donate a prize.

Action: Lynne to approach Brittany Ferries and Alan to procure a Force Four voucher

Decision: The club will provide £75.00 towards the raffle prizes

3.2 Management of the future interface with the PPSA (Para3.5 of the previous minutes refers)

The Commodore reported that she had continued to monitor the PPSA web site and the only item of interest was their 2015 racing programme. As with their past minutes, this information was freely available to anyone accessing the PPSA website and not just to PPSA members. After much discussion of the pros and cons of retaining affiliation to the PPSA, it was felt that the PPSA did not provide value for money. It was therefore agreed to put the issue of continued membership to Members at the AGM

Decision: It was agreed that the Honorary Secretary was to include "Membership of the PPSA" as an agenda item for the next AGM and that the Honorary Treasurer was to withhold payment of the 2015 PPSA membership fees pending the decision of the AGM

3.3 Venue for the 2015 A G M and social (Para 5 of the previous minutes refers)

Lynne confirmed that she had provisionally booked the Mount Batten Centre for the meeting and the social afterwards but had not had a chance to check out the facilities so it was agreed that the Commodore would make a visit to ensure that the room sizes were adequate and if so would confirm the booking.

Action: The Commodore to confirm or otherwise the booking at the Mount Batten Centre

4 Dates and venue for future Officers and Committee Members meetings.

The Commodore together with the Hon. Treasurer had recently visited the Boringdon Arms and she was able to report that the venue would be available for future meetings so it was agreed that future Officers and Committee Members meetings would be held at that venue on a Thursday night.

5 Agenda for the 2015 A G M and election of Officers and Committee Members

The agenda for the A G M was agreed and will be issued early in February.

The Commodore reported that all Officers and Committee Members had expressed their willingness to stand again and she thanked everyone for their efforts over the past year; she pointed out that when the Calling Notice for the A G M is sent out to all Club Members they will be invited to stand for any of the posts within the Club

Action: After formal approval by the Commodore the notification of the 2015 AGM is to be issued on 7th February 2015

6 Reports from Officers and Committee members.

Rear Commodore Sail's Report.

Nigel reported that the 2015 Cruising Programme had been issued last November and that it was displayed on the Club website. He had also distributed two "Where Are We?" competitions and had two more ready for issue during the next two months; they too could be found on the Club website. Finally, he stated that he had ten entries, and was expecting a further entry, for the Annual Photographic Competition to be held on the night of the Prize Giving Dinner

Honorary Treasurer's Report.

A copy of the treasurer's report dated 15th January 2015 is attached.

Membership Secretary's Report.

Pip reported that the club membership had risen to 62

Club Webmaster' Report.

The Commodore welcomed Alan Casey as the new Club Webmaster and prior to his report wished to record a vote of thanks from the Club to Chris Greenwood for all his help to the Cattewater Cruising Club which had included setting up and running the CCC website.

Alan reported that he now had full administration control of the Club website but that it was still hosted by Tim Greenwood with whom he might need to consult in the future and after a general discussion he confirmed that he would do what was necessary to enable more photographs of club members' boats to be added to the site

7 Update Diary of Future Events

Saturday 31 st January	Prize Giving Dinner at Kitley House
Saturday 21 st March	A G M at the Mount Batten Centre
Thursday 23 rd April	Officers and Committee Members meeting at The Boringdon Arms

8 Any other business

Roger reported that the Winter Walks would start again in February and that he would be looking into the possibility of arranging a visit to the Devonport Naval Heritage Centre.

Trophies:

Rear Commodore Sail explained that he had seriously underestimated the cost of having the trophies engraved, due to the Cattewater Cup requiring a brass plaque with the names of all previous winners. The engraving had cost £55.30, rather than up to £35.00 as approved under item 6 of the previous minutes.

Decision: It was agreed to reimburse Nigel the full cost of £55.30 for engraving the Club Trophies from Club funds

Nigel then proceeded to present Celia, as Commodore, with a new trophy, the Happy Snapper Trophy, for award to the winner of the Annual CCC Photographic Competition. Celia, on behalf of all Club Members, thanked Nigel for donating the new trophy to the club.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 21.00

Colin Ayres
Honorary Secretary
Cattewater Cruising Club