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**MINUTES OF THE CATTEWATER CRUISING CLUB**  
**COMMITTEE MEMBERS MEETING**  
**HELD ON THURSDAY 6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2016**  
**AT THE BORINGDON ARMS, TURNCHAPEL, PLYMOUTH.**

**Present:**

Nigel Vaughan-Smith	- Commodore
Val Ayres	- Vice Commodore
Alan Eves	- Rear Commodore Sail
Colin Ayres	- Honorary Secretary
Roger Coleman	- Honorary Treasurer
Pip Shell	- Membership Secretary
Lynne Shell	- Social Secretary
Bev Whitmill	- Committee Member
Kev Whitmill	- Committee Member
Celia Coleman	- Committee Member
Margaret Eves	- Committee Member

**1. Apologies for Absence:**

An apology had been received from Alan Casey.

**2. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016.**

The Minutes of the Officers and Committee Members Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were passed as a true record.

Proposed by Celia Coleman and seconded by Val Ayres.

**3 Matters arising from the Previous Minutes.**

3.1 Club webmaster to publish details of items required, or for sale, on the Notices section of the Club website. (Item 3.5 of the previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed. Any member wishing to advertise an item for sale should contact the Webmaster, Alan Casey via the following email address [admin@cattewatercruisingclub.org.uk](mailto:admin@cattewatercruisingclub.org.uk)

**Item closed.**

3.2 The Membership forms and the Club website to be amended to reflect the new charges for the Club burgees. (Item 4 of the previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed.

**Item closed.**

3.3 Commodore to inform members of the details of the 2016 – 2017 Photographic Competition (Item 5 of the previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed.

**Item closed.**

3.4 Social Secretary to investigate means of providing better lighting for the display of photographic entries at the Prize Giving Party. (Item 5 of the previous minutes refers).

Lynne confirmed that she had contacted the management at Kitley House and that the lighting will be improved by the provision of extra lighting and / or relocating the display within the party room.

**Item closed.**

3.5 .Honorary Secretary to write to the PPSA informing them of the Club's response to the points raised regarding cruising at the PPSA committee meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2016. (Item 6 of the previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed.

**Item closed.**

3.6 Social Secretary to confirm the bookings for the Laying Up Supper and the Prize Giving Supper. (Item 10 of the previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed.

**Item closed.**

3.7 Rear Commodore Sail to inform members of the Family Floating Picnic and the Beach BBQ planned for July and August 2016. (Item 12 of previous minutes refers).

This action had been completed.

**Item closed.**

#### **4 Club Cruising Flag.**

Nigel asked the Committee for their views on introducing a Club cruising flag; this flag would be an additional one and would not take the place of either the burgees or the Officers' flags. The flag would be available, as priced, to all members and would be to both advertise the Club and encourage members to be proud of cruising together in pairs or as part of a larger fleet and Nigel stated that if it was of the correct design a CCC cruising flag could help publicise the Club and attract new members. A discussion followed and the decision was reached that at present there was no need for a separate cruising flag.

**Decision:** No need at present for a separate CCC cruising flag

#### **5 Fitting Out Supper.**

Nigel suggested that the Committee should consider introducing a Fitting Out Supper as an annual event. He pointed out that the Laying Up Supper and the Prize Giving Party were popular out of season social events, and a Fitting Out Supper in the Spring would fit in well.

The Committee were all in favour of introducing the new event in late April or early May each year.

Lynne agreed to investigate possible venues including The Bridge at Yacht Haven and St Elizabeths at Plympton St Maurice

**Action:** Lynne to look into possible venues and available dates for a Fitting Out Supper in late April or early May 2017.

## **6. Trophies and prizes.**

Nigel confirmed that he was happy to organise the engraving of the 6 Club trophies and the purchase and engraving of the 12 tumblers for presentation at the Prize Giving Party. He reported that he had obtained a quotation to cover the engraving and purchase cost and requested that he should be given approval to spend up to £270. The amount included against this cost in the budget for the current year was £300.

It was proposed by Roger and seconded by Pip that Nigel should be given approval to spend up to £270 on trophies and prizes.

The committee was in unanimous agreement.

**Decision:** Nigel authorised to spend up to £270 to purchase 12 engraved glass tumblers and to have the 6 Club trophies engraved with the names of this year's winners

## **7 PPSA.**

Nigel reported that during the summer, representatives of CCC had been invited, by the PPSA, to attend a Plymouth City Council presentation on the future development of the Plymouth waterfront, and in early September, on the Club's behalf, he and Alan Eves had attended. He reported that at the presentation PCC had asked those attending for feed back and ideas relating to the sailing and watersports community.

Since the meeting, PCC had issued a draft document, which the Club had received via the PPSA, and Alan reported that, on the Club's behalf, he will be attending a further meeting on 12.10.16 and would generally monitor ongoing activities on this topic.

## **8 Rear Commodore Sail's Report.**

Alan reported that this season' cruising programme had begun on 16<sup>th</sup> April.

12 cruises had been arranged together with 3 additional events; of these:

5 cruises had been cancelled due to bad weather;

3 cruises has gone ahead but been shortened due to bad weather;

4 cruises had been completed as planned;

The Cawsands picnic; the Jennycliff BBQ and the visit to Fowey regatta had been cancelled due to bad weather.

There was a total of 85 entries for the cruises; 50 of these actually taking part in cruises which went ahead. 4 of the entries were from Hooe Point Sailing Club.

Cruise 11, which had to be cancelled due to bad weather, was a combined cruise with Plymouth Yacht Haven and had been organised as part of the Active Marina programme.

The pre-cruise BBQs had been poorly attended.

6 Cruise Reports had been submitted.

Alan reported that he had enjoyed the role of Rear Commodore Sail and thanked every one for their support. The cruises which went ahead had gone well. His view was that the shorter cruises had turned out to be the most popular and he would bear that in mind when drawing up next seasons programme.

Nigel thanked Alan on behalf of the Club for the sterling job he had done in the role of RCS.

## **9 Honorary Treasurer's Report**

Roger reported that prior to the meeting he had e mailed to the Committee Members: copies of his Treasurer's Report and the Income and Expenditure Account, which detailed the Budget set for 2016 –2017 and the costs and income to date.

He pointed out that, due to the unforeseen cost of Insurance, the Income and Expenditure Account for this current year would go into deficit by an estimated amount of £200, which was less than previously predicted due to the healthy increase in membership

Although a £50 cash prize for the draw had been included in the budget, it was decided that it was an inappropriate use of Club funds.

## **10 Membership Secretary's Report .**

Pip reported that since the last Committee meeting the membership had risen to 76; an increase of 6 from last year.

He had available an up to date list of member's details

## **11 Social Secretary's Report.**

Lynne reported that she had e mailed to members the details of the 2016 Laying Up Supper.

She confirmed that extra lighting will be provided for the Photographic Competition at the Prize Giving Party and that she will look into venues for the 2017 Fitting Out Supper.

The dress code for the Laying Up Supper was confirmed as "smart casual" and for the Prize Giving Party was confirmed as "posh frocks and DJs"

Margaret had volunteered to help with the draw at the Prize Giving Party and a reminder was issued regarding the need for prizes to be donated for that event.

## **12. Webmaster's Report**

In Alan's absence Nigel reported that the Website was up and running ok.

## **13 Update Diary of Future Events.**

Saturday November 12<sup>th</sup> 2016  
Thursday January 12<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup> 2017  
Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup> 2017

Laying Up Supper.  
Committee Members Meeting.  
Prize Giving Party.  
AGM

**Action:** Lynne to check if the Mount Batten Centre is available as the venue for the 2017 AGM and supper.

## **14 Any other business**

14.1 Alan stated that he would be arranging a series of winter walks and would be informing members of the details in due course.

14.2 Nigel referred to the recent e mail he had circulated from Mount Batten Boathouse, in which they had offered to speak to the Club on various subjects relating to boat ownership. From the responses to his e mail, he noted a wish to take advantage of the offer. It was agreed by the Committee that the presentations should be combined with the monthly Thursday night socials and that the subjects should be outboard and diesel engine maintenance and man overboard systems.

**Action:** Nigel to contact Mount Batten Boathouse and try to arrange a presentation for 3.11.16

14.3 Nigel confirmed that he had circulated to members the details of the forthcoming RYA regional conference.

14.4 Pip stated that he held 7 burgees and 3 officer's flags; Roger held 1 burgee, so it was agreed that there was no need to order any more at present.

14.5 It was pointed out that quite a large proportion of the membership still take no part in Club activities and it was agreed that these members should be contacted to find out their views and to see if there are ways of getting more members to join in.

**Action:** Val to e mail those members who do not take part in any Club activities, asking their views on the Club programme and details of any extra events they might wish to be included. .

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 8: 40 pm.

Colin Ayres,  
Honorary Secretary,  
Cattewater Cruising Club.

Attachments:

Treasurer's Report 30th September 2016

Income and Expenditure Account up to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2016

