

# **Clwb Cychod Cemaes – Charles Henry Ashley – Cemaes Boat Club**

## **Minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 in The Vigour**

### **Present:**

Richard Downs (RD)  
Mike Whitlam (MW)  
Steve Bray (SB)  
Sian Jones (SJ)

### **Apologies:**

Marilyn Downs (MD)  
Norman Mason (NM)  
Simon Drakley (SD)  
Janet Whitlam (JW)  
Alun Pari Hughes (APH)

### **Minutes of the Previous Meeting 16.4.19**

The minutes were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting.  
Proposed: Richard Downs  
Seconded: Steve Bray

### **Matters Arising**

All matters arising would be dealt with through the agenda.

### **Chairman's Welcome**

Richard expressed thanks to those who were present, but was disappointed that there was such a low attendance as no decisions could be made effectively.

Richard then went on to report that according to the previous minutes APH was due to talk to Norman about the trip to Conwy. However, Norman is now undergoing treatment and is not in a position to be able to assist with this. The Club will need to review this situation and it will be discussed further in projected sailing on the agenda.

### **Treasurer's Report (retrospective via MD)**

Following the meeting, Simon has sent a full set of accounts to Marilyn reporting a balance on 30.5.19 of £3,474.57.

The insurance has been paid since the last meeting.

Marilyn had been informed that the Boat Club will receive the Shell Grant of £350.

However, this has still not reached the bank account and she has been in touch with Shell and Benevity (the issuer of the grant) to complain about the length of time this has taken.

### **Boatswain's Report**

In the absence of Norman it was reported that the boat is in excellent condition.

Steve Bray had checked CHA and also bailed out the tender.

A daily inspection will be required by any member who can spare the time. (**Action All**)

### **Secretary's Report**

Deferred due to absence of Secretary.

## Membership Secretary's Report

Sian pointed out that she has £280 subscription money to pass over to Simon next time she sees him, a mixture of cheques and cash.

Sian will need to cross-reference any BACs transfers with Simon against her Membership list in order to get an accurate picture of the members and friends who have paid so far. **(Action SJ/SD)**

Sian noted that a number of regular members had not yet paid their subscriptions for this year and asked that they should do this as soon as possible.

## Projected Sailing Trips:

- **Conwy Trip – 19<sup>th</sup>/20<sup>th</sup> July - Lifeboat Day**

As stated, due to Norman's illness, this has not been discussed with Alun. We could be struggling due to lack of core crew who can take part. However, it was seen as important for the Boat Club's profile that CHA undertook this trip and Mike Whitlam and Steve Bray offered to coordinate and speak to APH. It was suggested that the RNLI may want to get involved with the rowing/crewing. **(Action MW/SB/APH)**

- **Holyhead**

Dates for this had been looked at by Norman and there are two possible opportunities for CHA to sail/row on the Saturday, stay overnight and return on the Sunday on each occasion.

**Aug 17/18**

**Aug 31 / Sept 1**

Marilyn will put the information onto the website sailing list. **(Action MD)**

Mike T offered to liaise with Holyhead RNLI about linking activities with them. **(Action MT)**

## Website / Facebook update

Website: All previous queries had been actioned from the last meeting. The following points were raised for further action:

- The cut-off date for booking was one week in advance and had caused a problem when signing up. (*As this issue had cropped up between meetings, this has now been altered and cut off is 9.30am on the day of sailing.*)
- An issue was raised about seeing the names of people who were signing up for the sailing dates regarding security. Could this only be made available once members had logged onto the site? **(Action MD)**
- A query was raised about the links between the website and Facebook and vice versa that could mean that those not on Facebook may not be able to see the information on the website. Marilyn will respond at the next meeting. **(Action MD)**
- We need a way of showing that sailings are cancelled at the last minute via the website.
- Members need to be reminded that they must take themselves off the sailing list if they are no longer able to attend.
- Date of birth element in the Join Us Membership form is clumsy and takes too long to scroll back the years.
- A question was raised whether emails could be sent out to people direct if sailing is cancelled.

## **Cemaes CIC**

Steve Bray and Mike Whitlam gave a verbal report on the last Cemaes CIC meeting. The project is still waiting for the final stages of finance to be agreed, but time is getting shorter.

### **Social Events:**

- **Quiz Night – Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>**

This is in hand and has been widely publicised. Richard has sorted out all the questions and Marilyn is organising the food. A request for raffle prizes has been issued. (**Action MD/RD**)

- **Beach Party – Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>** (High tide is at 19.20)

Marilyn is liaising with the Vintage Car Rally organiser David Meacher. Further volunteers will be required nearer the date.

- **Cemaes Carnival – Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> August**

Volunteers are needed to help on this event as Marilyn and Richard may not be able to take part as they have visitors staying with them.

It was discussed and apart from the float it would be desirable for the Boat Club to have a presence with a stall and possibly one of the Beach Party games.

The Coffin Dodgers are playing in the Marquee on the previous evening and everyone will be invited to bring along a picnic/drinks and join in. There will be an entrance charge (to be decided) – children free.

## **AOB**

### **Support boat**

Elfed has purchased a RIB (Rigid Inflatable Boat) and offered for it to be used by the Boat Club. However, insurance would be necessary.

### **Storage offer**

Steve Bray reported that the Firs – Wylfa – has been offered on a 5 years lease for a peppercorn rent. Horizon would then be linked with the Boat Club and become obligated if the Firs is then no longer available. This would help with possible future funding as we would be fast-tracked and be an” official partner”.

At the meeting, it was agreed that given the verbal agreement that already exists with Dafydd Owen, that the CHA should be kept at Peibron Farm for maintenance over 2019/2020. Peibron Farm has water and electricity, which is not available at The Firs and Dafydd Owen also assists significantly with launch and retrieval. Richard was requested to confirm this arrangement with Dafydd Owen. (**Action RD**)

Steve Bray offered to contact Derek Owen and ask if the Firs would be available to the Boat Club anyway. (**Action SB**)

Meeting closed at 8.45pm.

### **Next Committee Meetings in The Vigour:**

**Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm**

**Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> July 7.30pm**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS MEETING WAS NOT QUORATE AND DECISIONS ARE THEREFORE ADVISORY.**

MD: 11/6/19