

Clwb Cychod Cemaes – Charles Henry Ashley – Cemaes Boat Club

Minutes of the meeting held on 27th June, 2019 in The Vigour

Present:

Richard Downs (RD)
Marilyn Downs (MD)
Mike Whitlam (MW)
Janet Whitlam (JW)
Steve Bray (SB)
Ian Smith (IS)
Piers Beeland (PB)

Apologies:

Mike Thompson (MT)
Norman Mason (NM)
Bill Yates (BY)
Jon Yates (JY)
Sian Jones (SJ)
Simon Drakley (SD)
Alun Pari Hughes (APH)
John Harrison (JH)

Minutes of the Previous Meeting 4.6.19

The minutes were agreed to be an accurate record of the meeting.

Proposed: Steve Bray

Seconded: Mike Whitlam

Matters Arising

At the last meeting, it was agreed that the Boat Club should stay with the verbal agreement for the storage of CHA and maintenance programme at Peibron Farm for 2019-2020.

At a subsequent Cemaes CIC meeting it had been suggested that we should still request storage at The Firs because it may be that Peibron Farm may no longer be available in the future and it would give us an additional option.

Steve has followed this up with Derek and Horizon and there will be a meeting on Monday, 1st July to arrange this lease and set up the contract, which will cost £1 for 5 years.

Only two people will be allowed keys, Derek and Steve, to restrict access and maintain safety and security. This will give the Boat Club the opportunity to look at setting up appropriate electricity and water facilities on this site. It was also suggested that we could store the tender there. It would be very useful for the general community if other groups (such as Cemaes Carnival) wished to use the space. An application could be made to Cronfa Padrig for the funding required to provide electricity, lighting and water facilities. The link with Horizon is seen as an excellent prospect.

All other matters arising would be dealt with through the agenda.

Chairman's Welcome

Richard expressed thanks to those who were present (which was at least a small increase in numbers from the previous meeting).

Treasurer's Report

Simon had sent an email indicating that the balance in the Club account was £3974.91
We have now received the Shell Grant of £350 at the beginning of June. MD was thanked for her persistence in achieving this grant.

Boatswain's Report

A couple of sheets on the jib are starting to fray and will need to be replaced. Alun has made a note of it on his report after the sail with Bob Trueman.

Jack Longman has offered to take on the role of Boatswain and step up from Deputy.

Secretary's Report

An email has been received from John Harrison who has unfortunately broken his shoulder and will be unable to sail for a while.

Marilyn reported that she has now set up a Local Giving page for the Boat Club – and will start to advertise this as soon as possible. She has been balancing it against what is happening with the Cemaes CIC page, which has been given priority to so far and has raised £350 plus a grant of £500.

An additional aim will be to seek out additional donors at the Beach Party.

Membership Secretary's Report

Sian reported that we now have:

35 full members

10 friends

There have been a few £10 trial sails who have subsequently converted to full members.

However, it is difficult to track this at the moment and an email could be set up so that Simon is also included when someone joins the Boat Club in any capacity.

Marilyn offered to individually email any past members who are not yet signed up before the next meeting. (**Action MD**)

Projected Sailing Trips:

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

Mike Steve are organizing this and Richard thanked them for all their hard work. An email has been sent out to all members about the trip and there are already a number of crew who have signed up.

Information is also now on Facebook and the website.

Bookings so far:

19th July - 10 people

20th July - 8 people

21st July - 7 people

22nd July - 5 people

Support boat – Alwyn has been contacted and the engine of Kayotic is being rebuilt at the moment. He hopes it will be ready in time but recommends that we research a backup just in case.

Graham Drinkwater has been spoken to by Piers. This could be a possible alternative. It's an ex-trawler and he has towed CHA before.

Mike T and Piers have previously accessed a RIB from MVS Menai Bridge. The contact is Giles and Mike W will get in touch. (**Action MW**)

We need to organise a minibus for the Saturday and Sunday for crew.

Saturday 18.00 pick up at Conwy to return to Cemaes.

Sunday pick up at Cemaes to be taken to Conwy for 12.00.

Piers offered to make enquiries re costing. (**Action PB**)

There was a discussion about uniformity of clothing and possibility of historical hats.

Copies of the timings have been given to Coxswain and Core crew.

It was decided to give it another week and then phone round to regular sailors and previous crew to ensure that there are enough people taking part.

We will need mooring right at the edge in Amlwch in order to set off as early as possible – so will need to contact the Harbour Master. (Request for Mike Thompson to Action this – **RD to ask him**).

It was suggested that the RNLI may want to get involved with the rowing/crewing. (**Action MW/SB**)

- **Holyhead**

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

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

Website / Facebook update

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

- 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? Marilyn will ask Janet Cross. (**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. This may be something to do with the Social Events/ News link. Marilyn will ask Janet Cross. (**Action MD**)
- A question was raised whether emails could be sent out to people direct if sailing is cancelled. Someone could take on this task if they were willing, but Marilyn explained that she does not have time to do this. Marilyn needs to train other people, particularly in managing the bookings part of the website so that this is monitored all the time. Mike Thompson will be approached. (**Action MD**)

Cemaes CIC

We are still waiting for the final stages of finance to be agreed. If the decision is made in our favour we can carry on. We have a very strong case, but will notify everyone as soon as we know.

Social Events:

- **Quiz Night**

This was a very enjoyable evening and raised a profit of £137.

Richard has offered to do another Quiz Night on Saturday 12th October.

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

Bill and Jaqi Yates have already kindly volunteered to assist on the day.

Piers and Sue will not be here. Grass cutting the day before will need more volunteers – Steve Bray offered to help. Other possible contacts are David Thornton and Jack Longman.

Cemaes CIC has been awarded a 'Magic Little Grant' of £500 from Local Giving to promote physical activities and we have arranged for Anglesey Adventures to provide free taster sessions in kayaking, raft building and body boarding. This will take place during the Beach Party and is an extra attraction for the community. Marilyn will plan the day and send out details to all members requesting help as usual. (**Action MD**)

The Bouncy Castle is booked and a drinks Licence has been organised.

Piers kindly arranged for his daughter to do the Face Painting during the meeting!

- **Cemaes Carnival – Monday, 26th August**

There was discussion about whether there would be a float or stall from CHA.

It was agreed that there should be a presence from Boat Club.

Marilyn will send out a request for volunteers. (**Action MD**)

The Coffin Dodgers are performing the night before in the Marquee and entry will be £3 per person (bring your own drinks).

AOB

Harbour Collection Box

Mike reported that he can't open the lock so he will need to break in and put a new padlock on. (**Action MW**)

Harbour White Lines

We need to organise a day for to do this by contacting the Harbour Committee. (**Action SB and MW to ask Derek**)

Holyhead

Piers raised the point that if we go to Holyhead we should take the opportunity to have CHA lifted in order that the keel can be inspected. Piers will make enquiries for this. (**Action PB**)

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Next Boat Club Meetings in The Vigour:

Tuesday, 23rd July 7.30pm

Monday, 19th August 7.30pm

Thursday, 19th September, 7.30pm

MD: 1/7/19