

Cemaes Boat Club

Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday, 18th August, 2021

Present:

Richard Downs

Marilyn Downs

Gerallt Jones

Richard Walton

Steve Bray

Mike Thompson

Sian Jones

1. Richard welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.
2. Apologies for absence were received from:
Janet Whitlam, Mike Whitlam, Simon Drakley, Ian Smith, Piers Beeland, Sue Beeland, Elfed Jones, Norman Mason, David Thornton, Paul Beales, Morg Flooks, Nigel Flooks.
3. Minutes of the previous meetings
All who had attended agreed that the minutes were accurate and open for everyone to read on the website (apart from the confidential item re Cemaes CIC which had been sent to Cemaes Boat Club members only).
Proposed: SianJones, Seconded: Mike Thompson
4. Matters arising:
 - Membership publicity – Richard notified everyone about the problem that the Boat Club had encountered about putting a publicity poster in the Harbour noticeboard.
As a result, it is proposed that Cemaes Boat Club applies to have its own noticeboards. One could be located on the wall of the café in the car park next to the CHA Picture. An additional application could be made to have one located on the pier next to the CHA picture. The cost of a weatherproof noticeboard is in the region of £150. All agreed to this proposal.
Marilyn will make the applications to the Council and Harbour Committee and then purchase as appropriate – with red frame, blue background.

- Contact with National Historic Ships UK
Marilyn reported that she had applied for a Marsh Volunteer Award to recognise the significant contribution that Norman had made to the Charles Henry Ashley. Mike offered to let Norman know. However, she reported that she hadn't yet had time to explore the other grant opportunities. Mike offered to re-send the links for information.
- Richard reported that he had not yet had time to write a news article for publication on the website, but would try to complete the task as soon as he was able.
- Publicity Flags – Simon had said he would ask about costs with MonSAR before we purchase.
- Picture Raffle – Sian said she would try and organise this as soon as possible.

5. Treasurer's Report

Simon had sent a financial report to Marilyn:

£3,201.57 is in the current account with £60 to pay in. Sian also has some funds to pass to Simon.

(We still have to purchase 14 lifejackets to complete the grant award from Magnox in 2020. This will cost £700.)

6. Boatswain's Report

The work on the stern has gone really well, but there is a section on the prow that has become soft and rotten due to the ropes at the front accumulating water and creating constant dampness. This will be cut out and a slab of wood inserted and the area filled. Simon and Alun are assisting with this work. A discussion took place about how the rope could be lifted away to allow air flow - a sacrificial frame

Mike Thompson reported that the fenders are in a shocking condition, but they could be improved with special coverings which are available from Dulas Boats.

Mike has contacted Darren at Hempel Paints to ask for their support in providing paint.

7. Secretary's Report

Marilyn had nothing new to report.

8. Membership Secretary's Report

Sian reported that there were now 26 full members and 8 friends. Two more friends had joined since the last meeting.

9. Website / Facebook Report

Marilyn will create a News article (with Richard's help) to be published on the Website and Facebook link. This could then be shared with the Historic Lifeboat page. The subject matter will be around the maintenance and include photographs to demonstrate the work that was undertaken in this past year.

10. Cemaes CIC update - Discussion of future options **(Confidential to Cemaes Boat Club Members)**

Because this is a significant decision to make, it is important that there is a greater representation of members and that the meeting is quorate.

This will be the main agenda item at the next meeting and Marilyn will try to encourage a larger attendance.

11. Future events:

- Tombola stall - now Sunday, 29th August
Marilyn will publicise this and ask for further donations for Eirlys. Sian offered to be the collection point. Marilyn will get the CHA boards ready, Steve will organise tables and help with set up.

12. Christmas Dinner – Provisionally booked at The Gadlys for Dec 11th.

13. A.O.B.

- Richard suggested that we should replace the collection box and possibly site one at each CHA picture with the new noticeboards. Marilyn offered to buy them (approx. price is £35 each).

- Gerallt suggested the possibility of organising a celebrity speaker next year as a fundraising event. Tom Cunnillife does after dinner speaking about sailing experiences and proceeds could be shared with the RNLI.

Alternatively, Dilwyn Morgan could attract a Welsh speaking audience. He has a series on S4C and as well as being the ex- Mayor of Bala, he is also a comedian.

It was agreed that we should explore the costs.

14. Date of next meeting: Wednesday, 22nd September – 7.00pm The Vigour

Meeting closed at 8.45pm

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