

Cemaes Boat Club
Minutes of Meeting held Wednesday, 7th June, 2022

Present:

Richard Downs

Marilyn Downs

Sian Jones

Graham Booth

Gerallt Jones

Steve Bray

Richard Walton

Mike Thompson arrived at 7.35

1. Richard welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.
2. Apologies for absence were received from:
Norman Mason, Elfed Jones, Simon Drakley, Mike Thompson (attending Harbour Committee)
3. Minutes of the previous meeting (11.5.22):
All who had attended agreed that the minutes were accurate. They are available to read on the website.
Proposed: Gerallt Jones Seconded: Sian Jones
4. Matters arising:
 - Richard asked if any CHA stock was sold at Mona Showground.
 - Cronfa Padrig Grant Application. £8646.30 was granted. Simon will be able to confirm when we receive the money as it will go straight into the account. Marilyn will send an official thank you and when The Firs is fully kitted out, the Boat Club will invite the committee to come and see it. A 5kw generator has been supplied by Wally's friend, Paul Sumners. Marilyn will send a thank you card.

If there is any money saved because there's no need to buy a generator and all other items have been purchased, we will return the saved money back to Cronfa Padrig.
 - Steve and Richard had dressed the boat for the Jubilee holiday with flags loaned from the Carnival Committee.

5. Treasurer's Report:

The last financial report received was at the AGM.
(31.3.2022 £2,230.58).

Marilyn gave the meeting a breakdown of all the monies received at the Dilwyn Morgan event for tickets, raffle and donations. It was a combination of cash and cheques. Additional payments were made via bank transfer, which will need to be subsequently checked by Simon.

Marilyn will give these accounts to Simon so that he can keep it for his records.

The evening was supported financially through the Local Giving Magic Grant of £500 that was awarded in 2021 and the Nos Allan Fach group of the Welsh Arts Council.

This meant that the cost of the Speaker Dilwyn Morgan and the purchase of a portable microphone were covered.

An overall profit of £537.40 was made.

Marilyn has also applied for another £500 Magic Grant and this has been awarded so that the Boat Club can organise a Beach Events Day.

6. Boatswain's Report:

A team of volunteers washed down the boat. It was dressed with bunting borrowed from the Carnival Committee by Steve and Richard on Friday 3rd. A small boat close to CHA could possibly cause damage with the outboard and a request has been made that this is considered by the Harbour Committee.

7. Secretary's Report:

Marilyn reported that the Dilwyn Morgan event was very successful and a number of new members had been signed up which achieved the main aim of the evening.

We also raised some funds and hopefully the bank balance is now healthier. Dilwyn is promoting the boat and Gerallt played an extract from Radio Cymru on 1st June where Dilwyn was talking about the history of Charles Henry Ashley. It was agreed that we should keep in touch with Dilwyn and ensure that he is invited to come for a sail on CHA as this will benefit the publicity for the Club.

Richard thanked Mike Thompson and Gerallt for their input on the night. It was agreed that we could repeat a similar event again next year. The Harbour would be another good venue where a different section of the community would be reached. This might attract younger members.

Marilyn reported that we were supposed to use some funds awarded from Magnox for life jackets and radios. Magnox had given the Boat Club a grant of £550 which was supposed to be matched funding giving us a total spend of £1,100.

£122.34 has been spent on the purchase of walkie talkies. However, the supposed purchase of new lifejackets hasn't happened because of Covid and lack of stock/supplies due to Brexit.

A discussion took place about the need to replace lifejackets (Seago Seaguard approx. £60), the missing hand held radios (approx. £250-300), replacement flares (approx. £100) and a First Aid Kit (approx. £30).

It was agreed that Marilyn should source the lifejackets as indicated on the original grant application and if any money is still available, purchase the additional safety equipment.

Marilyn has sent a reminder email to members who have not yet re-joined.

8. Membership Secretary's Report:

Sian had reported that membership numbers were:

Full members 33	Friends 9	1 day sail 1
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Total 43

Mike Thompson raised the possibility of issuing membership certificates once people had joined.

9. Website / Facebook Report:

Marilyn is able to monitor the sailing bookings and cancel or confirm as necessary. The crew list is easy to send to the named coxswain.

Communications are backed up with Facebook notices and Simon now has Admin access as well as Marilyn.

We have to rely on all who have signed up to monitor the website as it is too difficult to send emails to individuals.

10. Future events:

- Lifeboat Day – August 14th

Steve Bray reported that the RNLI have asked that if we have a CHA stall, we either pay their charge or give them a contribution. Steve and Gerallt offered to assist with a stall. Mike will liaise with the vicar about blessing the boat. The Boat Club will give a donation to the RNLI.

- Summer Event – Beach Events Day on Saturday, 20th August.

It was suggested that CHA could be beached on the far side so that the public could look at her. High water is at 18.08 on that day and CHA could then be

rowed back in the afternoon.

Marilyn would get a Temporary Event Notice and organise a Beach Bar.

Other activities could be a Tombola, Raffle, Face Painting, Lucky Dip, Coconut Shy, Beat the Goalie, Treasure Pool, Heaving Line, Obstacle Course (It's a Knockout), Hoop-la, Guess the weight of Cake/Sweets, Guess the name of Cuddly Toy, Cricket, Bouncy Castle, etc.

The theme could be Pirates and Sea Creatures – and there could be prize for the best Fancy Dress.

It will all depend on the number of volunteers who will help on the day and Marilyn will send out an email to start to sign people up.

Food would be available from Chris at the Beach Café and Marilyn would liaise with him and request a donation.

- Cemaes Carnival – 28th August.

We have been asked if we can take part in the Carnival and a stall will cost us £5. It was agreed that we should take part and possibly look for some volunteers for the parade as well. Marilyn will ask for helpers in her next email.

11. A.O.B.

- Graham asked if we could set up links on our website with appropriate sites. Marilyn will speak to Janet about it.
- Norman has organised a small team of volunteers to shift all the Boat Club equipment from Peibron Farm to the Firs on Saturday at 9.00am. Norman, Simon and Steve have keys to the site.

Mike Thompson reported back from the Harbour Committee that the mooring of the boat next to China Pete is fixed and has fenders.

12. Date of next meeting: Wednesday 27th July – 7.00pm The Vigour