

THORNTON STEWARD SAILING CLUB

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Notes of the meeting held on 17th January, 2018 at the Old Black Swan, Bedale.

PRESENT: Kenneth Gibson, Kay Anstay (in the Chair), Malcolm Cummins, Peter Kearsley, Gillan Gibson, John Pilgrim, Mike Smith, Eddie Fearnside.

Janet Cummins also in attendance.

1.APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Annabelle Le Page, Dave Oldacres, Rob Wyatt & Ian Astley.

2.MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6th DECEMBER 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 6th December 2017 (previously circulated) were accepted as a correct record.

3.MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

4.TREASURER'S REPORT

A written report by the Treasurer was circulated at the meeting & received.

5. SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Secretary reported on the agenda the gist of emails circulating between members since the last meeting . They had not involved making specific decisions & most of them were picked up in other items on the agenda.

In addition, he reported receipt of a flyer from Club2Class regarding an app designed to promote racing , on which no further action was agreed. Also, he reported that he had tried to contact the person at Yorkshire Water who wanted to open dialogue on stopping the spread of invasive species but without success to date despite leaving a number to ring back. In the interim, Gillan Gibson offered to mention the issue in the next Newsletter & to pick up relevant leaflets from the Dinghy Show for deposit in the clubhouse.

6.DRAFT SAILING PROGRAMME FOR 2018

The Sailing Secretary circulated the 3rd draft for comments, which should be emailed to Gillan & Mike Smith.

7.MEMBERSHIP REPORT

A written report had been submitted, showing no change from the previous meeting.

8.HEALTH & SAFETY STANDING ITEM

It was agreed that discussion on Safety Boat Competence be deferred again & included on the agenda for the next meeting. Eddie Fearnside confirmed that he had arranged for an expert to examine the ash tree & give us a price for taking it down. At the same time he would look at any other issues relating to trees affecting our premises.

9.PREMISES STANDING ITEM

John Pilgrim asked whether there was any insurance issue with lone sailing without a buddy in Club boats & was assured that the matter was covered. He also mentioned that the pontoon, which he had very kindly repaired, needed more security than it had at the moment. He was authorised to purchase such rope as is needed to improve the situation.

Kenneth Gibson gave a resume on the water leak, which had given rise to a large bill for water usage from Yorkshire Water. Their contractor had paid a site visit & eventually discovered that there was running water in the meter chamber in the roadside of Moor Lane & the connection at that point had failed. Remedial work is in hand on behalf of YW & Ken has been in touch with them to sort out the bill. He is optimistic that it will be revised significantly downwards; the supply pipe was installed originally to serve the fishermen's toilets belonging to YW, with the Club taking a supply spur off that, so the responsibility should be theirs.

10.GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS (GDPR)

Kay Anstay gave an update on the work carried out to date to enable the Club to meet the requirements of the new GDPR. She had circulated prior to the meeting copies of a number of documents, including a revised Membership Form, Privacy Notice, Personal Information Policy, & the audit of the Categories of Personal Information maintained by the Club. She drew attention to the need for members to opt-in to their details being included in the Membership Directory which appears in the Newsletter, contrary to what was agreed at the last meeting, as RYA advice was clear that such a directory can include only the details of members who agree to their inclusion. Gillan Gibson had been researching the issue of personal information in the context of courses; these are considered not to require specific consent as they are 'in the vital interests of the data subject' & will be destroyed after the course.

The documents submitted were approved & will appear on our website.

11.CHILD PROTECTION STANDING ITEM

There were no items to consider.

12.AGM MATTERS

The Secretary had previously circulated a further draft of the Report of the Committee to the AGM. The draft was agreed, subject to the inclusion of reference to John Pilgrim achieving his Senior Instructor qualification & an additional paragraph to encourage members to read the Personal Information Policy on the website, together with the Privacy Notice, & tick the appropriate boxes on the membership form. A brief report from the Secretary on a minor change to our Rules arising from the GDPR had been circulated prior to the meeting & was approved for submission to the AGM for ratification.

Discussion on the award of trophies was deferred to allow Gillan Gibson to draft a list of possible candidates for circulation by email.

The item put forward by Tim Wilson was agreed for inclusion on the agenda, the Secretary to clarify with Tim what exactly he intends to cover & how he intends to present his item, with a view to making such changes to the refreshments arrangements as might be prudent.

13.ANY OTHER BUSINESS

John Pilgrim mentioned that he understood the larger safety boat in the Robinson Building was damaged, resulting in water being taken on board when in use. He agreed to speak to Rob Wyatt to establish the position & report back. If necessary, we will arrange for the boat to be taken to Trident for attention; alternatively, they may be prepared to come down to the Club to effect a repair.