



# Ashlett Sailing Club



Minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June  
at 7 pm via Zoom.

1. Present by Zoom: Chris Brown (Chairman), Jim Hopwood (Secretary), Sharon Geary-Harwood (Treasurer), Merv Griffiths, Keith Guy Gibbens, Martin Lucas, Phil Crossland, Dick Pizey, Sam Henley Smith, Neil Howarth.
2. Apologies for Absence: George Fabling, Dave Waters
3. Minutes of the last meeting: **Approved.**
4. Health and Safety; No reported incidents.
5. Commodore – Chris Brown:
  - a. Update on hoist – 10 boats have been lifted successfully. Approx £1500 fees collected.
  - b. Tractor service – see item 12.o
  - c. Small projects – all members please **send proposals for expenditure to Chris and Sharon by 24 June** for consideration at the next meeting.
6. Secretary – Jim Hopwood:
  - a. Confirmation Statement accepted by Companies House.
  - b. Regatta plans? Other events?
    - i. **Chris will organise an event and barbecue on 12 June.**
    - ii. **Phil will confirm regatta catering and music.**
    - iii. **Jim will contact RNLI, TLS and Sue (re ducks).**
    - iv. **Dick will develop a program for the day.**
7. Treasurer – Sharon Geary Harwood:
  - a. There is approximately £60,000 in the bank.
8. Membership – Dick Pizey:
  - a. One potential application expected from website enquiry.
  - b. BBQ tested and as an item of equipment works but it isn't possible tonight all six burners at once and the heat provided is insufficient. (Post meeting note: problem solved with a full bottle).
  - c. WiFi project will resume this month.
  - d. Chichester cruise a success with 14 boats taking part...most from the club with additions from around the Solent.

9. Projects – Phil Crossland:
  - a. Research for new toilets continuing.
  
10. Pontoon and Slip – Dave Waters:
  - a. Nothing to report pontoon wise.
  - b. A little note in the newsletter to mention the pontoon etiquette would be good. If anyone has an electronic copy of 'pontoon etiquette', please send it to Chris.
  
11. Moorings – Keith Guy-Gibbens:
  - a. 4 moorings assigned. Two on the waiting list.
  - b. Email written to a member requiring him to vacate the SB mooring he is temporarily occupying in order for it to be reissued.
  - c. Two moorings should be vacated very soon.
  - d. Chris Edwards has offered to do some low tide repairs for us to enable another mooring to be used.
  - e. Three moorings identified that need completely refurbishing, to be done in due course.
  - f. I would like to transcribe Rule J (G) and Rule J (6) into the next news letter please. Many of the new members (and most of the old one's!) are not aware that once allocated a mooring, they are completely responsible for the upkeep.
  - g. I have also been asked about long term non use of the moorings.
  
12. Bosun – Merv Griffiths:
  - a. New fuel Lift pump fitted to Massey Tractor, which has also reduced one of the bad oil leaks, a new battery has also been fitted to this tractor.
  - b. I shall be contacting a Massey Ferguson dealer to investigate an intermittent fault on the brakes. **-Full service including fixing brakes ~ £1000 approved.**
  - c. Both the green starboard hand navigation buoys that have been renovated will be deployed in the near future.
  - d. The boat hoist has proved to be successful, so much so that we are in desperate need to recruit more teams to operate it, this is not an easy job and cannot be left to one team. **Chris is compiling a list of trained volunteers.**
  
13. Pound – Martin Lucas:
  - a. Had a good tidy up and sort out members boats in the compound as a lot of boats have changed hands, waiting for the list of who has what.
  - b. I am hoping to have a list of trailers to scrap.
  - c. The path from the south bank kissing gate to go around the site is starting to take shape.
  - d. Paint tins removal contract Quote £296.29 when full only so maybe once a year. **Agreed.**
  - e. Need to know who has paid for what so I can check and update my records.
  - f. A notice to all members to remind them that all things in the compound should be marked clearly.
  - g. Need a good tidy up in general again. **Fortnightly work parties proposed.**
  
14. Maintenance – George Fabling:
  - a. Various basic maintenance tasks carried out.

- b. Gents toilets unblocked, gates and locks, work party compound etc.
- c. Mast lifter now fully operational with new hook and shackle.
- d. Club House cooker issues resolved.
- e. Two locks at Complete Security for refurb.

15. Boat House – Neil Howarth:

- a. Nothing really to report this month.
- b. Plan to check / refurbish club sailing dinghies and advertise availability.

16. Club House – Sam Henley Smith:

- a. It is good to see people being able to use the facility of the clubhouse once again.
- b. Rachel's hours have now reverted to her pre-lockdown schedule of 3 hrs on a Monday (to clean clubhouse and toilet block) and 1.5 hours on a Thursday to clean toilet block and check clubhouse.
- c. I propose buying door mats for toilets to help keep floor more clean. **Agreed**
- d. Sunday coffee is increasingly well attended, with club members back working on their boats and people generally keen to socialise. So far everyone has been very cooperative about max 6 in the clubhouse.
- e. Hanging baskets now up.
- f. I am looking into options for increasing seating on the grass outside, as suggested by other committee members. Sharon plans to donate a table in memory of Stewart Brown. She will price one more and research benches for the veranda.

17. AOB

- a. Keith to offer South Bank mooring to Paul Askham.
- b. Agreed to change the financial year to April to March and hold AGMs in October. Jim and Sharon to prepare a proposal for an EGM in October this year.

18. Future meetings: 1st July, 5th August, 2nd September, 7th October, 4th November, 2nd December