

### **Annual General Meeting Minutes**

### Sunday 31st October 2021 – The Reedcutter Inn, Cantley at 10.00a.m.

Andy Garnham began the meeting with a minute's silence for Barry Speakman who sadly passed away recently. His Memorial service will be in Warrington on 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Trevor Potter ran the London marathon for the Prostate Cancer Charity on behalf of Barry and wished to formally thank all members who generously made donations.

#### 1. Members present:

Trevor Potter, Kerry Burwood, Michael Burwood, Andy Garnham, Denis Kilner, Marcus Garnham, Margaret Kilner, Simon Miles, Lisa Reed, Mark Thorne, Jonathan Winterton, Rosemary Winterton, Will Learoyd, Tim Hurren, Peter Samain.

#### 2. Apologies:

Ian Bowmaker, Tim Duff, Marion Tunwell, Jan Farrar, Melanie Farrar, Richard Farrar.

#### 3. Minutes of the 2019 AGM.

On review the results table does not match the small summary, to be checked and edited as appropriate. Otherwise the minutes of the AGM held on 27<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were proposed as an accurate record by Lisa Reid and seconded by Simon Miles and approved unanimously.

#### 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes.

There were no other matters arising.

#### 5. Reports:

These had been circulated in advance of the meeting so that all members had the opportunity to read them.

#### A. Commodore's Report

This year has once again been frustrating, and we know as a committee you are all itching to sail. Your committee wrestled with the ever-changing government guidance, which I have to say is no less confusing for those of us who hold a medical qualification. Given that even by the summer our young people would not have been vaccinated we thought that there was no chance of maintaining biological safety on our boats. I know a challenge at the best of times. I hope you will be with me given the recent post summer upsurge in the virus.

Once again those of us who are caretakers are looking forward to the social distancing of the boat shed where sanders lung is more of a risk than the corona virus. Unlike work however I can go outside and take off the PPE.

I do think we have cause for optimism and given the withdrawal symptoms I'm even thinking that we might have a rush on for an Easter week. Next summer I think we will have a full programme of sailing given the success of vaccination. I look forward to welcoming you to those weeks as well as racing events.



I would like to say thank you to all those who have helped wrestle with the decisions, and I am grateful to your committee that they have all volunteered to stay on to support continuity. I hope you will support them in doing so. We also owe thanks to the Yare sailing club for supporting us to make the Cecil Howard race happen so we could have at least one event this year. Personally, I was made up winning the Ian Spoors trophy with one of our members who has returned to Norfolk after many years away. Looking forward to seeing you all over the next season

Best Wishes
Andy Garnham

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#### **B.** Vice Commodore/Racing Report

#### Race: Round The Island River Cruiser Race Date: Cancelled

The race was cancelled this year due to several factors including tides deemed to make completing the race difficult but also the conflict with races at Oulton Week. Considering option to make the race date more flexible in the coming years.

Race: Cecil Howard Memorial Race Date: 5-September-2021

<u>Comments:</u> Thank you to the Yare Sailing Club for co-sponsoring the race this year as we thought club insurance for one event was not the way to go. It was great to see everyone and especially a few Wyverners from years gone by – one who started all the way back in 1949 (old Cecil and Bert stories on offer) and brothers who sailed in the 1990's and are keen to participate again in GWYC cruises. Clarification on how the Ian Spoors trophy is awarded was mentioned by some of the race participants. We will bring up with the committee and post later in the year.

#### **Committee:**

- <u>Vice Commodore:</u> Mark Thorne <u>Race Secretary:</u> Lisa Reed
- OOD: Mark Thorne
- Start Line: Guns Chris Dowsett, Flags Christine Walton, Timing Mel Farrar
- Safety Boat: Launch Joe Farrow, Pilot Simon Miles, Mate Peter Semain
- Finish Line: Coldham Hall Sailing Club Results: Lisa Reed

<u>Conditions/Results:</u> It was a glorious day and although light on wind, it was in the correct direction to quickly push everyone to Coldham Hall to enjoy the sunshine and good company.

- 368 Wandering Rose Cecil Howard Memorial Trophy fastest corrected time
- 52 Maidie <u>Dave Valentine Memorial Trophy</u> 2nd fastest corrected time
- 217 Melinda Green Wyvern Trophy 3rd fastest corrected time
- 123 Puck <u>Ian Spoors Memorial Trophy</u> fastest 'high handicapped' boat on corrected time that has not already won a trophy based on 50/50 handicap split



	Cecil Howard	Memorial Race										
		First Start Time:	10:00:00				Date:	05/09/2021	Conditions:	Sunny, 20C		
		Start Interval:	00:05:00						Wind ->	Strength:	Direction:	
									Beaufort	2	E	
14	Entered											
Sail					Start	Finish	Pen	Elap	sed	Corre	ected	
No	Boat Name	Helm	Handicap		No	Time	Min	Time	Seconds	Seconds	Time	Position
368	Wandering Rose	Team Wandering Ros	-2%		1	11:04:17		01:04:17	3857	3780	01:03:00	1
52	Maidie	J. Patience	12%		1	10:56:31		00:56:31	3391	3798	01:03:18	2
217	Melinda	P Howes	1%		1	11:03:30		01:03:30	3810	3848	01:04:08	3
168	Hiawatha	Jo Desorgher	-23%	Р	4	11:39:45		01:24:45	5085	3915	01:05:15	P
123	Puck	A Garnham	-17%		3	11:29:02		01:19:02	4742	3936	01:05:36	4
118	Tinkerbell	A Lincoln	-6%		2	11:14:54		01:09:54	4194	3942	01:05:42	5
370	Glory	C Brown	-6%	Р	2	11:15:58		01:10:58	4258	4003	01:06:43	Р
100	Swallow	K Halifax	-7%		2	11:16:54		01:11:54	4314	4012	01:06:52	6
98	Force Four	J Winterton	-21%		4	11:40:24		01:25:24	5124	4048	01:07:28	7
302	Vixen	D Kilner	-10%		2	11:20:01		01:15:01	4501	4051	01:07:31	8
244	Catspaw	B Wilkins	-5%		1	11:11:16		01:11:16	4276	4062	01:07:42	9
87	Modwena	B. Heath	-18%		3	11:37:00		01:27:00	5220	4280	01:11:20	10
149	Stella Genesta	M Burwood	-19%		3	11:38:09		01:28:09	5289	4284	01:11:24	11
92	Honey	L Cook	-15%	Р	3	11:37:14		01:27:14	5234	4449	01:14:09	Р

**Incidents:** None reported.

**Meal:** No official meal but we still gathered the night before at the Reedcutter for food, drink and good company.

#### **Flyers:**



#### C. Chief Instructor's Report

No Report this year as no training due to Covid.

Jonathon Winterton (Chief instructor) requested that all Instructors should check their certification expiry dates and advise any recertifications required.

#### D. Treasurer's Report

Another difficult year has passed for us all and of course for the club, with no training weeks for the second year in a row. Financially however, we are slightly better off, mainly due to an insurance refund after some persistent efforts by Rosemary. There were several fixed costs but enough in reserve to meet those easily. The Cecil Howard Race was back, and after a donation to the Yare Sailing Club, we made a small profit on that.

The training fund remains healthy with only the RYA subscription to pay and the PAN/LJB fund has slowly accumulated through member donations. Finally, Peter Samain has kindly agreed to examine the accounts this year.



2. Income/expenditure

### The breakdown of the accounts is as follows.

3. Training and Pan/LJB

1.

1. Balance sheet

	06/10/2017	23/09/2018	23/09/2019	30/09/2020	30/09/2021
Cash in bank	8949.49	10500.01	11154.61	2312.72	2696.14
In transit	5040.00	5350.00	5680	0	0
Total	8,949.49	10500.01	11154.61	2312.72	2826.14
Total net assets	8,949.49	10500.01	11154.61	2312.72	2826.14
assets	0,949.49	10300.01	11154.61	2312.72	2020.14

2.

Income		Expenditure	
Insurance Refund	593.91	Web Hosting and domain	£59.99
Cecil Howard race 140.00		Green Books & Affiliation	£98.00
Refund from training 130.00		RYA subscription	£130.00
Subs	30.00	Green book advert	£42.50
		YSC Donation re: CH Race	£50.00
		Insurance (Towergate)	£0.00
Total	893.91	Total	380.49

Carried from 2019-20	2,312.72
Net Income	893.91
Expenditure	380.49
Less boat owners fees	0.00
Balance in bank	2,826.14



3.

Training Fund	Income		Expenditure
Carried over from 2020-21	2,765.81	RYA subscriptions	£130.00
Transfer from main account	0.00	RYA Safe and fun	£0.00
		First Aid books	£0.00
		RYA Handbooks	£0.00
		Training weekend	£0.00
			£0.00
Total	2765.81		130.00

PAN/LJB Fund	Income	Expenditure
Carried over from 2018-19	1818.00	0.00
Member's Donations	340.00	
Christmas party raffle	0.00	
Total	2158.00	0.00
Bank Holdings (Training + PAN/LJB)	4793.81	

These accounts were inspected and declared fit for purpose by Peter Samain, at the Geldeston Locks Inn on October 12<sup>th</sup> 2021.

#### E. Secretary's Report

Unfortunately, another year badly hit by Covid resulting in little club activity. All Cruises were cancelled as was the Round the island race. The situation is improving, and we did successfully run the Cecil Howard Memorial Race primarily because of the significant effort put in by Lisa the Sailing Secretary in organising the event. The derigging party is going ahead on 30<sup>th</sup> October, and we hope to hold a Christmas Party on 11<sup>th</sup> December.

#### **Committee & Meetings**

Your 2021 Committee consisted of the following 12 Members:

Commodore Andy Garnham



Vice Commodore Mark Thorne

Chief instructor Jonathan Winterton

Treasurer Trevor Potter
Sailing Secretary Lisa Reed
Meetings Secretary Ian Bowmaker
Welfare Officer Rosemany Win

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Secretary Michael Burwood
Committee Member Melanie Farrar
Committee Member Denis Kilner
Committee Member Simon Miles
Committee Member Will Learoyd

Club rules (5.6) states that the committee should meet at least three times per year.

The committee has met 5 times this year so far, with a 6<sup>th</sup> meeting scheduled for 30<sup>th</sup> October.

23 January By Zoom 23 March By Zoom 17 April By Zoom

10 JulyThe Reedcutter Inn, Cantley04 SeptemberThe Reedcutter Inn, Cantley30 OctoberThe Reedcutter Inn, Cantley

I'd like to thank all those who participated in keeping the Club going through a difficult period.

Mike Burwood, Secretary.

#### F. Sailing Secretary's Report

No Report this year as no cruises due to Covid. Lisa Reed said there is plenty of interest for next year.

#### G. Welfare Officer's Report

No Report this year as no cruises due to Covid. Rosemary Winterton informed that there is a new online system through the RYA for DBS which we will need to use next year.

#### H. Examiner of Accounts

Peter Samain Reported that the books are balanced and in credit.

Mark Thorne proposed (and Will Learoyd seconded) that all the above reports be accepted. The proposal was agreed unanimously.



#### 6. Motions

Two motions have been carried over from the EGM which was cancelled due to Covid.

Motions 1 & 2 are both proposed by Andy Garnham and seconded by Jonathan Winterton.

#### Motion 1

Section 7.3 of the club rules reads

'Full Members shall be elected at a meeting of Skippers at the end of a week's recognised cruise.'

It is Proposed that 7.3 should be replaced with:

'On the completion of two weeks sailing on recognised club cruises, at the 'end of week' Skippers' meeting Associate Members may be invited to become Full Members of the club with the rank of 'Crew'.'

#### Motion 2

Section 7.4 of the club rules reads

'In special circumstances the Committee may invite any person for membership. These appointments can only be made to the rank of member; promotion above this shall require the person concerned to sail on a Club cruise in the normal way.'

It is proposed that 7.4 should be replaced with:

'In special circumstances the committee may invite a person for membership. These appointments can only be made to the membership of the club. Promotion within the ranks of the club shall require the person concerned to sail on an official Club cruise in the normal way.'

On voting both motions were unanimously carried forward, the club rules will be amended prior to the 2022 sailing season to reflect this.

#### 7. Cruise Fees and Food Money for 2022.

The cruise fees should remain the same as previous years at £160 for early booking and £180 for those booking after one month before sailing, Food money should increase from £40 to £50. Voted on and carried by 14 votes to 1.



#### 8. Election of officers:

#### A. Election of Officers and Committee Members.

As advised in the agenda.

Position	Nominee	Proposer	Second
Commodore	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood	Lisa Reed
Vice Commodore	Mark Thorne	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Chief Instructor*	Jonathan Winterton	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Treasurer	Trevor Potter	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Welfare Officer**	Rosemary Winterton	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Club Secretary	Michael Burwood	Andy Garnham	Lisa Reed
Sailing Secretary	Lisa Reed	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Meeting Secretary	Ian Bowmaker	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Youth Member	No Candidate***		
Committee Member	Denis Kilner	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Committee Member	Simon Miles	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Committee Member	Melanie Farrar	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood
Committee Member	Will Learoyd	Andy Garnham	Michael Burwood

#### The above people were unanimously ratified as Officers and Committee Members.

Peter Samain suggested actively seeking a youth member through the membership as zoom/teams will likely be used for meetings anyway so not necessary to physically attend.

#### 9. Election of Examiner of Accounts

#### Peter unanimously voted as Examiner of accounts

#### 10. 2022 Calendar

The Calendar has been updated and copies of our most up-to-date version were circulated.

Jonathon Winterton proposed planning, 75<sup>th</sup> year celebration cruise and meal for Whitsun weekend.

Committee meeting required to be fixed for January.

Low tide at GY Yacht station is 10:30 on 20<sup>th</sup> August so suitable for Round the Island Race.

Further updates will be added after the Green Book Meeting in November.



#### 11. Nominations for Rear Commodore

None received.

#### 12. Club Championship Award.

This is awarded to the best GWYC yacht in the Round the Island and the Cecil Howard Race, with no RTIR this year Puck was the best placed club boat in the Cecil Howard Race. Mark Thorne presented the trophy to Andy Garnham.

#### 13. Any Other Notified Business (not requiring a vote)

Trevor Potter raised the issue of Covid and next years cruises. There was a discussion about this as it's expected that some skippers would not sail if children are not vaccinated. The point was made that we can review RYA policies on this but we are in a different situation to most as we not only sail together outside but sleep in a confined space inside. It was agreed that Vaccination will be a requirement for participation in a cruise. Wording to this effect is to be included in the cruise booking forms.

Lisa Reed agreed to update the invites to sail and will sent them out soon after today's meeting.

#### Meeting Closed.

Meeting closed at 10:46 hours.