

Minutes of the AGM of the Stort Boat Club

19th February 2018

The Commodore welcomed all the members who attended the meeting.

1. There were Apologies from:

Dave and Jan Harris, Barbara Davis, Maggi and Graham Smith, Monica Hayes, Colin and Claire Porter, Dave and Glynis Dennis, Sue Higgs, Bob and Bunty Langley.

2. Minutes of the AGM 2017 were read and proposed as a true record Proposed by Banny Banyard, seconded by Robbie Barrett. They were approved unanimously.

3. Commodores Report.

Thanks were made to Sue Barrett for her editorship of the Stort Reporter, and Pauline Riley for organising the buffet and the New Inn. John and Helen Smith for attending London boater's forum.

Very pleased to see so many members present. The club is maintaining and increasing membership at a time when boating interest on the Lee and Stort boating clubs has been diminishing.

A successful year. Membership is steady and Events have been well supported by club members. The members are active, not only in the local areas but farther afield as well.

There has been increased engagement in local boating organisations and membership of the AWCC is a real benefit.

SBC is a contributor to the association of the Lee cruising clubs meetings which are attended by local CRT staff where we are able to raise matters of concern. Helen and John Smith attend the London boater's forum and represent the views of the club members. This is important because policies that CRT apply are determined by expressed views of stake holders via the trustees.

5. Secretaries Report

There has been no correspondence.

The secretary has asked for someone else take over this role. No Members wished to be secretary but Susan Banyard agreed to take the minutes at General meeting which the Secretary, Helen Smith will then distribute to the club members as the clerk. Helen Smith will continue as Secretary and sit on the Committee.

6. Membership Secretaries report.

There are now 35 boats and 66 members of the club.

New laws concerning keeping lists of members are coming into force by April 2018. It was agreed George would contact Bob Langley who has experience on how to enforce the Data protection act. Then Andy Higgs carry out the necessary work

7. Treasurers Report.

As attached sheet. Membership fees would continue at £6.00 a member. Current balance is £775.72 Assets to be included Burgees and pump and banners to be included in the report. Cost of a burgee £13.50 each.

The Treasurers report, subject to report to be examined by Keith Alderton, to be accepted by the members. Proposed by John Smith, seconded by Andy Higgs. Voted unanimously by the members.

8. Election of Commodore and the committee.

The committee members remained unchanged and were elected by the members unanimously.

Mike Newman Commodore, Vic Commodore George Cutting, Treasurer Martin Fidler, Secretary Helen Smith, Membership secretary Andy Higgs, Committee members Barbara Davis,

Meeting ended at 9.00p.m.