

The minutes of Thursday 25th August 2011 have been adopted as an agreed true record of that Meeting

Proposed: Sandy Thomson Seconded: Kirsty Maguire

FORTH CRUISING CLUB

Minutes of Committee Meeting – Thursday 29th September 2011

Present			
D Sullivan	DS	Commodore	Absent
P Whetton	PW	RC Piers & Moorings	ditto
J Hoyes	JRH	Secretary	
R Kelly	RK	RC Clubhouse	
I K Girvan	IKG	President	
A Thomson	ST	Vice Commodore	
K Maguire	KM	Social Convenor	
C Scrivener	C.S	Treasurer	ditto
G Scrivener	G S	RC Club Boats	
A Bullions	AB	R.C. Cruising Convenor	ditto

The meeting was brought to order at 1935 The President was in the Chair

Membership Applications:

Paul Tucker Andi Robertson & Chris Alsop Neil Mclean & George Henderson (no response)
All the above now abandoned

Memberships to be offered	George Scott
Membership Confirmed	
New enquiry	Simon Wadell

Note: Text in bold italic is an amendment, correction or comment by the President.

New and Active Items

Comment
<p>COMMODORE/PRESIDENT</p> <p>The president reported that he had received no briefing nor notes from the Commodore but understood that:</p> <p>Draught Beer I K G understood that the bar manager was researching options for obtaining beer in the volumes required</p>

by the club. This included discussions with a local publican who might be able to fulfil our requirements C/F

Facebook Account.

Nan (the Club's webmaster) proposed that the Club establish a Club Facebook account. In discussion there was an almost equal split between those in favour of the proposal and those against. It was eventually agreed that the project should go ahead for those who wished to partake. It was stressed however that as a significant percentage of the membership had no access to social networks, the club website would remain the 'official' method for information dissemination. – no further information available at this time C/F

Coastal Development Fund.

D. S said that he had been made aware of a scheme for monies to be made available to coastal communities to improve/enhance their local environments. He further understood that the money was from central Government and represented half the income from the Crown Estate monies raised in Scotland. It was not yet clear how the money was applied for, or distributed, but thought it might be used if available to renovate Limekilns pier. Various queries were raised over the matter, including whether Broomhall Estate would support that particular venture and if it might be wise to enlist the support of the Community Council. D.S. undertook to make further enquiries. – no further information available at this time C/F

VICE COMMODORE

Race Markers.

Sandy reported that he and G.S. had spent some time raising various racing marks. Even though he was surprised at the effort necessary to lift their moorings, he was even more taken aback by the distance the moorings had been dragged. He proposed that the moorings should be fitted with anchors to prevent them shifting and further proposed that these should be sought at Boat Jumbles.

Starters Hut.

S.T. said that he understood that it had now been revealed that the roof of the hut was suffering from dry rot.

In more general terms he was frustrated that although the subject was frequently discussed in committee no definitive action was taken to resolve the situation. Moreover he was concerned that any piecemeal redevelopment of the Hut could alienate either the local community or planning authority. The President responded that his understanding was that it had been agreed at last month's meeting that the proposal to clad the hut had been taken but only after some remedial works (e.g. renewing the holding down straps) had been undertaken. ***However this now had to be reviewed following the news relating to both the roof & the foundations. It was agreed that this review had to finally agree the way ahead to allow action to be implemented.***

The Secretary reported that following R.K,s suggestion that Messrs Glasdon manufactured GRP shelters, the Sec had looked at their products on-line and they seemed to fulfil the needs of a starters box but he had not gone into the cost of the products which he now undertook to do.

Trophies

S.T. said that whilst he had been clearing out the Club's office he came across various trophies which to

his knowledge had not been recently awarded. He suggested that they be displayed in a locked illuminated cupboard

G.S. proposed that some of them might be re-deployed for cruising, rather than racing, events. C/F

CRUISING CONVENOR

N.N.T.R. - The Secretary reported that he had received no briefing from the Cruising Convenor who was at the AGM for East and Central Sailing Scotland, which as treasurer of that group he felt he needed to attend..

RNLI Presentation

A.B. reported that he had been approached by the RNLI over the opportunity for that organisation to give a presentation to the Club “Over the means of calling for help” – He asked if he should pursue this offer and was subsequently advised to do so, preferably for delivery during the autumn. C/F

R.C. CLUBHOUSE

Damp Patch

Russell reported that the leak causing the damp patch had now been sealed and expected the plaster to dry out in the near future

Notwithstanding the foregoing, there were still some areas of roof tiling that required to be attended to and which he hoped would be completed before the next meeting. *Tiling complete*

R.C. PIERS AND MOORINGS

- The Secretary reported that he had received no briefing from the R.C. prior to the meeting.

Limekilns Pier

Phil reported:

Mooring Rings. Phil was now in discussion with RK over the most effective positioning of them for dinghy mooring purposes C/F

Mooring chain

Proposals to be carried forward to the AGM

Mast stowage

PW and G.S hoped to start this in the near future .C/F (Also see under G.S.’s report below)

R.C. CLUB BOATS

Boat Cover

G.S. said that he awaited the visit of the sailmakers to give him a price for the work. To date, however, they had not appeared /C.F.

Mast stowage

G.S. reported that the mast storage racks had now been manufactured and the installation now only required slabbed walk ways to complete the facility.

TREASURER

The Treasurer was not present but G. S reported that there was nothing new to report for this function.

SECRETARY

Following Last month's donation to the club the Secretary informed the meeting that he had received yet another donation (£20) from the owner of the yacht 'Samphire' (Mr E Wingfield) based in the N.E. of England, who in the covering letter states "*I received much kind help and advice whilst there (Brucehaven) from club Members.*"

Subscriptions and craning out fees.

Road Works

In their news letter the Community Council had given notice that sections of Dunfermline Road and Church Street would be closed over the Crane out weekend. The Secretary had spoken to the secretary of the Community Council who had assured him that access to North Loanhead and thereby the Club would be maintained. *GS undertook to inform the crane people (Forsythes) of the road works to ensure access.*

Membership

Moira Hoyes

Reported that to-date less than 6 people had failed to respond to the 2011 – 2012 Registration and deposits for craning in were also nearing completion, the fast approaching craning out weekend was adding alacrity to the last few non payers.

SOCIAL CONVENOR

Crane out catering arrangements

KM said that arrangements for feeding participants in the event were in hand.

Annual Dinner dance and

Kirsty said that she intended circulating a sheet at the AGM to allow people to register their intention to attend the D/D

AOCB

The Secretary raised the subject of Agenda Items for the AGM and raised both the subject of Mooring Chain (P.W.) and changes to the Racing calendar (S.T.). George Scott said that he had identified a firm who were selling chain at a very competitive rate and believed that the size and weight of the chain would probably meet the requirements likely to be adopted by Phil. George undertook to speak to Phil about the chain and *if satisfactory* to buy in a stock for purchase by members. (*The secure stowage may be a problem*)

WORK TO BE UNDERTAKEN

ACTION ITEMS	Sponsor
Place electrical socket on south façade <i>C/F July/11</i>	D.S.
CCTV coverage <i>C/F July/11</i>	R. K.
Place Steel Bench to end of pier Patio Furniture - recoat with preservative oil <i>C/F July/11</i>	P.W.
Fit North Davit with an electric motor <i>C/F July/11</i>	P.W.
Mooring arrangements for the South Pontoon effect a permanent repair <i>C/F July/11</i>	P.W./G.S.
Mast storage: This work will be undertaken at some time in the near future. <i>C/F July/11</i>	P.W./G.S.
Basement Store - Roof replace <i>C/F July/11</i>	P.W.
Decoration - resolve the problems of the damp patches (See R.K.'s Report) <i>C/F July/11</i>	R.K.
Sealing of Window frames D.S. said that he had undertaken to place mastic between the window frames and window ingoes once again when the weather improved. <i>C/F July/11</i>	D.S.
Hall Middle door retain the status quo but secure the fridge with a hasp and staple <i>C/F July/11</i>	G.S.
Lighting to the south side of the building. D.S. had decided not to replace the floodlight above the door (which tended to blind people coming up the path) but to replace that fitting with two carriage type lamps fitted to the wall on either side of the door. <i>C/F July/11</i>	D.S.

Roof R.K. noticed that some of the slates had slipped and that there was a build up of mosses and lichens on the roof. It was agreed that he should approach Colin Buchanan (Roofer) with a view to resolving these problems – Once again Russell awaited the attendance of the roofer. C/F July/11	R.K
Replacement of power plinth The new plinth was now to hand and will be fitted in the near future. C/F July/11	PW
Harbour Trusts S.T. reported that discussions at the F.Y.C.A. Meeting had also covered this topic. He reported that both the clubs at Dunbar and North Berwick had successfully formed Harbour Trusts to look after their interests, suggesting that perhaps we should attempt to do the same C/F July/11	S.T.

The meeting closed at 20 10 hours

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING IN OCTOBER DUE TO AGM BEING HELD ON THE 27TH

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 24th of **November** starting at 19:30 hours