

HENLEY ROWING CLUB

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

4th December 2000

8 p.m. AT THE BOATHOUSE

PRESENT: C. Boothroyd, P Moss, R Spatcher.

APOLOGIES: I Pankhurst, C.J. Blakeway, J Tong.

COPIES: All Committee Members; A Morris, Noticeboard .

1.0 PREVIOUS MINUTES

1.1 The Secretary apologised for not having the previous Committee meeting minutes available for approval.

2.0 SECRETARIAL

2.1 The Secretary confirmed that Steve Alvey, Caroline Hocking and Kevin Horne had been nominated for the Committee, CJ Blakeway had been re nominated for Chairman, no nominations for Secretary had been received.

2.2 The Secretary drew the Committees attention to the letter of the 23rd December received from Jack Denbin, which he considered to be unacceptable. It was agreed that the Secretary should not respond to the letter.

2.3 Baycraft

2.3.1 The letter of the 2nd December from Pat Ward regarding his purchase of The Baycraft and his wish to moor it on its existing site was discussed.

It was again noted that the possibility of finger moorings on this site could be more financially attractive.

The current preference was that the barge should be moved.

It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Pat Ward to discuss his proposals.

2.3.2 It was noted that the Baycraft Committee had not yet paid the outstanding invoice. The Secretary agreed to talk to Clive Williams the Baycraft Chairman.

2.4 The Marlow Regatta insurance matter was now closed the third party insurers settling in full both with the Club and direct with the members who had suffered loss.

2.5 New Members

2.5.1 Following discussions Miriam Batten had accepted Honorary Membership of the club.

3.0 TREASURER

- 3.1 The treasurer issued management accounts for the period ending 30th August and again highlighted the significant cost of boat repairs. It was agreed that the maintenance of equipment should be properly planned.
- 3.2 The 1999 Annual accounts had been Audited and just required signing by the Auditor for tomorrows AGM.
- 3.3 The treasurer noted that he had received an e-mail from Mike Jones regarding the monies remaining from the Audrey Hobbs bequest.

4.0 HOUSE MANAGER/OPEN EVENTS/SOCIAL:

- 4.1 The gas heaters required new fittings and with other sundry plumbing repairs costs of £400.00 where expected to be incurred.
- 4.2 Entrance hall and stairs would be redecorated over Christmas.
- 4.3 The function room had been busy in previous weeks and takings (including bar) in the order of £1500 had be achieved.
- 4.4 The changing room steps required repair.

6.0. ROWING

6.1 Wins:-

- 6.1.1 Due to flooding their had been no competition in the month.
- 6.1.2 Ryan Davies, Johnny Smith-Willis and Bronwen Steele had taken part in the Junior Trials held in Boston and all had performed well in particular Ryan.
- 6.1.3 A number of members had competed at the UK Ergo Championships with the best results coming from Johnny Smith Willis 3rd @ J16, Louisa Pickworth 5th @ J15, Ryan Davies 5th @ J15,

6.2 Equipment

- 6.2.1 Quotes where being obtained for repairs to the men's eight and boys double.
- 6.2.2 Chris Boothroyd advised that the Junior squad where significantly short of blades and that two new sets of quad blades where required to be able to boat the girls with the proper equipment. He also noted that at least two pair of sculls had gone missing.
It was agreed that the missing sets could be replaced.

6.3 Project Oarsome

- 6.3.1 The meeting with Dave Scivier and Duncan Thomas to discuss progress on Project Oarsome had still to be organised.
- 6.3.2 It was agreed to take no further action in respect of the Gillotts/UTRC ergos following receipt of the attached letter dated 9th November from Brian Armstrong.
- 6.3.3 P Moss requested a copy of the Project Oarsome agreement.

6.4 Safety

- 6.4.1 Discussion took place regarding the safety launch and the practicalities for use both above and below the bridge and in what stream conditions it should be expected to operate. In line with previous discussions it concluded that use was primarily for above the bridge and that it should be able to operate in strong stream conditions but not in flood conditions.

It was agreed to consider the purchase of a new launch perhaps in conjunction with Project Oarsome and that a trial be given to the boat currently being marketed by Simon Johnson.

7 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 7.1 The recent thefts from cars in the Club car park and equipment from the boathouse highlighted the need to review security.

MEETING CLOSED

NEXT MEETING

AGM

Main Committee Meeting

5th December 00

8th January 00

C. BOOTHROYD

HON. SECRETARY.