

## CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 25/05/2018

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Tony Mobbs, dealt with the following business:

- Noted that the May Day Bank Holiday weekend had been extremely busy at the Club with more than 1200 meals being served from Friday to Sunday.
- Noted that the membership card check carried out on Sunday 29 April had not revealed any serious issues but had given the opportunity to remind some members of the guest policy of no more than six visits a year.
- Agreed to trial the sale of sandwiches from the Bar on Sunday lunchtimes for those members who wanted a smaller lunch.
- Considered a RYA report on club membership and the future of boating; individual boat ownership is declining in favour of fractional ownership and chartering and the younger generation is more interested in instant “experiences” rather than having their own boats.
- Agreed to update the staff manual in a number of respects, including data protection.
- Noted the expenditure approved by the Board Sub Committee (BSC) in respect of safety helmets for RYA courses, emergency lighting for the Kitchen and plastic grids for the slipways to replace the rubber matting.
- Received a report on Club finances from the Treasurer and expressed some concern over staffing levels, especially in the Bar, which were impacting on profits.
- Noted progress in recruiting a new book-keeper for the Office to replace Linda Sampson who is leaving.
- Noted that the informal training being provided by the Motor Section is very popular and we may need to look for a training partner.
- Approved a new code of conduct for members on data protection (to sit alongside the new data protection policy and privacy statement) and noted the measures taken within the Office to ensure security of data.
- Noted that this is the already most successful membership year since 2012 and is expected to beat that; we now have 921 memberships representing more than 2000 members.
- Received an updated draft Health and Safety Policy; agreed that comments and updates should be sent to the General Manager and that BSC will complete the review for ratification by GC at its next meeting.
- Noted that progress has been made to avoid single-use plastic in the Bar but that further progress in this respect is needed by the Dinghy Section.
- Noted that the Club does not provide insurance for own-boat tuition; RYA instructors have RYA insurance but otherwise it is the responsibility of the boat owner.

The next General Committee meeting is on 6 July 2018 at 20:00.

David Pearce  
Hon. Secretary