

## CHICHESTER YACHT CLUB GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING 05/07/2019

The General Committee, chaired by Commodore Tony Mobbs, met on Friday 5 July and dealt with the following business:

- A presentation was given by the Commodore on the outcome of the all-sections strategy meeting held on 8 June at the Club. Section R-Cs will take the paper back to their committees for discussion.
- Philip Brown presented a paper on future governance of the Club which provoked a lively discussion, particularly around the aspects of business management responsibility and members' activities. He will produce a proposal for consideration at the next GC meeting.
- The Commodore reported that Premier Marinas have appointed a new manager for Chichester Marina whom he plans to meet shortly.
- The Commodore has sent details of the new Motor Section mobile app to QHM Portsmouth as an example of "pop-up" cruise arrangements which are impractical to pre-notify.
- Preventive maintenance expenditure on RIB Tigger had been refused by the Board Sub-Committee until comparative costings for replacement have been produced. There is a rapid decision-making procedure available in the event of RIB failure.
- General Manager Manu Jenkin was thanked for her work on the new Wheelhouse conservatory, which was now virtually complete and attracting complimentary remarks from members.
- Welcomed the outsourcing of the payroll which will provide some savings in the Office.
- Liz Adlington, Accounts Manager, and Drew Gibson, Senior Instructor, have both settled in well. Drew is taking weight off the Office by answering training queries as well as providing the extra coaching resource the Club needed. We also welcome Tara Kendall-Sykes to the position of Bar and Events Manager on a three month probationary period.
- The Club now has 1,035 members and, although recruitment has slowed, there is an upward trend in the Yacht Section and in returning members.
- Concern was expressed that some members may not be using their membership cards to enter the building or to pay for food and drinks. Card usage is the only means we have to measure attendance figures in the clubhouse.
- The rowing gig has proved to be very popular and the loan is being extended to July.
- It was noted with satisfaction that we are continuing to restrict electricity usage by a programme of replacing lighting with LED equivalents and introducing sensors in the changing rooms.
- Club policy on single-use plastics was reaffirmed – these will not be permitted unless there is no alternative.
- The Commodore will be attending a Chichester Harbour Conservancy meeting on plastics in the harbour on Tuesday 9 July.

The next General Committee meeting is on Friday 16 August 2019 at 20:00.

David Pearce  
Hon. Secretary