

STILLWATER BOATING CLUB INC

Minutes of the Annual Committee Meeting
Held Sunday 4 August 2019

Meeting declared open: 2.01 pm

PRESENT:

Attendees as per Sign In Register

APOLOGIES:

Heath Robson, Rachael Epsom, Mike Dance, Kathy & Phil Gibbs

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting have been read and accepted as a true and accurate record.

Minutes Accepted

Moved: Hilton Markwick

Seconded: Heather Mowberry

So accepted

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:

James advised the notices that have been put up worked re fishing seem to have had a good result.

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

ACCOUNTANT/TREASURER'S REPORT:

A lot of funds have been spent on upgrades to club house etc.

Trading income is a little bit down but comparative with the previous year most of the way through.

Previous year the focus was on saving, this past year we worked on upgrades, maintenance and improvement.

Wages are up on last year but we have included an honorarium and we are now staffing the kitchen ourselves instead of paying a contractor. There has also been many function and events.

Fishing runs with allocated funds for each competition so this result reflects they are running on schedule. They did donate a lot of their supplies to Bounty and they bring in a lot patronage.

Yard is running up on last year. Unfortunately there are a few bad debtors, which we are working on.

Bounty was a big event this year, which is run in memory of Christine Black. They did very well again, and raised \$7,500 which was donated to Waterwise, Coastguard and Cancer Research plus about \$2,500 raised for the Shave for Cancer event.

Additional income was received from South Pacific Studios for using our facilities.

Expenses included painting, yard maintenance, trolley's upgraded, etc. Also expenditure for consents required for pontoon. Contract cleaners were taken on this year, so not included in the wages figures as last year. Complimentaries are for people help who regularly help at events, make donations, carry out maintenance etc.

Club Assets – new items pontoons, renovations, surveying work, new fridges for kitchen, maintenance in kitchen, lights have been re-wired, new TV.

Stock on hand is a bit less now as we are managing that more strictly. Overall loss isn't great, but have achieved a lot in yard and building maintenance etc.

Memberships at end of last year were 332, 2/3 family 1/3 individual. This total membership is the highest so far.

No questions from the floor

Accountant/Treasurers Report be accepted:

Moved: Stuart Hunton
Seconded: Gareth Duncan
So accepted

Financial accounts presented and advised if anyone wants a copy of the full document there are available.

No questions from the floor

Financial Accounts be accepted:

Moved: Corinne Graydon
Seconded: Gaynor Ruka
So accepted

YARD REPORT:

Looking to extend the wharf by 12m and have some new pontoons coming in

Access to neighbouring private property has been closed off.

The Yard is getting busier now, so anyone who wants their boat out soon, needs to get in touch soon.

Questions from the floor:

Brett Anderson asked when the poles would be repaired/replaced.

Advised this will likely be done in conjunction with the wharf work

HOUSE MANAGER REPORT:

Roger thanked the Committee and Commodore for their hard work and assistance given to him. During the year we have been working on improving club behaviour, trying to create a convivial atmosphere and with such a tight community, asked if we could all work on being nice to each other when in the clubhouse.

A lot of time was spent, with great help from Michelle as Treasurer, on improving systems, processes, managing bar, the financial aspect, etc, as the club grows our obligations to governance are growing and are extremely important.

We've now brought the galley under club control by the committee which was in response to a lot of member feedback and the committee thought that was the best thing to do. Thanks acknowledged to Jess for her work previously.

No questions from the floor

COMMODORE'S REPORT:

This year been very productive with both events and work. Thanks to the Committee for their hard work as these things take up a lot of time, and thanks for volunteering to do it again. Thanks also to all the staff for their help and input

Some improvements have been made to the yard eg. extending the concrete area. The area in that corner can now accommodate 4 extra boats, so turns to \$20k/year for the club, plus haulouts etc. This also allows a space down the centre for short duration haulouts. Particular thanks go to Dave Wilks, Mick Rumsby, Shane Gibbons, Leighton, and other members on the day.

A lot of work has been done on the trolley's etc that needed work over the years, and not been done – so they should last for a lot longer now.

Inside the club – painting inside and outside, new lighting, entrance at the front door has been improved with hoardings to hide the rubbish bins etc – now have a bin for recycling oil etc. Looks a lot more appealing as you enter the club.

Completed consent process for the extension of the wharf which was a long process.

Have approached BP to try and get fuel on the wharf. The quote for that was around \$50k, which has now been shelved, but I'm quietly working through other options to see if we can get that for free.

Water available at end of dinghy shed for washing down boats, which saves people's tank water. Laid a new rope for dinghies, in an effort to get all the dinghies off the wharf. The inner berth on the wharf will now be for the trailer boats.

Firewood – non event this year, as we had so much from last year. Will do again this coming summer.

South Pacific studios have done some filming here and we have a good relationship with them. They really like Stillwater and we MAY have an ongoing arrangement with them. Have advised them they can have Monday/Tuesday for filming.

Fishing committee – worked tirelessly this year – big thanks to Corinne and her team, plus the Bounty of the Sea – massive event.

Sunday Sounds been a great event and very successful which was spearheaded by Michelle, well received by everyone, so thanks Michelle.

Thanks also to the rest of the Events Committee who have done a lot of great events for the kids.

Waterwise – we would like everyone to get involved as we need volunteers. Anyone who is interested please come and talk to the Committee.

The water bore is shared between us and the Council and was put in for the Council toilets. It goes through a filter, so is OK to drink. We have had problems with the pump tripping out so the Council / Watercare have advised they will give us a large tank to hold a supply.

We have been trying to get swap a bottle for Gas Bottles set up to supply the community, however they are not good at getting back to us.

We have been looking at building a shower between ramp and wharf.

Committee will be running sausage sizzle for most events – approached Bunnings and they have donated a BBQ to the Club.

Some repairs will be done to the grid – one pile is broken and the other is not far off. When we get the barge here for the wharf, we will do the grid with that as well – hopefully in the next 6-12 months.

Leonie Jack and Gaynor Ruka will be putting the garden in at the front entrance as soon as weather permits.

We are now members of Clubs NZ, and the info back has arrived. If you go onto their website you will see all the clubs we are affiliated with. They will also have an app that we can use.

We've been working on some ideas for interior decorating – one being a chart, fishing net for photos etc. If you have ideas on a nautical theme, please put in the suggestion box and we will try to get things done.

Questions from the floor:

Andrew Smith asked if there will be dredging done along with the extension of the wharf.

- James advised no. Will be more for maintenance and for smaller boats really.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

Majority of the existing Committee all nominated and standing again. With the exception of Craig Lowdon, who has retired as Vice Commodore. James thanked Craig for his work as Vice Commodore.

Mike Dance has been nominated as the 12th Committee Member.

Existing Committee including Mike Dance be voted in by show of hands

Moved: James Pemberton

Seconded: Colin McDermott

Vote by show of hands – majority for, nobody against.

So Carried

Commodore	James Pemberton
Vice Commodore	Stu Hunton
Secretary	Karen Boyle
Treasurer	Michelle Charles
Committee	Mark Penniall
Committee	Mike Dance
Committee	Gareth Duncan
Committee	Gaynor Ruka
Committee	Roger Tweddell
Committee	Corinne Graydon
Committee	Kelly Halliburton
Committee	Malcolm King

Officers as voted are taken

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Updates to the Constitution presented on big screen. Mostly just housekeeping related.

Added the address to the heading on page 1 and changed the effective date.

Section 4 added – to reference appendices to be part of the Constitution.

Throughout Document - wording change – ‘entrance’ fee changed to ‘nomination’ fee

Section 9 – in the past an Honorary Life Membership was given to an individual, but generally there is a spouse behind the scenes who it should extend to as well.

Section 10 - wording was not very specific, so now clarifies the conditions.

Section 13 - removed the ‘12 months’ wording

Section 14 – specific terms added re payment of nomination fee for returning members and/or dependent family members turning 18 years of age.

Section 16 – changes and clarification to sub-committees and Fishing was added as it has become such a big part it should take on it's own sub-committee.

16 e) – expands on 16 d).

Questions from the floor:

Question from Megan Darby – suggested 16 e) should also include family members.

James advised this will be added

Brett Anderson – asked for clarification on Section 14 that when a member re-joins within 24 months don't have to pay a nomination fee.

James clarified.

Mark Lyes – asked what the class the family members becomes when a Dependent turns 18 and gets their own individual or associate membership.

James advised this will still be a family membership if still includes 2 adult members.

No other questions.

Motion to accept the Constitution changes including Megan's update

Moved: James Pemberton

Seconded: Russell Jones

Vote by show of hands, majority for, nobody against

So Carried

General Questions from the floor:

Ian Hall asked if the images on the security cameras has been sorted out.

James advised further investigation found unfortunately it is as it is.

Andrew Smith asked if it's worth looking at the cost of improving the clarity.

James/Michelle, advised the existing equipment is quite old so it would need a whole new system.

James also reminded members there is public access available as well, so our cameras assist, but onus also needs to be on the boat owners, members, etc.

Roger explained we could look into this, but could end up being expensive.

Put to the floor to investigate further options

Moved: Andrew Smith

Seconded: Peter Rynne

Vote by show of hands – majority for, nobody against.

So Carried

Michelle spoke about the deck extensions. This has become a case of finances, but it will be only a desk extension/viewing platform. Advised that the smoking area was opened up as any weather protective screen is deemed to be down either way, so had to be removed.

Brett Anderson asked if the deck has to be built by qualified builders, could it be done by volunteer club members.

James advised when we get to that point, we will certainly be looking at the legislation that relates to that.

James updated everyone re the defibrillator that the when we replace those pads it costs us about \$400 each time. Just to keep members informed of the cost and the degree that the club supports the community. Battery needs to be replaced on a regular basis, but the pads are to be replaced each time.

Michelle asked all members to collect cards and stickers if they haven't already got them.

James showed lost property jewellery that has been handed in.

Nothing else from members.

Disciplinary committee:

Following people volunteered to be on the Disciplinary Committee:

Dave Wilkins

Alan Astrop

Colin McDermott

Hilton Markwick

No objections from the floor

AWARDS:

The Mike Kilmartin Fellowship Trophy was awarded to James Pemberton for continued efforts and commitment in the boat yard over the years.

Committee proposed Graham McInnes be awarded an Honorary Life Membership Award. Graham is down in the boat yard almost every day, driving tractor for launching and haul outs, lighting and keeping the club fire going, running the weekly raffles, etc, etc.

Put to the floor to award Graham with Life Membership

Moved: James Pemberton

Seconded: Malcolm King

All agreed – well accepted.

Meeting closed: 3.05 pm

Next meeting: 2 August 2020