



Flushing Sailing Club CIO Charity No. 1182993

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday 12th February 2025 at 19.00 at FSC

Present: Peter Harvey; Dave Owens; Gaye Slater; John Hicks; Rod Wooton; Teresa Spear; Izi Friend; Chris Bell; Sam Harding; Jonathan Brown; Len Cheshire

1. Apologies: Charlie Choak; David Mitchell; Derek Hill; John Fox; Dan Tregaskis; Mike Robson

2. Minutes of last meeting - follow up/actions:

- DO confirmed the Committee Boat two fire extinguishers and two CO alarms will cost £84.45. All other works have been completed with the exception of the bow roller, which is in hand, the Committee agreed to a maximum spend of £500 to complete the bow roller works.
- DO confirmed that FHM has a VHF channel is available for Club use, the channel number is TBC and will be written into the SI's.

3. Correspondence: None.

4. AGM Planning

PH confirmed the AGM will take place on Tuesday 18th March at 20.00, most documentation is now complete except for the Officers Reports, which will be needed by 25th February as three weeks' notice of the AGM is required to be given.

5. Sailing

- JH updated that he is struggling to find an easy-to-use boat tracking system, he will continue to investigate and report back.
- RW confirmed the SI's will be complete in mid-March.
- The Skippers Briefing will take place on 25th March, PH/JH/RW will liaise to compile an agenda. GS confirmed that Skipper's Declarations will be required to be submitted with certificates. DO suggested recording the Briefing and putting it on the Club Website (subject to availability of technology). GS suggested offering the first drink free to encourage attendance.

Actions: PH/JH/RW Skippers Briefing Agenda to be compiled and video recording equipment to be sourced.

6. Club Shoreside activities

DM requests to be made aware ASAP of any special sailing dates/events that require catering and/or use of the Clubhouse.

7. Finance

PH shared the Draft 2024 Accounts with the Committee, which included the spend on the Pontoon Project and Beer Store.

8. Sponsorship

- IF confirmed the next Student Night will be sponsored by Elemental.
- IF shared that St Erme Medical Centre has offered a Saturday Morning Medical Training event with advice on Boat First Aid Kits to be given at the same time, date TBC. SH reported that The Working Boat Association will also be running a Medical Training event at FSC in April.
- Ancasta has approached IF offering the Club two Trophies for 'Skipper of the Year' and 'Crew of the Year', the Committee offered thanks to Simon at Ancasta for his generosity. How these trophies will be awarded will be discussed at the Skippers Briefing.

Action: JH/RW how the Ancasta trophies will be awarded to be discussed at the Skippers Briefing.

9. Volunteers

PH reported the meeting of the Race Officers has taken place and the rota is with MR. PH stated that only Race Officers are to be in the Race Office for the start sequence and finishing of racing (3-4 persons).

10. Membership

GS was pleased to report that 181 payments (292 members) had been renewed by the end of January 2025. The Under-35 Membership is growing, and 51 Racing Skippers are currently registered. SH will encourage the Working Boat Skippers to join FSC.

11. Website and IT

GS reported that MF and Joanna Walpole will meet to update the website. New software is needed to manipulate the membership data, JB will assist and the spend was approved by the Committee. JB will also set up a shared drive for appropriate documents to be made available to the officers who need access.

Action: JB to set up new shared drive.

12. Projects

- DO reported the sound proofing work is now complete and noise levels have improved.
- DO updated on the Pontoon Project – the MMO have now sent their recommendations to Natural England.
- CB will look into Storm Damage Grants available to repair the current pontoon.

Action: CB to look into Storm Damage Grants available to repair the current pontoon.

13. Newsletter

GS will give notice of the AGM and the Skippers Briefing free first drink will be advertised in the Mainsheet. The RNLI Day raised £172; an article will be published this month.

14. PoFSA

GS reported the Notice of Race is now on the website, the deposit has been paid for the mark set bots and online entry will be available soon. The Commodores meeting will be on Monday 17th February.

15. AOB

- PH requests a reminder of GDPR and Data Protection rules be made available to all Club Officers.
- SH offered his time and electrical expertise to anyone who may require assistance.
- PH advised an application for funding to replace the Bot has been submitted.

Actions: PH - GDPR and Data Protection rules to be sent to all Officers.

Date of next meetings: AGM - Tuesday 18th March 2025 at 20.00
Management Committee - Wednesday 19th March 2025 at 19:00