



## **Moody Owners Association (East Coast Branch)**

### **Minutes of the 2018 A.G.M**

Held at the Bull Great Totham on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at 14.45 and attended by 46 officers and members.

#### **1: Apologies for Absence.**

The Branch Secretary reported that he had received nineteen apologies and a list of names was on display at the entrance.

#### **2: Branch Captains Report.**

Mike Ballinger, the Branch Captain, gave his report and began by giving a short resume on the history of the Branch emphasising how it had grown from the 50 members of the "Orwell Branch" to approximately 250 members of the East Coast branch. He said that in his 55 years of boating on the East Coast, holding various positions from Commodore, Cruiser Class Captain and East Coast Captain he had found the Moody East Coast Branch the most friendly and encompassing group he had been associated with and had been proud to hold the position of Branch Captain.

He continued by saying the past season had been very successful with an excellent attendance at all events.

The new Season's program was now fully completed and can be found on the Web Site. There are a few new venues this year, the Fitting-out lunch will be held at the Royal Corinthian Yacht Club, Burnham-on-Crouch and there would be rallies held at Bradwell-on-Sea and Ipswich. This year the Laying-up Lunch will also be held at Ipswich.

He thanked his Vice Captain, Colin Brewer the Committee along with all the of the volunteers whom organised various events and rallies during the year

Mike concluded by saying that he was standing down as Branch Captain at this meeting and thanked all the members for their support over the last three years adding that he would be continuing as Web Master, in the event of there being no successor he would be happy to liaise with the General Committee on the Branch's behalf.

There were no questions.

### **3: Treasurer's Report.**

The Branch Treasurer, Robin Harris, presented the accounts for past year (see separate document) and explained that as the branch expenditure had been somewhat modest in 2016, £400 had been deducted by the General Committee from our subvention for 2017. In other words we hadn't spent enough!

He continued saying that, as is usual, the two events that saw the biggest outlay were the A.

AGM and Laying-up lunch. The remainder of the events, although of a more modest cost, were at a similar level as previous years.

He concluded by saying that surprisingly the branch had already received its subvention for this year.

There were no questions, so Robin proposed that the accounts be accepted. This was seconded by Mike Townsend and accepted unanimously by the members present.

### **4: Presentation of Trophies.**

Although actually Item 4 on the agenda the Branch Captain, Mike Ballinger, had presented the trophies at the end of his report.

The Branch Trophy was presented to Peter and Phyl Sander for their attendance at branch events having not missed a function or rally in the last two years.

The Paddington Cup for Seamanship was presented to Mike Edwards and Dave Lewis for considerable success in racing their S31 Cirrus with the West Mersea Yacht Club.

Mike then requested the Branch Treasurer and Secretary to come forward, and to their embarrassing surprise, presented them with engraved plaques thanking them for the assistance he had received during his time as Branch Captain.

### **5: A.O.B.**

There was no additional business to discuss.

### **6: Elections of Officers.**

The Secretary announced that Mike Ballinger and Colin Brewer, Branch Captain and Vice Branch Captain were both standing down from these offices at this meeting after three years of sterling service. He continued saying that as there had been no nominations for the posts and they would remain vacant unless someone volunteered from the floor. No one did.

Mike Ballinger agreed that he would be pleased to continue for the year as a Liaison and Contact with the General Committee.

The Secretary announced that as there had also been a lack of volunteers for the Branch Committee he would hold a single ballot by a show of hands for all the existing members:-

Branch Treasurer, Robin Harris  
Branch Secretary, Roger Price  
Web Master, Mike Ballinger  
Committee Members:  
Linda Jessop and Adrian Oliver, Colin Brewer

All were elected unanimously.

The meeting ended at 15.25

Roger Price, Branch Secretary.