

Moody Owners Association - South West

AGM Minutes

2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 23, 2021

Virtual Meeting via ZOOM

Meeting was opened by the South West Captain – Neil Ewins

Neil began the meeting by welcoming everyone. There were 23 Zoom windows open for the meeting.

Apologies have been received from

Phil & Sarah Todd
Andy & Amy Fairbanks
Nigel Kenworthy
Tony & Angela Duckworth
Geoff & Wendy Trebilcock
Barry and Val Edgington
Ian & Lyn Anthoney

John & Jill Bray
Ian & Barbra Petty
William Shimell
David & Laycock
Dr Roy Broad
Deny's & Rebecca
Daric Jarvis

The SW Vice Captain then ran through the protocols and etiquette when using ZOOM

Approval of the Minutes of the 2020 AGM

The previous 2020 AGM minutes are available online.

Neil asked for them to be approved as correct by the attendees typing in approved or not approved via the **Chat** icon in ZOOM.

- Proposer: Paul Kennedy
- Seconder: Eric Lowe
- Accepted: no objections were raised

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising via correspondence.

Richard Thomas – mentioned two things;

His boat is in Weymouth and he volunteered as a port officer.

He advised that for keeping in touch on the water, he uses WhatsApp and via another organisation uses Telegram which he suggested was better than WhatsApp.

ACTION: Neil will look at WhatsApp and other similar applications.

Rob discussed membership numbers. The membership has grown over the year and membership as of March 2020 was 295, which is the number used to determine the subvention. The numbers have increased since then and currently stand at 310. In addition, there are 57 secondary members who belong to other branches.

Neil Ewins – Scilly Isles – saw a Moody yacht and gave him copy of Compass magazine. This encouraged him to join!

John Oldham – mentioned that he had met a previous member who dropped out as the membership system was not confidential – reassured him that it is now that confidential.

Neil Ewins – Asked that all members please ensure that your details are up to date in the Membership System.

SW Captain's Report

Delivered by Neil Ewins with the assistance of a PowerPoint presentation slide showing a small library of Moody yacht photographs.

With no rallies last year, the committee had looked at ways of ensuring that the membership stayed connected with the branch and this resulted in the December send out of gift, help sheet and phone holder. Rob had the unenviable task of mailing out to 310 SW members!

Neil commented that the SW trophies would not be awarded this year given that there had been little organised sailing.

Neil asked for members to step forward to take the role of committee members in future years as term for current committee will run out at the end of the year.

Treasurer's report and Branch accounts

The Treasurer, John Oldham presented the report.

- Displayed 2019 & 2020 figures.
- Pantaenius backing – most appreciated.
- Slightly re-stated; subvention fund; £5.00 per member has to be used for promotion only.
- AGM 2020 under spent by £260.
- Substantial part of the 2020 subvention used for the send out of laminated card and phone holder
- Projector purchased for other meeting & future AGMs as we are increasing asked to pay for rental of such equipment.
- Balance carried forward from subvention is £391 of subvention funds and £679 of sponsorship.

Keith Bunker asked whether the £391 carried forward represented a cut back of subvention funds from last year? John that it did not as it does not include this year's subvention.

Being no further questions, John asked for a proposer to accept the accounts:

Eric Lowe proposed and Len Cheshire seconded

Program for 2021

- Neil advised that a full program under review.
- Members will be advised of events with very short notice.
- Next year's AGM Plymouth



- **Action** Neil will investigate a tour of Plymouth's naval history.
- **Action** Neil will try and arrange a trip to the Wave tank.
- **Quiz nights** – get together; bit of fun.
- **May setup** Questions & answers sessions; especially the issues that have arisen now we are out of the EU;
- **Action** All Has anyone else any ideas for future events? Please advise.
- **All** Identify other Port Captains who can help reference mooring details, restaurants, places of interest etc.
- **Peter Roberts** advised that booking marinas/pontoons etc. takes a long time. Have to book well ahead of time. And usually no deposit is required as experienced by Solent Branch
- Mary asked if we could consider rallying to Saltash Yacht Club.

Peter – volunteered for Fowey.

There being no further formal business the meeting moved onto general discussions/comments at 14:45.

General Discussion

There followed a general discussion at which members made the following comments.

- Neil thanked Tony Wildig; incredible handover; lots of information was provided, plus copious amount of whiskey.
- Tony Wildig advised he is planning a 'summer cruise'.
- Richard Thomas asked if a common format could be sought to represent items of interest such a restaurant recommendation. Mary suggested 'keep it simple. Action SW Committee members.
- More articles please, particularly for the Compass magazine.
- Neil volunteered to take photographs using his drone.
- Tony – well done Neil for your 1st year. Keep up the good work.
- Kevin advised new membership system still under development and undergoing testing.
- Brian Bourke – based in Portishead. Any activities on north shores.
- Sheila advised that Cardiff did have a meeting a few years ago. Peter Satchell, Port Officer organised previous events. Available pontoons in Mermaid Key.
- Ilfracombe? – moorings in outer harbour. Yes but have to contact the Harbour Master well in advance.
- Paul advised that he has hard copy handbooks which are now all degrading. Available from Paul – no charge but pay postage. Contact – moa.manuals@outlook.com
- Tony reminded that we lost Mark Cornish last year and was pleased to see Dee and Ieuen at the meeting

There being no further business the meeting was then formally closed at 15:38