Minutes of the East Coast Branch AGM held at the Butt and Oyster PH, Pin Mill 30th January 2011

Twenty two members present.

Apologies received from James Littlewood, Dick Holness, David and Linda Woolgar and Alison and Richard Kemp

Minutes of 2010 Approved Colin Shead
Seconded Chris Trimby

Captain's Report

We had a good year last year and the 25th Anniversary meeting was a well attended success. We had a reasonable spread of events over the year and hope that this pattern is still what members want.

The East Coast branch covers an area from Ramsgate to Berwick and now numbers 217 members – a pleasing increase as it stood at 137 when Chris took over in 2007. The membership covers the southern part of the area to the Humber quite well how can we improve our membership further North was an issue still to be addressed.

Chris thanked everyone for their support during his time as Captain and said that Colin had indicated his willingness to take over.

Robin thanked Chris for all his hard work on our behalf.

Election of Officers/Committee

Captain	Colin Shead
Treasurer	Robin Harris
Webmaster	Colin Shead
Secretary	Helen Krarup
Committee Member	Chris Hennah

Port Officers

Crouch Cluster	Jeremy Squier
Medway Cluster	Paul Goodrick #
Deben Cluster	Ken Moss
Ramsgate Port	Dick Holness
Humber	Dave Flewitt #
Orwell	Peter Wright #
Thames	Vacant

not present at the meeting

Treasurer's Report

Robin Harris presented a summary of our overall financial position which showed we remained in balance. Copies of the branch 2010 accounts are available.

Any Other Business

Colin thanked Chris and Sue (and the dog) for all their hard work on behalf of the branch.

The events programme for 2011 was presented and discussed – 10 events are proposed so far and information is available on the web site.

Ideas were requested for an additional event to celebrate the 21st anniversary of the founding of the branch. The very first meeting had been a raft of Moodys on Hamford Water and one suggestion was to repeat this. We would welcome any other suggestions.

James Littlewood will generously be donating a new trophy to the branch and we are looking for suggestions for its award.

Minutes 2011 Approved …….

Seconded …….