



Minutes of the East Coast Branch of the Moody Owners Association AGM

Held at the Bull, Great Totham, on Saturday 9th February at 15.00 and attended by 33 members and officers.

1: Apologies for Absence.

The branch secretary reported that there had been 43 apologies for absence so he did not intend to read them out but there was a list on display at the entrance.

2: Branch Captains Report.

Our 2012 programme got off to a good start on 29th January with a talk and our AGM at the Butt and Oyster. Thirty eight members listened to James Littlewood's fascinating talk about their Arctic trip.

On 15th February of a dozen or so turned out for a repeat visit to the Sticklegs Brewery followed by a curry evening.

The lunchtime 'get to know you' at the Ferryboat North Fambridge was on 11th March and produced a good turnout of 28 members and guests.

The Rochester Sweep Festival May Bank Holiday event was again based at Gillingham Marina, on the Medway. The weather was dismal and only one boat actually sailed to the rally, but several members are based there and a good crowd turned up by other means and we had an excellent evening in the restaurant overlooking the marina.

The Branch 21st Anniversary event was held at the Royal Corinthian YC at Burnham on Crouch, a fine rally (10 boats sailed there despite the poor weather in the days before) and a memorable evening over dinner with live music.

This was followed by an informal invitation to meet at St. Katharine's Dock for a few days, and three boats did indeed make that journey to London and enjoyed a burst of early summer weather, truly hot, along with a large fleet from the Branch Captain's home club.

We cancelled the barbecue rally at Osea Island on the Blackwater because of an awful weather forecast.

I don't want to name all the people involved in organizing those events in 2012 as I might miss one out, but perhaps you could show your appreciation for them all in the usual way.

Membership

At the last count (March) branch membership was roughly steady at 226. The centre of gravity is very much in the area bounded by the Crouch and the Orwell, although the area does stretch from Dover all the way to Berwick!

I am very conscious that Moody owners in our area but north of East Anglia are really out on a limb – it's a long way for us to sail up there to see them, and it's not surprising that perhaps few make it down south. It would be good to come up with some ideas to help some of those further north get more value from their membership.

Committee Changes

With Chris Hennah's election to national Commodore, I agreed to step in as acting Branch Captain, and was pleased to quickly sign up a new Branch Secretary, Roger Price, the position having been left vacant.

We had an Extraordinary General Meeting on 20th October to ratify the changes.

Members and Mailing

The spiralling cost of postage causes a real problem for any organization in keeping in touch. We do have to rely on email and the MOA website for the majority of contact with branch members. There is likely to be an email sent to each of you at least once a month this year, and I do urge you to shout at someone on the committee if you don't hear from us. Do look in your junk mail folder first though!

Accounts

The 2012 accounts for the Branch were completed and sent to the MOA Treasurer on time.

Programme for 2013

A programme of events for the Branch in 2013 has been put together and was posted to all registered members before Christmas. This was thanks to some hard work by the members of the committee.

There are 10 events on the calendar, and although it was not the case at the time of posting, all events now have a nominated organizer, and all details are loaded onto the East Coast section of the MOA website.

And finally I would like to thank committee members Robin Harris, Roger Price and Colin Shead for their commitment and hard work during 2012.

There were no questions.

3: Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer, Robin Harris, presented the accounts to the members (see separate document attached) and having explained them to the members; there being no questions he proposed that they should be adopted. Seconded by Alan Giles, they were accepted unanimously.

4: Presentation of Trophies.

The Branch Captain, Dick, said that he proposed to only present one trophy at this time, hoping to present the remainder at the Fitting-out Supper, when hopefully there would be more nominations. He then presented the award for service to the branch to Chris Hennah, who had, he said, done so much for the East Coast Branch over the last few years increasing its profile and encouraging participation by its members.

Chris thanked Dick and the members for the award also thanking the members for their support during his Captainship.

5: Election of Branch Officers/Committee.

As the Branch Captain, Dick Holness and Branch Secretary, Roger Price had only been elected at a EGM held at the Laying-up Supper and there being no additional nominations the members present elected :-

Branch Captain	Dick Holness
Branch Treasurer	Robin Harris
Branch Secretary	Roger Price
Web Master	Colin Shead

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Dick Holness disclosed that due to him having "other stuff" to do next year he would probably like to stand down at the next AGM. This was greeted with some disappointment by the members present.

The Meeting ended at 15.45.

Roger Price, Branch Secretary.

**Moody Owners Association
East Coast Branch**



**Income & Expenditure Account
for the year ended 31 December 2012**

	2012	2011
	£	£
a) Normal branch activities		
Income		
MOA subvention payments	598.00	981
(£1,017 less deduction for "excessive" bank balance at 31.12.2011)		
Total income	<u>598.00</u>	<u>981</u>
Expenditure		
Net cost of branch events:		
AGM 29 Jan	88.10	
Sticklegs Brewery visit 17 Feb	40.00	
Fambridge gathering 11 Mar	12.00	
Gillingham rally 5-7 May	45.00	
Osea Island BBQ 16 Jun	-	Cancelled
Deben meet 20-23 Jun	-	No costs
Ramsgate rally 8 July	-	Cancelled
Heybridge Basin rally 18 Aug	-	Cancelled
Burnham rally 29 Sep	46.79	
Laying up supper 22 Oct	73.00	
Medway gathering 1 Dec	62.00	
	<u>366.89</u>	351
Photo competition costs	0.00	122
Printing, stationery, postage etc.	159.00	8
E-mail service	43.17	35
Meeting & travelling costs	-	33
Engraving of trophy	-	27
Total expenditure	<u>569.06</u>	<u>576</u>
Surplus/(deficit) on normal branch activities	<u>28.94</u>	<u>405</u>
b) Branch 21st Anniversary celebrations		
Expenditure		
Entertainment aboard	34.50	
Dinner at Royal Corinthian YC	146.75	
Musical entertainment	250.00	
	<u>431.25</u>	
Surplus/(deficit) on celebrations	<u>(431.25)</u>	
Overall excess of Income over Expenditure		
Normal branch activities	28.94	405
Branch 21st Anniversary event	(431.25)	-
Sale of MOA 25th Anniversary tumblers & pennants	-	40
	<u>Deficit (402.31)</u>	<u>Surplus 445</u>
Balance sheet		
at 31 December 2012		
Current assets		
Deposits paid for 2013 events	200.00	200
Cash at bank	209.40	612
	<u>409.40</u>	<u>812</u>
Accrued expenses	-	-
	<u>409.40</u>	<u>812</u>
Reserves		
Balance at 1 January 2012	811.71	367
(Deficit)/excess of income over expenditure for 2012	(402.31)	445
Balance at 31 December 2012	<u>409.40</u>	<u>812</u>

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31.12.2012**