

ARNSIDE SAILING CLUB

COMMITTEE MEETING

MONDAY 3RD JUNE 2024

PRESENT

AS, JC,RR AP

1. Apologies

Chris Stranger, Marieanne Luking, Mary Adams, Andrew Newman, Alan Dawson

2. Conflict of interest

None

3. Minutes of last meeting

Approved

4. Membership

10 new members in past month total 108 which is 14% down on last year.

Need to fully engage and make membership worthwhile

Try out Day brought in 3 new members.

Rosemary commented that how to progress usage of membership and get access to sailing is not clear.

Done a course then what? general notion of when inexperienced sailor can come and sail. Needs looking at.

Email participants of Try out day - AS has done this

Offer mid-week session with safety boat?

ACTION – TO LOOK AT HOW WE CAN ENGAGE NEW/LESS EXPERIENCED SAILORS TO PUT THEIR NEW SKILLS INTO PRACTICE

5. Accounts

See Up date

£27,891.69 in current account.

£1000 from eola for courses

£1000 from Soul Disco

6. Health & Safety

Safety Boat Engine at Killington is 8 years old. It stopped when out in the Estuary so took the engine to Killington and the engine cut out during a lesson. Engine has been taken to repairer who could not identify the problem. Think fuel is separating when not used?

New engine costs £2000 and guaranteed for 7yrs, less with trade in.

Safety boat at Killington stopped working. Discussed swapping engines so reliable engine Suzuki is based at Killington as have busy training schedule.

AP suggested adding additive to fuel, Coast Guards have done this.

ACTION – SWAP ENGINES, PUT ADDITIVE INTO FUEL OF TOHASHU ENGINE.

JC in contact with MA to sort out DBS checks but she's been unavailable.

7. Water Sports

- **Training Programme.**

Sailing, Paddle Board and Kayaking offer courses. Paddle Board has fallen off. Uptake on sailing courses is good. Half-term take up of courses were poor. Is the length of course too long? ie 4 days too long, offer shorter courses? Less engagement with children and parents in Arnside. Need to engage with parents in school.

- **Use of Sedbergh boats - shed?**

Memorandum of understanding to be produced by Sedbergh School as to how/when we can use their boats.

May need to look at having more of our own boats at Killington?

ACTION – MONITOR USE OF BOATS/OFFER SPLIT SESSIONS ON CLUB NIGHT

- **Killington Club nights**

First night had 14 participants. Need senior club member to assist Ian.

Presently session runs 5.30pm to the end. Offer split session.

ACTION - Being actively looked into

- **Windermere Cruise 15th/16th June**

Launch at 11.00am sail to Ambleside. Leave boats overnight, then sail back.

Logistical problem is getting boats up to Windermere.

Rosemary to see if she can help with taking bags.

Needs promoting and encourage to book on eola.

Action – AS to Send out email

- **Midsummer Sunday 23rd June & BBQ**

Low tide 9.00-11.30am splash session for families on PB

Pm cruise to Holme Island and chance for less experienced sailors to go out

BBQ from 4.00pm.

Action – Jane to send out email re Family Day

- **Bursary Scheme to aid low income children**

Family complained about the cost of membership and taking part in events. We reduced their membership to £25.

2/3 families would be involved.

Bursary – Club puts £200 aside and family applies for bursary? Proof must be provided that the family is on low income.

Put cap on number of sessions, say up to 4 free sessions for children at either Killington or Arnside and provide voucher. These are for new sessions.

If we reach limit we can say Bursary scheme has run out.

This may also allow us to apply for grants

ACTION – set up Bursary scheme and let families know. Limited. First come basis.

- **Banners, signs, pictures**

AN has looked into prices for sign on dinghy park and banner on gates.

ACTION – JC to email Paul to put up Discover Sailing banner on gates once painted

- **Changing facilities**

Can access site from field from New Barns side. Farmer gains access. This may have water?

Wildlife Trust rent the woods and field from Matson Ground Trustees they might grant us access to water.

ACTION – JC to ask JJ to look at access for Fire and Water from New Barns end.

8. Club House and music programme

Rosemary knows More Music in Morecambe and Brewery Arts to approach them to look for other types of music.

- **Music co-ordinator role** – future of role still to be agreed.
- **Turnover to date**
See Report
- **Oliver Mason disco**

ACTION – AGREED TO MAKE DONATION OF £100 FROM BAR PROFITS

9. Club emails

See Report and please note and use the new .org.uk address so emails are all in one place

10. AOB

Date of next meeting

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY 7.30PM