



**DHEKELIA SERVICES SAILING CLUB
(DSSC)**



Minutes Annual General Meeting–Sunday 8th June 2014@ 16:00

Present:

Commodore:	Captain Sohayla Esmaili.(SE)
Rear Commodore Sailing:	Chris Dodds.(CD)
Treasurer:	Tricia Last. (TL)
Club Secretary:	Frank Callanan. (FC)

Apologies:

Vice Commodore:	Captain Sophie Jeffreys (SJ)
Membership Secretary:	John Turner. (JT)
Rear Commodore House:	Peter Whiting.(PW)

ITEM	RECORD OF DISCUSSION	ACTION
1	<p>Introduction by the Commodore:</p> <p>The Commodore Captain Sohayla Esmaili, introduced herself and although only recently appointed she was grateful to those members who had made her welcome to the Club and welcomed those attending. (Total 27.) A Fire and Safety briefing was given to those present.</p> <p>Two items were noted under AOB. a. Discussion on the new fees structure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">b. Replacement boats.</p>	
2	<p>Apologies for absence.</p> <p>Noted above.</p>	
3	<p>Minutes of the last meeting:</p> <p>Agreed, verbally, and certified as a true copy.</p> <p>Proposed by Robert Higham, Seconded by Rod Kershaw.</p> <p>It was noted that under Rear Commodore House's report that the steps mentioned were now not being fitted. Also, mention was made that NO ACTION had been taken under an item under AOB.</p> <p>"The August award. Long Service award for Andreas."</p> <p>The Commodore has agreed to pursue this as soon as possible,</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 40px; height: 20px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <p>SE</p>

<p>4</p>	<p>Commodore's Report:</p> <p>Thanks were expressed to Steve Kimberley in keeping the club apprised of the financial situation.</p> <p>The Commodore will be taking the next available sailing course. The Commodore also mentioned that the new Vice Commodore, Captain Sophie Jeffreys, who has recently being posted in as a medical officer to the incoming new Resident Infantry Battalion, Princess of Wales Royal Regiment (PWRR), is a keen sailor and will try to ensure that the club facilities will be well advertised and with the Commodore will be making every effort to encourage and promote as much involvement as possible from PWRR.</p>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 50px; margin-bottom: 10px;"></div> <p>SJ</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>Report from Rear Commodore Sailing:</p> <p>Rear Commodore Sailing, Chris Dodds, presented his written report, (Attachment A)</p> <p>Rear Commodore Sailing also mentioned that following the recent Executives Meeting that he had agreed to assist the Vice Commodore in compiling a comprehensive five year plan for the club.</p>	<p>CD & SJ</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Report from Rear Commodore House:</p> <p>A written report had been submitted by the retiring Rear Commodore House, and was read out, in his absence, by the Club Secretary. (Attachment B)</p>	

<p>7</p>	<p>Financial Report:</p> <p>The Club treasurer, Tricia Last, presented a written report. (Attachment C)</p> <p>The Treasurer also highlighted the Summary of Income and Expenditure 2013/14. (Attachment D) A general discussion followed as to why the profitability of the bar takings were down. One suggestion was that perhaps bar prices could be increased, as these had remained the same for the last three years, may resolve the problem.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Membership Report:</p> <p>A full list of the membership was submitted by the Membership Secretary with a comprehensive list of fees paid and fees due. (Attachment E)</p> <p>A Voting Members List as of 06/05/2014 was also submitted. (Attachment F)</p> <p>A question was raised as to the ratio of entitled to non entitled membership. The Club Secretary stated, from memory, that the ratio was of the order of 80% entitled and 20% non entitled but would confirm the figure with the Membership Secretary on his return.</p>	<div data-bbox="1273 1025 1393 1131" style="border: 1px solid black; width: 75px; height: 47px; margin: 0 auto;"></div> <p>FC & JT</p>
<p>9</p>	<div data-bbox="277 1821 1251 1912" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Fred Aylis was proposed by Nick Staunton and seconded by Chris Dodds with all those attending in favour.</p> </div>	

<The Club members were saddened to hear of the death of Colin Leigh and the Commodore agreed to write a letter of thanks to his widow, Jill, for Colin's outstanding contribution to the club over many years.>

Peter Whiting was proposed by Tricia Last and seconded by Lynn Turner,

<t would appear that Honorary Membership for Peter Whiting, for one year, had been offered/proposed by the previous Commodore but in spite of searches through previous Executive Committee minutes no such undertaking could be confirmed.!>

A lengthy discussion ensued as to the exact criteria for submitting names for Honorary Membership. The Club Secretary read from the Club Charter, Membership Types, which stated that "Honorary Membership may be conferred on an individual by the Exec Comm, USUALLY IN REWARD FOR SPECIFIC SERVICES TO THE CLUB" and whilst there was general agreement that Peter had carried out his duties as Rear Commodore House in an exemplary manner and at times had gone above and beyond the call that this in itself was not sufficient.

The proposal was put to the vote but was lost, with 5 votes for and 12 against.

The Commodore agreed to consider, and perhaps outline, the 'Specific Services' required and to ensure that the Club Charter would reflect this in the future



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Election of Officers:

The following were willing to stand for re-election.

Chief Instructor: **Chris Dodds.** Proposed; Steve Kimberley. Seconded; Rod Kershaw.

Training Master Sail: **Irish Burt.** Proposed; Sally Higham. Seconded; Tim May.

Training Master Power: **Robert Higham.** Proposed; Chris Dodds.. Seconded; Nick Staunton.

Sailing Secretary: **Tim May.** Proposed; Nick Staunton. Seconded; Rod Kershaw .

Safety Boat Officer: **Jeff Owen.** Proposed; Steve Kimberley. Seconded; Nick Staunton.

Property Officer: **John Turner.** Proposed; Chris Dodds. Seconded; Steve Kimberley.

Assistant Bosun: **Alan Tite.** Proposed; Iris Burt. Seconded; Nick Staunton.

All were duly proposed, seconded and elected.

The following posts are vacant with the following nominees.

Rear Commodore House: **Robert Higham.** Proposed; Peter Toumazi.. Seconded; Peter Hillyard.

Bosun: **Peter Toumazi.** Proposed; Robert Higham. Seconded; Sally Higham.

House Officer: **Lynn Turner.** Proposed; Tricia Last. Seconded; Peter Hillyard.

Bar Officer: **Jenny Toumazi.** Proposed; Peter Hillyardt. Seconded; Robert Higham.

Health & Safety Officer: **Nick Staunton.** Proposed; Chris Dodds Seconded; Tricia Last.

Assistant Treasurer: **Lynn Turner.** Proposed; John Turner. Seconded; Tricia Last.

Publicity Officer: **Sophie Jeffreys.** Proposed; Frank Callanan. Seconded; Commodore.

Entertainment Officer: **Sally Higham.** Proposed; Iris Burt. Seconded; Rod Kershaw.

Asst. Safety Boat Officer: **Rod Kershaw.** Proposed; Chris Dodds. Seconded; Tricia Last.

All were duly proposed, seconded and elected.

It was decided not to appoint a Shop Officer as it was felt that any merchandise that was required could be purchased on a 'one off' basis.

Adoption of Amended Charter:

The amended charter was discussed AT LENGTH and the various name changes were readily accepted and agreed.

The suggested addition under General Section 8. Membership Types. of

Associate Membership :Applicable to spouses of individual non-entitled members, and other non-entitled members who do not sail. Sailing not included.

was discussed at some length and as this addition could cause some abuse of the facilities it was decided not to add it to the Charter.

A further suggested addition under Membership, of: *Veteran Membership: Veteran membership enables persons to be classified as Entitled after obtaining their Veterans Pass from the Station and which must be shown to the Membership Secretary.*

This was readily accepted and agreed that it should be added to the charter.

Section 8. Membership Types, remains:

"There shall be 6 types of membership, which are as follows:"

An addition of 'and class captains', under section 17, last sentence, Now to read

"Individual instructors and class captains may be invited to attend the Sailing and Training Sub-Committee on routine or ad hoc basis."

This was also accepted and agreed.

An amendment to Annex C Duties of Club Officers, section 6. Sailing Secretary.

Now to read: "Sailing Secretary. In the absence of both the Rear Commodore Sailing and the Principal then the Sailing Secretary will deputise when necessary. He/She is responsible to the Rear Commodore Sailing (or in his absence to the Commodore) for the following:"

This was accepted and agreed.

Also in Annex C Duties of Club Officers section 9 Safety Boat Officer, para f.

Now to read

"f. The Safety Boat Officer is to manage **and account for** the Safety Boat Float."
This was accepted and agreed.

Annex D. Sailing and Training Sub-committee. 2., Terms of reference, "f.

Where a matter requires urgent action the Sailing and Training Sub-Committee shall be authorised to spend up to €500 after consultation between two Club

Executives."

After discussion It was decided that it should be retained.

AOB:

New fees structure. (Attachment G) refers. It was generally agreed that the fees were in fact quite cheap and therefore acceptable. A discussion ensued as to the status of 'visitors' and it was decided to immediately return to using a visitors book. This should be sensibly and ACTIVELY used and to allow up to 6 visits a year and thereafter the individual(s) concerned would be invited to join the club when appropriate vacancies occurred.

Replacement boats. A lively discussion ensued and some concerns were raised about the condition of some of the club fleet. The Commodore mentioned that the new Vice Commodore had, in association with Rear Commodore Sailing, agreed to draw up a 5 year plan to cover ALL aspects of dingy repairs, refurbishments and replacement. It was agreed that this item should be referred back to the Executive Committee.

The Commodore chose the winner in the caption competition and presented Sally Higham with a prize, of a little 'ship in a bottle'.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 17.33.