MINUTES OF OLYMPIC AGM HELD ON 4 MARCH 2017

Present: Clive & Di James, David & Hazel Atlass, Dave Brough, David & Patricia Fisher, Dave Kee, Jean & Tony Martin, Jeanne Constable and Mandy & Richard Bosworth Jones.

Apologies for absence: Gordon Cooper, Janet Faulkner and Phil Broughton.

1) CHAIR

It was agreed that Dave Brough should as usual chair the meeting which was the 30th since the boat sharing scheme had been started.

DB gave an update on Phil after his operation and the meeting agreed to send best wishes for the speediest possible recovery. **Action: DB.**

3) PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN 2016

It was noted that the main problems in 2016 had been the major breakdown of the boat experienced on one of David and Hazel's trips and the poor state of the batteries but that both issues had been satisfactorily resolved.

DK reported that CRT had again accepted that we could continue to moor at Red Bull but that this had now been designated as a home mooring rather than the boat's previous status as a continuous cruiser. This had the potential advantage that we would probably experience fewer complaints about over-staying on other moorings. We had paid £700 for four months but there was a danger that we might now be billed for the whole year at a total cost of £1900. It was agreed that we wished to continue with our usual pattern of taking the boat to different parts of the canal system and that we should resist as far as reasonably possible any attempt to charge for the whole year. If that did happen members should be consulted on options including the possibility of alternative moorings. **Action: DK**

4) 2016 FINANCES

In PB's absence CJ explained the factors affecting the outturn for 2016 and highlighted the following:

- There was a surplus of £1404.71 compared to a budget projection of £2.00 and this had arisen because of an underspend on maintenance of £950.11 together with an increase in income.
- Savings on maintenance had arisen because of jobs not done.
- The budget for emergencies and unplanned work had been exceeded.
- Income was up because of an increase in days used from 43 to 57 as compared to 2015 plus extra numbers of non-participant days.

- The income analysis showed that the trip and daily charges were not meeting the current costs and would need increasing for 2017.
- The floating fund for special projects now stood at £6309.40.

5) OVERALL SHAPE OF SCHEME

It was agreed that the scheme had stood the test of time and that no changes were needed.

6) PARTICIPANTS

All present were willing to continue in the scheme and no prospective new members were identified.

7) SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE

The meeting went through the list of scheduled maintenance items for 2017 which had been prepared by PB, DK and DB. The following was decided:

1. Reallocate cleaning of rain gullies to TM to link with other stern counter work (item 19)
2. Take no action on lino replacement this year (item 30)
3. Transfer proposed budget provision of £350 to repair of gas locker floor and treat this as a high priority(item 57)
4. Delete repair of grill igniter (item 40)

With these amendments all maintenance proposals were agreed with the allocation of tasks as shown. It was also agreed to have one working weekend on **25/26 March**. **ACTION: Those allocated jobs.**

8) 2017 FINANCES

After discussion the following was agreed:

- Increase trip charge from £20 to £25
- Increase daily charges of £20 and £25 to £25 and £30 respectively
- Leave share price at the present level of £430 and make a special call for funds if any major expenditure is needed.

9) CRUISING AREAS

There was a discussion about cruising areas and the following was agreed

- 2017 – North of Worcester, South of Fazeley, West of Braunston (not Birmingham Canal Navigations or southern Oxford)
- 2018 – London area.

10) DOCUMENTS

The contact list was circulated and DF made one amendment by the addition of his mobile number of 07501 466 858. **Action: PB.**

It was agreed that the boat manual needed pruning. **Action: GRB.**

11) APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

The officers were thanked for their work and re-appointed as follows:

Treasurer – Di
Deputy Treasurer – Phil
Secretary – Phil
Compliance Officer – David A
Boat location recorder – Jean

12) ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None

13) THANKS

Thanks were recorded to Jeanne and Dave for dinner and the use of their house and to DB for chairing the meeting.