

MINUTES OF OLYMPIC AGM HELD ON 25 FEBUARY 2022

Present: Clive & Di James, David & Hazel Atlass, Dave Brough, David & Patricia Fisher, Dave Kee, Janet Faulkner, Jean & Tony Martin (via Zoom), Jeanne Constable, Phil Broughton and Sue Brohi.

1) WELCOME

Dave B opened the meeting and welcomed everybody to the meeting which was the 36th AGM since the boat sharing scheme had been started. On behalf of all present he wished Tony a speedy recovery from his bout of Covid.

2) ANY ISSUES ARISING IN 2022

Dave K highlighted the following operational changes:

- The new water gauge needs to be re-set after the filling of the tank. **Action: All.** (Note: a reminder device is included on the jobs list).
- Hot water is now provided by the engine and a diesel heater installed under the boards over the engine. The tank in the airing cupboard has become redundant and he has installed a blower to provide a replacement source of heat. It is located on the floor and under no circumstances should luggage, storage boxes or other materials be placed on top. **Action: All to note.** It was agreed to add the provision of a protective wooden frame to the jobs list together with a surround for the header tank.
- It is essential for a quantity of diesel treatment additive to be poured into the fuel tank after filling. **Action: All.** (Note: a reminder device is included in the jobs list)

3) 2022 FINANCES

Phil explained the financial outturn for 2022 and highlighted the following issues:

- We had budgeted for a loss of £417.00 but this had come in at £1,057.76 with the result that the bank account was potentially in the red if £900 owed to DK is paid.
- Share income was down because John and Katie Derbyshire had not paid.
- Income from non-participants was £150 less than the budget.
- The amount from daily charges was £318.55 better than the budget.
- Spending on diesel and gas balanced out but would need to be kept under review following the change in the heating system.
- Expenditure on occasional moorings was nil with a saving on the budget of £700.
- Emergencies and unplanned budgets were £467.75 over the estimate because of the items arising from the gas inspection, replacement of the starter battery and problems with the alternator.

Dave K and Phil explained that it had been thought that the starting difficulties were being caused by the original alternator but this turned out not to be true after testing by a specialist company. Problems over the Christmas trip had been caused by a fault in the spare alternator which had led to the purchase of a new one at a cost of £419.83. If the spare can be repaired the new one can be returned with a minor cost for postage. It was agreed to leave a final decision on this to the experts. **Action: Phil/Dave K.**

4) OVERALL SHAPE OF SCHEME

No changes to the scheme were needed.

5) PARTICIPANTS

It was agreed to assume that John and Katie Derbyshire were no longer members but Dave B reported that Annie Connell had indicated that she would be willing to become a member. This was welcomed and agreed. Note: Annie's details are 4 High Elms Cottages, Woodside Road, Abbots Langley, Herts WD25 0LA. Home telephone: 01923 672990. Mobile: 07973 345338. Email: Annie.Connell@lendscape.com

6) SCHEDULED MAINTENANCE

The meeting considered the list of scheduled maintenance items for 2023 and the following issues were highlighted:

- 26. Shower pump and drain – TM to work with DB on leaks.
- 38. Taps in rear loo – delete as job completed.
- 48. Gas cooker – agreed to replace with a new version of the current model and increase the budget provision to £600. New cooker to be delivered to Phil's.
- 52. Gang plank – agreed in principle but subject to circulation of the proposed model for comment and confirmation. **Action: Patricia/David A.**
- 53. Repaint front loo – agreed to include at an estimated cost of £50.
- 54. Water leak in shower drain – delete as covered by item 26.
- 55. Curtains – Sue was thanked for her paper and it was agreed to proceed with relining with a budget of £200 but subject to a check on costings by Jean M. **Action: Sue to coordinate with help from Di, Jean and maybe Doreen.**
- Boiler cupboard woodwork - as in minute 2 above and with a budget of £25. **Action: Clive.**

Following a consultation prior to the meeting on availability it was agreed to hold the working weekend on **17-19 March** with anybody who is not available completing any jobs in their own time. **Action: All those who have jobs**

7) 2023 FINANCES

It was noted that the inclusion of all the above jobs would cost £1785 which could be funded without any difficulties. In the absence of definite information about the Canal & River Trust's proposals on licence fees it was agreed to increase the budget by 10%. Taking all the various factors into account there would be a £1472 surplus at the end of the year. The budget was agreed with the following key points:

- Share prices to remain at £500 a year.
- Payments to be made into the account as soon as possible. **Action: All.**
- All charges to remain as at present.

8) CRUISING AREAS

It was noted that the 2021 AGM had agreed the Kennet and Avon Canal for 2022 but this had not been proceeded with because of concerns about places to moor. This continued to be the case and it was agreed to select the South-West for 2023:

Southern Staffs & Worcester, North & South Stratford, Worcester & Birmingham, River Severn, Droitwich Canals and linking parts of the Birmingham canals.

Members were reminded to send any bids for dates to Jean jean.martin05@outlook.com

9) DOCUMENTATION

There was no discussion about the checklist but this may need amending in the light of the items highlighted by Dave K in minute 2 above. **Action: Dave K.**

10) APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

The officers were thanked once again for their work over many years and re-appointed as follows:

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