

HISTORIC NARROW BOAT CLUB
Minutes of the Committee Meeting held at 10:00 am Saturday 2 March 2019
At Whittington Village Hall, Langton Crescent, Whittington, nr Lichfield, Staffordshire,
WS14 9LR

PRESENT: Phil Prettyman, Ros Prettyman, Clair Butler, Sue Cawson, Sarah Levick Kathryn Dodington, Mike Harrison, Nick Grundy, David Lowe, Iain MacTavish, Norman Mitchell, Val Roberts, Rupert Smedley, Laura Sturrock. David Daines, Bernard Hales and Penny Ross

1. **APOLOGIES:** Apologies had been received from Richard Booth, Paul Hunter, Ian McCarthy, Michael Pinnock, Alison Smedley, Amy-Alys Tillson, James Tidy and Sarah Edgson

2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Saturday 12 January 2019 were accepted as a correct record of the meeting.

3. AGM 2019

1. Nominations were confirmed however Phil pointed out that whilst he was willing to stand, he was not keen for it to be for three years.
2. Paul Hunter advised that he was unable to attend due to a rail accident; David Daines kindly agreed to present the Keay and Hemelryk awards.
3. Agreed that Laura would present the increase in membership fees motion. Motion to increase membership fees to £18 and £22 needs careful presenting. New fees to start January 2020. Membership fee needs to provide for sustainable club.
4. Agreed that Laura would take the chair of the AGM when it came time for the election of the chairman. Nick, Penny and Mike agreed to man the door and David D and Rupert would act as tellers if required.
5. There was a short discussion as to the 'order of running'.
6. There was a discussion about the awards.

Action: Kathryn to write to Jason Gallop to commend him on his work on *Bargus*.

Action: Ros/Kathryn to ensure Awards is on the agenda for the next committee meeting and to include a suggestion that there should be an additional award – Lifetime Achievement Award – for further discussion.

Action Amy-Alys / James to pass any press release about the Awards through Phil before releasing to the press – it was thought there should not be anything mentioned about the highly commended for *Bargus*.

4. SPEAKER FOR AUTUMN EVENT:

We require a speaker for the autumn event as Tam and Di Murrell have declined

5. ACTION POINTS

1. All urgent action points had been addressed.
2. Hurlston Lock was discussed
3. Agreed Penny to purchase a new printer at approximately £180
4. Val advised that postage is going up by £0.03p per stamp in April which is a £0.06p increase for each Newsletter. It was agreed that Val should purchase stamps to cover the next two issues of the newsletter.
Action: Val to investigate reducing the weight of the magazine to get it inside the 2nd class limits and to produce a sample, if possible, for the next committee meeting.

6. HEBDEN BRIDGE

1. Agreed to purchase 40 plaques at approximately £5 each.

Action: Mike to e-mail participants to see if they would like a plaque

Action: Kathryn to contact Peel Ports about using the Bridgewater free of charge both ways due to the ongoing closure of Marple

7. REPORTS

1. Chair – nothing to report
2. Secretary – as per report submitted.
3. Treasurer – nothing to report
4. Archivist – nothing to report.
5. Newsletter – next issue deadline date is 16 April.
6. Shop – nothing further to report – only three online sales since last committee meeting
7. Navigation – nothing to report.
8. Press – nothing to report
9. IWA – Nothing to report

8. AOB

There was no AOB not covered in the minutes

Next Meeting: Saturday 15 June at 11:00 at Alvecote – booking pencilled in

The meeting closed at 13:00

Phil Prettyman
Chairman