

Minutes of Port Edgar Yacht Club Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday 22 February 2023

Present

Charlie Simpson, Linda Cooper, Martin Crook, Jim Scott, Anne Hay, Richard Heaton, David Kitchen, Justin Venton, Barrie Turnbull, Margaret Tait, Paul Morgan, Gerry Fitzgerald, Ramsay Leuchars, Gordon Campion, Geoff Bowerman, Conall Bryce, Alan Pringle, Maggie Quayle, Sandra Morrison, Cath Coombs, Craig Shirlaw, Charlton Clark, Kevin McKay, Dale Sandercock, Daniel Forrester, Janice Handley, Lynsey Watson, Jim Watson, Nikos Vervelakis, Steve Thomson, Ian Hards, Nicola Stock, Pete Sykes, Ollie Ludlow.

Apologies

Judith Bull, Bill Blyth, Jock Blair, Neil MacDougall, Catherine and Simon Bryant

1 Commodore Charlie Simpson called the meeting to order at 7.30pm and it was established that it was quorate.

2 The **minutes from the AGM held in 2022** were proposed by Justin Venton and seconded by Paul Morgan.

A slide show (full details attached) commenced relating to items 3-10.

3 Port Edgar Yacht Club **Membership numbers** stand at 382 members as of December 2022

4 Jim Scott gave a short presentation on **Yacht and Dinghy racing events** over the last 12 months and the future season, with a brief discussion taking place about proposed guidance on wind speed limits for the daylight, twilight and night series races. Also, the New Year sail to Granton is proposed to take place on the first weekend in January.

5 Charlie Simpson gave an overview of **'Training' events** held on the water and on shore as these have become popular activities for our members.

6 Linda Cooper discussed the **Cruising events** and the new **club yacht Nimrod** in the last season and changes for the new season, as well as the club looking to achieve RYA Registration to run ICC Assessments with the assistance of Peter Strike (theory refresher sessions) and Leith Nautical (practical assessments for Certification).

7 Linda Cooper mentioned the sale of the previous Committee Boat Faithful following major problems, and the recent purchase of the new **Committee Boat Beamer**.

8 Martin Crook (Treasurer) gave an overview of **Port Edgar Yacht Club's draft accounts** which will be inspected by Rob Meredith prior to the annual submission. The acceptance of accounts was proposed by Charlie Simpson and seconded by Linda Cooper.

9 Charlie Simpson proposed an increase to all **Subscriptions**. Racing & Cruising increasing by £5, Berth Holder and Family rates increasing by £10. This was voted on and accepted by

the majority vote of those present at the AGM.

10 Election and Re-election of the Main Committee officials was proposed and accepted by the majority present.

11 Questions

Janice Handley asked about catering in the Club and was informed that there was no current intention to have a general cafe facility, but that catering will be offered on Wednesday race nights and events that have a high demand by Chris Feltham (previous owner of Ferry Tasty), although the club would explore any alternative businesses that wished to offer food services.

Dale Sandercock -The clubs new Social Secretary- highlighted the upcoming Ceilidh on 4th March with tickets still available. He also proposed having music nights in the clubhouse where everyone can join in, along similar to those run by RFYC.

Richard Heaton highlighted the upcoming Race Management Training being held on Sunday 5 March and encouraged those present to put their names forward to attend.

Charlie Simpson thanked all the members who have helped him during his tenure as Commodore and welcomed Linda Cooper as the newly elected Club Commodore.

A presentation of a bottle of Glenfiddich was given to Charlie Simpson on behalf of the club for his dedication in steering the club through very difficult times over the past 4 years as Commodore; including the building of the new clubhouse in budget, Covid lockdown and reduced membership, major club boat repairs, but eventually overseeing a marked increase in membership numbers.

The meeting closed at 9pm.