

AGM 2025 MEETING MINUTES

1. Commodore's introduction

2. Meeting Apologies:

- Pete Binns
- Malcolm and Chrissy from Shady Deal

3. Ratification of 2024 Minutes

2024 Minutes accepted by Fred and John as seconder

4. Finance Report

- There has been 1 change in the last year. We have moved from Lloyds to Metro. The reasoning for this was that Lloyds was charging for transactions. Metro did not have a monthly charge and allowed for a greater number of transactions to be carried out. However, Metro have now introduced a monthly charge but this is less than Lloyds.
- Club finances are healthy c.£18k
- £10k in reserves
- Membership is down. We have 5 honorary members and 1 associate member. We are down to 58 boats
- The main reasons given for the declining numbers from leaving members state the EA and selling their boats as main reasons.
- Raffles have been one of the main sources of income making £250+ Thanks given to **Helen and John Raper**
- **Nigel** is happy to continue in his role but will need an auditor in the future
- **Trevor** gave thanks for **Nigel**
- The banking is now deemed to have greater transparency but that the BACS system is still in place.
- **Alan Hill** makes a query about Apple Pay and it is mentioned that in the future it will be helpful if names or boat names were given on the transaction
- Idea put forward to make it compulsory to fill in a name box on transactions.
- Final congratulations given to **Nigel** for a successful first year in post.

5. Commodore's Review

- Worried about membership, exacerbated by a 1/3 of memberships vanishing.
- Wants to find other ways of getting people involved with the club
- Mentioned that it has been a hard boating season for all citing weather, service providers such as the EA, and personal circumstances.
- Mentioned that water points have been vandalised but that the good news was that the one in Grafton is now up and running.
- Stated that he will be attending the RUGs (River Users Group) on the 1ST October to discuss: Toilets, Restrictions, the taking of the moorings at Iffley with no intention of them being used again.

- Mentions wanting to bring back things that were lost due to flooding such as activities during the winter season.
- There have been 3-4 Winter Talks booked
- **Ken** also wants there to be a website tutorial course set up on how to navigate the website.
- **Ken** is seriously worried about crane out next year
- **Anthony Day** in charge of crane out on the day but a crane out organiser is desperately needed for next year
- **Vice-Commodore and an Auditor needed**
- Thanks given to **Tracy Day** for becoming Events Organiser
- Plea made for more people to join the committee
- Discussion of more venues: The Ferryman at Bablock Hythe and The New Inn at Lechlade seem to be both keen to host us.
- Ferryman there is no guarantee of moorings but marquees can be placed outside
- New Inn there are moorings and letting rooms.
- We still aim to use The Trout
- **Alan Day** mentions that the new owner of the Swan Radcot may be keen for us to use the field again as in days past.
- Discussion of events
- Fun weeked was brilliant. Thanks given to **Fred** for collecting the marquee to give **Alan Hill** a rest.
- All events have been enjoyable
- Thanks given to **Helen and John Raper** for the quiz
- Congratulations given to **Fred and Pat**, and **Alan and Jill** for their prowess at Aunt Sally and the Swanlympics
- Thanks given to **Sarah** for sorting out the 40th Birthday party
- 1st Aid course to come waiting for details from **Sarah**
- **Ken** attended the spreading of **Brian's** ashes
- Thanks given to all, it has been a fair year
- Mooring above Osney to be reinstated
- 15 new lockkeepers have been recruited.