

## MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 17 OCTOBER, 2012

**With the permission of the Commodore and Members  
IN WINDSOR YACHT CLUB  
COMMENCING AT 2005**

### **PRESENT:**

#### **OFFICERS**

|                  |    |                                              |
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| Michael Shefras  | MS | Chair                                        |
| Jeremy Schomberg | JS | Honorary Secretary                           |
| Andy Soper       |    | Honorary Treasurer – <b>Apologies</b>        |
| Mike Chambers    | MC | Vice Chair – Training Officer                |
| Gaby Chambers    | GC | Vice Chair – Club Communications             |
| Pete Hasler      | PH | Honorary Auditor                             |
| David Jones      | DJ | Vice Chair – PLA and EA                      |
| Warwick Morgan   |    | Vice Chair – Commercial – <b>Apologies</b>   |
| Terry Sharpe     | TS | ATYC Web Page controller                     |
| Bob Smith        |    | Vice Chair - <b>Apologies</b>                |
| Chris Turner     | CT | Vice President – Thames Scouts - Chair RUG 7 |

#### **CLUB REPRESENTATIVES**

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| Philip and Pamela Chart  | PC | Richmond Yacht Club              |
| Alan Hill                | AH | Swan Radcot                      |
| Dennis Hill              | DH | Swan Radcot                      |
| Martin Powell            |    | Penton Hook - <b>Apologies</b>   |
| Alan Woolford            | AW | Chair RYA Thames & London Region |
| Louis Jankel             |    | NABO - <b>Apologies</b>          |
| Chris Knight             | CK | WMC                              |
| Nigel Fentiman           | NF | IYFR                             |
| Chris and Susan Levendon | CL | TYC                              |
| Philip Whitehead         | PW | AMYC                             |
| Paul Lonsdale            | PL | BCC                              |
| Marian Lonsdale          | ML | BCC / TSCC                       |
| Elsie and Brian Walker   |    | MTYC - <b>Apologies</b>          |

### **1. CHAIR'S OPENING STATEMENT – MICHAEL SHEFRAS**

- 1.1 **MS** welcomed all present to the meeting advising that he had delayed the start for five minutes due to the heavy traffic on the motor way because of the heavy rain and road closures.

- 1.2 He had to say that he was slightly disappointed with the low attendance with only 11 clubs represented and we serve 26 clubs above Teddington and more on the Tideway. He was aware that several clubs not in attendance had attended the RYA Thames & London Region meeting the previous evening..
- 1.2.1 The ATYC by default represents all the motor boat clubs on the River Thames and by inference all the approximately 8,000 motor boaters to those who manage our boating facilities and by attending the meetings representatives are able to see what is done on their behalf.
- 1.2.2 For example he believed that presentations further down the agenda will give testament to the huge amount of political activity taking place on the river and as a small example up to the end of November he will be attending seven meetings on the club's behalf!
- 1.3 The "Monthly Notice Board" indicated how we are trying to get more involvement locally in each section of the river so that clubs will have a direct conduit to the association and more of that later in the Agenda.

**2 APOLOGIES** – As indicate in table above.

**3. CONFIRM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

- 3.1 **MS** advised that there were now three sets of minutes on the ATYC Web page covering the March and June meetings and the AGM. We will leave just the last two sets on the page, leaving the AGM minutes until the next AGM..
- 3.2 The March meetings had been amended to be cognisant of Chris Knight's complaint of omission and this had been also covered in the June minutes.
- 3.3 As the June minutes had only recently been put on the web page it would not be correct to ask permission to sign these off as a true record so he is suggesting to the meeting that two weeks from the date of this meeting if he had not heard to the contrary these minutes would be signed off as a true record.
- 3.4 He 'put his hands up' apologising for the way the minutes of the General Meetings had been promulgated in the past and it his intention to have the minutes of each meeting published within ten working days of the meetings.
- 3.5 Chris Knight asked for the spelling of his surname includes the initial K and this was noted. He also suggested that the minutes were mute on his request as to how members should make their complaint about the accuracy of the minutes but he was

now comfortable from the answer that MS had just given and he was comfortable in the way the minute had been amended.

- 3.6 **MS** also advised that Jeremy Schomberg would come forward, subject to election at the AGM 2013, taking Warwick Morgan's portfolio which was the Commercial and Sponsorship but would also take responsibility for the organisation of the Rally and Annual Dance after the 2013 Ball.

- 3.7 That will require ATYC finding a competent minute secretary as other membership matters are now handled by Gaby who looks after the e-mail and address lists.

- 3.8 **The meeting was comfortable with these explanations.**

#### **4. TREASURERS REPORT – ANDY SOPER – (Given by JS in AS absence)**

- 4.1 **AS** had advised that the ATYC Bank Balance was a comfortable £14,719. With £1,000 already paid in advance to the [Crowne Plaza, Marlow](#) for the 2013 dinner.

- 4.2 **AS** was also happy with Warwick's budget for the dinner dance

- 4.2 Details of the Rally finances would be given by **JS** at the appropriate time in this meeting

#### **5. SECRETARY'S REPORT – JEREMY SCHOMBERG**

- 5.1 **JS** explained that it was a continual problem in maintaining the e-mail and club contact. He again requested that full contact details are e-mailed to both him and Gaby so that we can maintain contact as club officer's change annually.

- 5.2 Whilst at the AGM this year we did amend several of the rules we are in the process of bringing the entire set of rules up to date using simple English and this would be presented to the membership in good time for acceptance at the 2013 AGM.

- 5.2.1 **PH** requested that the changes agreed at the 2012 meeting be promulgated on the ATYC page and he would work with **JS** to give the appropriate copy to Terry Sharpe to put on the page

**ACTION BY PH, JS TS – within fourteen days**

- 5.3 **JS** continued by advising that we would be asking those clubs who do not attend these meetings or take a peripheral interest in the association to invite MS and other officer to attend the club's managing committee so that at first hand Club Officers can tell the ATYC Chair and officers how they perceive the association.

## ACTION BY INDIVIDUAL CLUBS AND FOLLOW UP BY ATYC OFFICERS

### 6. ATYC RALLY – JEREMY SCHOMBERG

#### 6.1 JS reported:

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| a. | As the organising officer he believed that the event had been successful and had received very few complaints but this is the opportunity for clubs to make comment.                                                                                                                                           |
| b. | The financial outcome was good due to the income from the raffle and auction and his ability to get refunds both from Beale Park and the Toilet provider.                                                                                                                                                      |
| c. | With these actions the actual Rally showed a surplus of £888.56 which was commendable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| d. | He would like to thank his officer colleagues who took such an important part of the organisation all covering their designated responsibilities.                                                                                                                                                              |
| e. | Dave Hansell, as Commodore of Swan Radcot delivered a successful BBQ on the Saturday and Dave Biggins as Commodore of Upper Thames organised another successful function on the Sunday. Again the Saturday entertainment was covered by Stuart from Penton Hook Club and we thank all three..                  |
| f. | David James who was the entertainer on the Sunday again did well and Jeremy would reserve his service for the Sunday at the August Rally.<br><br><b>JS ACTION</b><br><br><b>PLEASE NOTE THAT DESPITE OUR EARLY ADVICE THE RALLY WILL BE IN WEST INDIA DOCK IN AUGUST AND NOT IN MAY AS ORIGINALLY ADVISED!</b> |
| g. | It is the officers' opinion that Beale Park did not come up to scratch as a venue and investigation would take place to find another venue for the upriver rally in 2014.                                                                                                                                      |
| h. | The caterer with very few complaints did a very good job but we had to discuss a further payment because she was not able to get any breakfast or lunch service having already been advised it was wanted – this was a Beale Park problem!                                                                     |

6.2 CT questioned the future use of Beale Park and was advised that it was highly unlikely because of the lack of cooperation from the Beale Park office at times which had caused both JS and MS considerable aggravation to resolve before and during the rally.

6.2.1 Whilst the 2013 Rally is now firmed at West India Dock over August Bank Holiday, and MS and JS will shortly be visiting Gareth Stephens the C & RT West India Dock manager an ongoing challenge will be to find the site for the 2014 rally upriver and discussion will continue as to the appropriate time of year.

## ACTION TO OFFICERS MEETINGS

**AT THIS STAGE MEETING MOVED TO A POWER POINT PRESENTATION BY DAVID JONES TO COVER AGENDA ITEMS 8,9,11 AND 12.**

The full presentation can be sent electronically by requesting it by e-mail to [michael@shefras.demon.co.uk](mailto:michael@shefras.demon.co.uk) or hard printed copy by post if requested to the same e-mail indicating the address to which the presentation should be posted.

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| SLIDE No. | HEADLINE CONTENT                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |    |                                                                                                                |
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| 1.        | Title page – note incorrect month shown on slide – should be October not September it has been amended.                                                                                                                                                                                                               |    |                                                                                                                |
| 2.        | <b>Comment on Queen's Jubilee and Olympics</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |    |                                                                                                                |
| 3         | <b>Representation at 4 separate sets of meetings in the City and at Gravesend with two meetings for each (ie 8 meetings a year at least)</b> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>a.</td><td>Chris Turner commented that PLA also had other public meetings that in the past he and Michael S had attended.</td></tr> </table> | a. | Chris Turner commented that PLA also had other public meetings that in the past he and Michael S had attended. |
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| 4         | <b>Covers the work of the Waterways Working Group to be renamed TNUF (Thames Navigation Users Forum)</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                              |    |                                                                                                                |
| 5.        | <b>ATYC representation on TNUF for the future</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |    |                                                                                                                |
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## 10 TRAINING (Inc TBC and Competition) – MIKE CHAMBERS

10.1 **MC** had circulated the Rally Competition de-brief to Officers.

10.1.1 The results were Upper Thames first: Swan Radcot second and TMYC third.

10.2 The Training Committee had met on the previous day and four suitable exercises for 2013 are out for consultation and improvement to be published before Christmas. We were moving back to four main test situations. There would be ten minutes between tests and he was grateful to his committee for taking on the work.

- 10.3 He can announce that there would be a training meeting to be held at Penton Hook on 27 January and on a date to be announced with an on the water session this year to be held at TMYC covering three of the exercises.
- 10.4 He will be talking with the Officers to develop a Fun Activity based on the rowing event he introduced at Beale this year.
- 10.5 He will now be moving to take forward the TBC activity with an Instructors Seminar.
- 10.6 In response to a question from Chris Turner **MS** advised that he had Chris's name representing the Thames Scout interested in becoming a TBC instructor and he had two names who wanted to be considered to become a RYA Inland Helmsman's Instructor. He needed four applicants and each had already hold a RYA Inland Helmsman's ticket.

### **13 CLUB MATTERS - GABY CHAMBERS**

- 13.1 **GC** advised that she had no specific items from clubs.
- 13.2 Endorsing what JS had said at the beginning, clubs or individuals should e-mail her with any changes of contact to [gabrielle.chambers@ntlworld.com](mailto:gabrielle.chambers@ntlworld.com)
- 13.3 She had in the past weeks deleted some names as suggested and will again check the list for those names who had advised that they had not received the appropriate communications. It is an ongoing problem and it is recognised that there are always a percentage of messages that appear to disappear into the ether.

### **14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- 14.1 **Chris Knight** asked for the upcoming meeting dates to be well published and MS advised that they would be appended at the bottom of these minutes and as well appear on the Monthly Notice Board.
- 14.2 Nigel Fenton requested that we asked the EA to consider some safety rails leading up to the pedestal from the lock side. As more and more it appears that there has to be some self service with some of his elderly crew are now balking to climb the steep steps without a hand rail. A good example is Old Windsor. MS would take it forward, especially as Old Windsor is scheduled to be refitted this winter.

**ACTION BY MS TO CONTACT PAUL POWER**

- 14.3 **MC** reported that there had been a fire at Penton Hook which not only wrote off the actual boat damaged the boats moored either side!
- 14.4 Building on the earlier comment on charging for moorings Alan Woolford was dismayed that having just stopped for lunch by Temple Island he was asked very promptly for £8 mooring as he moored.
- 14.4.1 It was explained that the mooring warden had the concession from Copas and HRR to collect the money. Officers who know the warden were asked to see if there could be a short term concession.

## ACTION BY OFFICERS AS NECESSARY

- 14,5 **Chris Turner** speaking as the Chair of RUG7 advised that there is a RUG7 meeting scheduled at Windsor Yacht Club on Wednesday 24 October.
- 14,6 As the meeting had come to an early closure **MS** asked if we could spend a few minutes discussing the attendance at these meetings and communication in general.

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| a. | Despite his earlier comment, he was delighted to see those attending at this meeting and thanked those present and hoped that the content had been valuable.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| b. | Given that the Agendas and Minutes are now published on the Web Page and we advised via the Monthly Notice Board what more could we do?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| c. | Should we be reminding clubs just before the meeting seeking their attendance at the meetings?                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| d. | <p>There were various comments from the floor and the representative from Albany commented that many of his members see it as TMYC organisation not representative and he would welcome a visit from the chair or other officer and would organise this.</p> <p><b>MS</b> made no apology for his membership of the TMYC but sees himself as the Chair of ATYC representing all the motor boaters on the Thames. During his time as Deputy Chair he was seeking people to represent the clubs to take possession and had been delighted to receive his TMYC colleagues taking on the work and to my mind he did not care where they come from providing they deliver the work but he had not had to turn away any volunteer!</p> |
| e. | <b>DJ</b> commented that we were aware of what appeared to be an imbalance of officers from one club but all had worked to get wider involvement from clubs                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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|    | and as already advised we were seeking representation for the Windsor to Temple area and further upriver to Osney.                                                 |
| f. | It appeared that following the meeting we might well get a volunteer for the Windsor section from Bray and another for the river between Teddington and the Tower. |

**THE MEETING CONCLUDED AT 2155 WITH HUGE THANKS TO ANDY (WINDSOR YACHT CLUB) FOR HOSTING THE MEETING.**

## **UPCOMING DATES INTO 2013**

|                |                               |                             |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 14 November    | Officers Meeting              | Venue TBC                   |
| 27 January     | Training Morning              | Penton Hook YC              |
| 20 February    | Officers Meeting              | Venue TBC                   |
| 2 March        | Annual Dinner and Dance       | Crowne Plaza Marlow         |
| 20 March       | AGM and General Meeting       | Suggested Windsor YC<br>TBC |
| ? April        | Training meeting on the Water | TMYC (or in May?)           |
| 16 May         | Officers Meeting              | TMYC – TBC                  |
| ? May          | Training meeting on the Water | TMYC (or in April)          |
| 19 June        | General Meeting               | VenueTBC                    |
| 24 July        | Officers Meeting              | Venue TBC                   |
| 23 – 26 August | ATYC Rally                    | West India Dock             |
| 25 September   | Officers Meeting              | Venue TBC                   |
| 24 October     | General Meeting               | Venue TBC                   |

Michael Shefras 1400 19 October, 2012.

To JS 1415 – Rtnd 21

To Officers: - 0800 – 221012- MC. WM. DJ. PH. amendments



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