

FELIXSTOWE MASTER MARINERS CLUB

Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

Originally scheduled for Tuesday 17th March, 2020 at the Felixstowe Ferry Sailing Club, but due to the Coronavirus pandemic it was re-scheduled and held remotely via Zoom at **1100 hrs 20th October, 2020**

1. Apologies for absence were received from Michael Graham and Adrian Scheele
The meeting was attended by 14 members of the Club
2. The minutes of the AGM held on Tuesday 19th March, 2019, having been previously circulated, were accepted and approved unanimously after being proposed by Malcom Stafford and seconded by Leonard Fenner.
 - 2.1 There were no matters arising from the minutes
3. Captain's report: Because of the Covid19 pandemic, there had been no meeting since February and Club Captain Ian Buckle thanked the Committee and everyone for their work & support during the year.
4. Staff Captain's report: None
5. Treasurer's report: Treasurer's comments on 2019 Annual Accounts and the present financial position of the FMMC:- (Malcolm read to the meeting the notes sent in by Adrian)

The Club's bank balances at 31st December 2019 were £3516.24 plus a balance of £376.10 in the Rev John Waller legacy. The club also holds an emergency savings account with a balance of £977.64

Donations to charities
The donations to each of the ten charities in December 2019 was £400

Bar & Catering Staff
At Christmas we presented the above with resp. £55 and £165

Attendance: The number of persons attending our lunches in 2019 was 565 – a decrease in numbers of 45 compared to 2018.

Raffle: The profit of the raffle in 2019 was £2220.50, with a cost of £271.00. The net increase compared to 2018 is £388.90. The average spend per person in 2019 was £3.93.

Lunches: The income for the lunches amounted to £11191.00 with a cost to the caterer of £10241.50 resulting in a profit of £949.50. This was an increase of £102.50 compared to 2018.

Membership: 101 members incl. 2 F.O.C.: Father Sam & Canon Wilson. Included in the number are 24 Captains.

Accounts: The accounts for 2019 have been examined and found to be in good order. Verified and signed copies of the club's 2018 accounts are available from:
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The Treasurer's report was accepted by the meeting unanimously, after being proposed by Nigel Palmer & seconded by Tim MacGuire.
6. Secretary's report: Letters of thanks had been received from Shipwrecked Mariners' Society and Seafarers UK for the donations of £250 sent to each in April. For the Committee's guidance, consideration needs to be given to the Club's bank account currently at HSBC Colchester in terms of signatories and perhaps moving

the account to HSBC Felixstowe. However, it was agreed to hold a Committee meeting next month when this can be discussed.

7. Dining secretary's report: The Felixstowe Ferry Sailing Club has now closed indefinitely. Bruno has retrieved and is holding the Club regalia from the Sailing Club. The Trimley Sports & Social Club are apparently open to accommodate up to 50, but this needs further investigation especially under the current Government rules and must involve the treasurer on matters of cost and prices to members.
8. Election of Officers and Committee for the forthcoming year.
The 12 existing members of the Committee retire at the AGM and are eligible for re-election. They have all indicated their willingness to stand again and as no other nominations had been received, are proposed for re-election en bloc.

The following 12 nominations plus the new Staff Captain were presented to the meeting:-

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| President | Captain David Ingham |
| Club Captain | Captain Peter King |
| Staff Captain | Captain Timothy MacGuire |
| Treasurer | Malcolm Stafford |
| Secretary | Tim Thompson |
| Dining Secretary | Bruno Mennens |
| Recruitment & PR | Malcolm Stafford |
| Membership | Billy Wright |
| Web Captain | Captain Ian Buckle |
| Committee 1 | Commander Leonard Fenner |
| Committee 2 | Captain Nigel Palmer |
| Committee 3 | Richard Palmer |
| Committee 4 | Adrian Scheele |
| Committee 5 | Captain Geoffrey Hartgrove |

The above persons were duly voted and declared as Officers of the Club and Committee members for the forthcoming year.

New Club Captain Peter King thanked the meeting and for the warmth extended to him in being elected Club Captain for the next two years. Also thanks to Ian as past Club Captain through a very difficult year and to Bruno and Tim for keeping communications ticking over. Special thanks to Adrian for his excellent, sound financial work. Congratulations to incoming Staff Captain Tim MacGuire and looking forward to efforts to try and get more Master Mariners recruited into the Club.

Ian agreed to stay on the Committee as Web captain and Malcolm & Tim will try to bring fresh material to our web site.

9. Appointment of an independent examiner of the accounts for a period of one year – Club Member David Lambert has kindly agreed to act in this capacity for which the meeting wish to record their thanks.
10. Date of the next AGM: Tuesday 16th March, 2021
11. A Committee meeting was agreed to be held on 19th November at 11am via Zoom. Nigel will kindly host it.
12. The meeting closed at 1125 hrs