



The Association of Nene River Clubs

NBC OCC EBC BBC PYC MLWC MCC

ANRC Committee Meeting Friday 8th September 2017 at Northampton Boat Club starting 8pm

Members Attending

John Brown – J. B. – (A. N. R. C. Captain),
Karen Scrivener – K. S. – (A. N. R. C. Secretary),
Paul Scrivener – P. S. – (A. N. R. C. Treasurer),
Adrian Cleave – A. C. - (A. N. R. C. Web Master),
Ron Smith- R. S. – (E. B. C. Rep),
Dennis Sacker – D. S. – (N. B. C. Rep),
John Harris – J. H. – (O. C. C. Rep),
Bernard Keane – B. K. – (M. L. W. C. Rep),
Sylvia Keane – S. K. – (M. L. W. C. Rep),
Elaine Hansen – E. H. - (O. C. C. Rep),
Mark Hansen – M. H. - (O. C. C. Guest),
Dave Peryor – D. P. - (M. N. C. C. Rep),
Mick Blackwell – M. B. – (N. B. C. Rep),
Tony Goodman – T. G. – (M. N. C. C. Rep).

Apologies for Absence

Josi Loveridge (P. Y. C. Rep), Dave Loveridge (P. Y. C. Rep).

Minutes of Last Meeting Friday 14th July 2017

J. B. asked if everyone had read the minutes from the last meeting, and if the minutes were a true and accurate record, asked for a Proposer and a Seconded.

Proposer: S. K.

Seconded: P. S.

Matters Arising

S. K. asked if the Marquees had been repaired yet, which J. B. replied no not yet. J. B. added that the ANRC containers, sited at PYC, have now been fitted out with racking to store the Marquees, but are currently being used at the present time. The Marquees have yet to be put into the container. Clubs that would like to hire the Marquees have to make their own arrangements to collect and return the Marquees. It was suggested by J. B. that a set of instructions on the erection of the Marquees should be displayed on the website. P. S. is to send the instructions electronically, as a document, to A. C.

P. S. mentioned the cancellation of the Dinner and Dance, and had been advised by Barnwell Village Hall, that the deposit will be refunded. It was asked if a replacement function was going to replace the Dinner and Dance, which the answer was yes, and will be discussed later on.

ANRC Website

A. C. advised that the Navigation Link on the website has been improved. Any link to outside sources, such as the Clubs websites, should be displaying the most current up to date information, provided that the outside source has updated their website. The onus of keeping the current information for outside links is now with all outside sources, including the ANRC Clubs. P. S. stated that the old link took too long, which is why P. S. had suggested previously to display the Navigation Updates onto Stop Press. A. C. also added that the website system needed to be changed as the EA had changed their system, and that the latest link to the EA is now on the website. The link to the EA can also be added to the ANRC Facebook page. A.C. also added that he has modernised the website and A. C. has removed the old data from the website, and that links on the ANRC website now link directly to the Clubs websites.

The current figure for the number of hits on the website in the past 12 months is 5,252. The average hits, per month, have been 400 to 500.

Captain's Report

J. B. advised that Islip Bridge has now been put in place. J. B. received an email advising that the plaque that is to be displayed on the bridge will be displaying the Association of Nene River Clubs as the ANRC, and that the names of the Organisations who have contributed to the project, will be displayed in order of sizeable donations. J. B. added that he had sent a reply email stating that this was unfair as the ANRC was responsible in starting this campaign to replace the bridge, and the ANRC are only a small organisation, and the list of contributors should be displayed accordingly.

J. B. mentioned an unfortunate incident recently regarding a member of NBC, in which Rule 2 of the ANRC rules was contravened. J. B. did not enter into full details, but wished the Repts to remind their Committees that the ANRC are a liaison between all Clubs. The aim is to help all boaters on the River Nene and adjacent waterways, to encourage boating of all classes, and to provide services with prior permission. J. B. asked the Repts to remind their Committees that being part of the ANRC is to help other ANRC Clubs Members. J. B. stressed that the aim to help all boaters, especially ANRC Members.

ANRC Supper Dance

J. B. advised that this year, the ANRC will be holding a Supper Dance, will be held at O. C. C. The original date for the Dinner Dance was 30th September 2017, is short notice. It was discussed whether this was too short notice. E. H. added that instead of a full meal, to have a sit down buffet instead, which will be more of a casual affair. A date is definitely needed, and the September date would be better as O. C. C. have organised everything around this date. P. S. noticed that N. B. C. had a function on the same date. E. H. added that this date would be more amenable with regards to the weather. If numbers of Members who attend is more than 40, then O. C. C. would be able to use their outside Marquee. J. B. stated that the cost would be £10 to £12 per head for the buffet, with £4 to £5 on top for the entertainment, to make £16 to £17 per ticket. Members would be greeted with a free glass of wine or glass of beer at the door. Figures are to be figured out, but need approximate figures of Members who would be interested in attending. E. H. added that O. C. C. would only be able to seat 40, but numbers would be flexible with a buffet. S. K. asked what entertainment would be performing on the night. J. B. and E. H. answered that the singer, Sim, would be available on the night. Sim had performed at the ANRC Rally this year. A proposal to accept 30th September 2017 as the date of the function was put forward.

Proposer: J. B.

Seconded: P. S.

J. B. asked the Committee what price should be charged for the tickets, £16 or £17 per adult. B. K. replied that he felt that £16 would sound better than £17. It was decided that £16 would be a better price to charge. J. B. then asked what price should be charged for children. It was decided that the ticket price for Members attending, over the age of 16 years, would be £16, and for under 16 years there would be no charge. Tickets for the raffle were mentioned, and raffle books were handed out to each club to sell prior to the function. The charge for the raffle tickets would be set at £1 per strip. Books should be returned on the night. Donations towards the raffle would be appreciated. Dress code for the function will be smart but casual.

Vice Captain's Report

D. S. stated that the Regatta that was held by NBC was very successful. Nothing else to report.

Secretary's Report

K. S. began by stating that a letter was sent to Irwin Forbes, regarding the consultation of the increase in the licence fees. The letter stated that the ANRC agreed that an increase in the fees is due, and that a raise of 3.5% should be adequate, 0.6% above the rate of inflation.

K. S. also emailed David Percer, Secretary of the EAWA, to update them on the progress of the fitting of Islip Bridge, and also to chase the donation that was on offer from the EAWA. So far, there has been no response. The original email sent was not accepted by the recipient, as it would not accept the photographs that were attached due to the file being too large. The email was sent to Davids' personal email address instead. K. S. is to chase this up this week.

K. S. received an email from Bill Barry, with a suggestion of another company who are willing to provide ANRC Individual Members 10% discount. It is an Indian Restaurant in March. A. C. has already displayed the advert for the Restaurant on the ANRC website. J. B. reminded Reps to continue to find businesses local to them, who would be agreeable in providing discount to the ANRC Individual Members.

Treasurer's Report

P. S. began stating the income was £34.00, which was made up of Individual Membership of £24.00, and Scratch Cards £10.00. Expenditure was for the website, paid to A. C., of £115.00. Petty cash payments were for the ANRC Raffle Tickets, of £20.93. The total in the bank of £11,424.87, total petty cash of £24.02, with grand total of £11,448.89.

ANRC Rally 2018

J. B. announced that O. C. C. will be holding the ANRC Rally next year. E. H. and J. H. stated that O. C. C. do not have the manpower, and that the Rally would be held on O. C. C.s' premises, but run by the ANRC. E. H. asked if they could have as much help from everybody as possible. T. G. will possibly be helping with the moorings. A. C. has volunteered with the breakfasts. E. H. asked about evening meals, which J. B. felt that this was not necessary. A. C. added that generally speaking, BBQs' are usually on all day, which works well. J. B. suggested meetings to be arranged, with E. H. adding that a time frame needs to set up. The theme is the first thing that needs to be arranged. J. B. asked E. H. if O. C. C. required a loan, which E. H. and J. H. replied that they would not require the loan facility. J. B. mentioned that the loan is available, and is interest free. B. K. asked who would be dealing with all the paperwork, as there is a lot of it. J. B. replied that the ANRC will do this. A. C. will help with the design of the programmes. A.C. has all the certificate templates. An outside bar, a BBQ and a bingo machine is needed, which J. B. will send out an email to the Clubs for help with supplying these. J. B. mentioned that the thought is to use all three Marquees. E. H. stated that the entertainment has already been arranged, with bread and dripping, along with an Oompa band which E. H. and J. H. are involved in. The Oompa band will not be charging for their services, but would accept a donation towards their charity. O. C. C. is still looking for entertainment for the Friday night, but E. H. suggested a local band, The Steridents, who play 80s' music, as a possibility.

Navigation Updates

Navigation updates are displayed on both the ANRC Website and the ANRC Facebook page, as normal.

A. N. R. C. Moorings

J. B. mentioned that there is nothing to report on this matter, however, the ANRC sign at Cotterstock still needs to be removed. J. H. offered to remove the sign, if he was travelling past.

Boat Watch

J. B. stated that there is an update, which he is due to put onto the website.

Memberships for Boat Watch is very slow, only 4 new Members. S. K. asked if there were any membership forms that MLWC could have, which J. B. replied that the forms are on the ANRC Website.

AOB

J. B. announced that all following Committee Meetings, after this meeting, will now be taking place at EBC, as it is most central to all the Clubs.

J. B. introduced Mike Horn as the new Harbour Master of NBC.

Meeting finished at 9.45pm.

Next Committee meeting will take place at E. B. C. on Friday 10th November 2017 at 8pm.

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