

Langstone Sailing Club Limited
Autumn General Meeting (AAGM)
Friday 20th October 2023
20:00 hrs.

AGENDA

Agenda

1. Notice confirming the meeting.
2. Apologies for absence.
3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the 100th General Meeting held 28th April 2023.
4. Matters arising.
5. The Commodores Report
6. Election of the following officers of Langstone Sailing Club
 - a. The President
 - b. The Vice Presidents (4)
 - c. The Commodore
 - d. The Vice Commodore
 - e. The Rear Commodore Sailing
 - f. The Rear Commodore House
 - g. The Hon Treasurer
 - h. Elected Committee Members (6)
7. Special Business
8. Other Business

Proceedings
of the
101st General Meeting of Langstone Sailing Club
22th October 2023

The meeting was Chaired by the President, Brian Radford. The Hon Secretary, Larry Hopgood, took the minutes. Remote attendees were seen live on the TV being facilitated by Dick Taylor.

1. Notice convening the meeting.

The secretary gave the following. Notice is hereby given this is the 101st General Meeting of Langstone Sailing Club Ltd.

2. Attendance and Apologies.

Attendees

Brian Radford	<i>President</i>
Owen Davies	<i>Commodore</i>
John Bassford	<i>Vice Commodore</i>
John Harvey	<i>Vice President</i>
Dick Taylor	<i>Membership Secretary</i>
Stewart Johnson	<i>Rear Commodore Sailing</i>
Jon Hulls	<i>Rear Commodore House</i>
Jane Noble	<i>Sailing Secretary</i>
Larry Hopgood	<i>Hon Secretary</i>
Paula Brisley	<i>Committee Member</i>
Ariane Johnson	<i>Committee Member</i>
Drew Bellamy	<i>Committee Member</i>
Ariane Johnson	<i>Committee Member</i>
Mel Norton	<i>Assistant Treasurer</i>
Claire Ashton	<i>Environmental Officer</i>

Peter Morse	June Morse	Vanessa Davies
Val Hopgood	Jon Haines	Ethna Haines
Ron Read	Pete Carrell	Graham Anderson
Mick Lacey	Mel Norton	Graham Norton
Frank Raine	Ian Owens	Frank Meyers
Sandy Meters	Rob Britt	Geoff Shilling
Rory McKim	Trevor Holloway	Sharon Holloway
Judy Harvey	Jenny Baker	Peter Baker
Nick Dike	Jane Noble	Mark Wilson
Mike Ford	Mark Ashton	Gerry Woods
Penny Carrell	Adam Harvey	Mike Jessett
Peter May	Liz May	Maddie Toogood
Nick Toogood	Mike Willoughby	Patricia Stanton
Terry Farmer	Peter Dixon	Chris Leonard
Kevin Edwards	Chris Brunt	Julie Brunt
Mary Bassford	Jo Gordon	Louise Gray

Apologies: were received from

Steven and Katie Anderson, Gary and Kim Illingworth, Peter Ripley, John Whiteley, Bob and Jan Upton and Lynda Woods.

3. To confirm the Minutes of the 100th General Meeting of Langstone Sailing Club Ltd held on-line on Friday 28th April 2023.

The minutes were confirmed without amendment

4. Matters Arising

None

5. Commodore's Report

Mr President and fellow members,

Well, what a season, in spite of turbulent weather patterns and wind directions, I am pleased to report a reasonably successful sailing season and that our club continues to flourish.

All our eight committees are vibrant and pro-active and a big thank you to all who have been involved with the organisation and running of our club, including:

- ☐ Sailing
- ☐ House
- ☐ Health and safety
- ☐ Training
- ☐ Junior
- ☐ Governance
- ☐ Environmental
- ☐ Communication

These eight feeds into the general committee which meets on a monthly basis.

Our website continues to provide updated information about our club and its activities. I urge you to log on at regular intervals e.g., weekly as for example our galley 'specials' menu ordering form changes each week.

Many thanks to our webmaster who continues to do a fabulous job.

We now have over five hundred members ranging from those starting out on sailing and water activities to more experienced members most of whom comment on how friendly and hospitable our club is.

We continue to be a self-help club, which strives to be an affordable sailing community offering excellent facilities with a full and comprehensive programme including dinghies, cruisers, paddleboarding, kayaking and rowing.

At this point, I would like to highlight the work of the health and safety committee which has nearly completed reviewing and revising all our health and safety documentation. This is a very important job. I am also pleased to report that we continue to be an accredited RYA training establishment.

Another highlight was the official opening of the Toby Hamer room during junior week. Many members have also enjoyed sitting in the sunshine in the new western deck which overlooks Langstone harbour and others have appreciated some impressive sunsets.

Paddleboard orienteering was a new event on the calendar which we hope will gain a few more members interest.

Another first was the photographic competition and although there were only a few entries, the standard was high. The winning entry was judged in the Chichester harbour photographic competition and given a highly commended award. I hope that this competition becomes an annual event.

I am pleased to report that cruiser rallies have gone from strength to strength with over 50 boats and a hundred sailors enjoying a combination of local and further afield destinations.

The membership survey that you were asked to complete is now being analysed and will influence future planning.

Sailing club manager software which we have been using for some time now enables us to review the duties carried out by members during the year. This will enable us to accurately target the few individual members who do not appear to be making a contribution to the club.

I am sure that you will remember that in a previous report, I highlighted the concerns about increasing energy costs and as predicted our energy costs have increased. We have now changed supplier and fitted a smart meter and costs have not increased as much as feared. Following a long and detailed discussion about expenditure at the October GCM the committee agreed that we need to increase fees in the region of 10% next year. We will not be informed by Chichester harbour conservancy of the fees for moorings until after their meeting in November, so we may need to increase our cruiser mooring fees appropriately. We must still be mindful of energy costs ensuring that we keep our usage under control.

You may also remember that at the previous AGM we thanked our retiring Bar manager and gave him a gift of garden furniture. I am pleased to tell you that he sent me an email and expressed his surprise and thanks for such an unexpected gift.

We still have some vacancies in the organisation and Larry would like to retire as club secretary if somebody would like to step up. We also urgently need an I.T manager.

Before, I finish I must mention our Cruiser Lift Out Team, who produced a magnificent effort in highly challenging conditions, a great effort all round, well done all!

With many thanks to those who are retiring from the committee this year and a final reminder to please log onto the website on a regular basis.

Many thanks for attending or signing in to this our 101st AGM.

Owen Davies, Commodore 2023

6. Election of Officers of the club:

The secretary explained that the exact number of members have been nominated for the vacancies on the committee. He then read out the names of the nominated members; all having been proposed and seconded. Jon Haines and Trevor Holloway introduced themselves.

OFFICE	Nominee
President	Brian Radford
Vice President	John Harvey
Vice President	Tim Wilyman
Vice President	Dick Taylor
Vice President	Peter Baker
Commodore	Owen Davies
Vice Commodore	John Bassford
Rear Commodore House	Jonathan Hulls
Rear Commodore Sailing	Stewart Johnson
Hon Treasurer	Rory McKimm
Elected Cttee Member	Paula Brisley
Elected Cttee Member	Drew Bellamy
Elected Cttee Member	Chris Pines
Elected Cttee Member	Trevor Holloway
Elected Cttee Member	Jon Haines
Elected Cttee Member	Katharine Hulls

The secretary asked all attendees to vote en-bloc for the nominated committee members

The vote was unanimous.

7. Special Business

No special business had been submitted by the membership.

8. Any Other Business

The Chairman asked attendees if there was any other business.

Gerry Woods asked what progress was being made in receiving a feed in tariff from our energy supplier for the significant unused energy created from the Solar Panels. Jon Hulls, Rear Commodore House, advised that he was in in contact with the supplier, Octopus, and would contact them again.

9. The President

The President addressed the meeting remembering that he and the Vice President, John Harvey, were the longest serving members.

10. Meeting Closure

The Chairman closed the meeting at 2025.