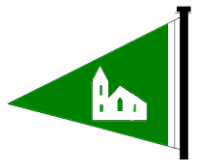


# Lower Halstow Yacht Club

Affiliated to :- The Medway Yachting Association and The Royal Yachting Association



Lower Halstow, Sittingbourne, Kent.

## Minutes of The Annual General Meeting Held At Lower Halstow Village Hall on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

The meeting opened at 2010. 36 members were in attendance.(signature list available)

1. **Apologies for absence** G.Leighton, J.McFarlan, N.Funnel, R.Elkington, P.Taylor.

2. **The minutes of the Annual General Meeting** held on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019 were approved.

Proposed by, **R.Cracknell** Seconded **K.Milburn**.

**Vote Unanimous in favour**

3. **The Commodore Graham Osborne** made his report on the past years events. See appendix 1

4. **The Treasurer Frank Knight** made his report, explaining the accounts as detailed on the issued audited account sheet. See appendix 2.

5. **The Accounts** were offered for approval. See appendix 2.

Proposed by **K.Milburn**, Seconded by **R.Cracknell**.

**Vote Unanimous in favour.**

6. **Appointment of Honourable Auditors.** The previous auditors **David Allen** and **Roger Bromley** agreed to offer their services for the coming year.

Proposed by **K.Worsdell**, Seconded **K.Milburn**.

**Vote Unanimous in favour.**

7. **Mooring Masters Report by Graham Leighton (not present). Read by M.Stewart**

See appendix 3

8. **Yardmasters report by Lawrence Newing.**

The lift in and out of boats has been fairly smooth with no serious issues.

9. **Election of Officers and Committee.** The existing members offer themselves for re-election in the following positions:-

<b>Commodore</b>	-	Myles Stewart.
<b>Vice Commodore</b>	-	Ray Cracknell.
<b>Rear Commodore</b>	-	David Metcalf.
<b>Honorary Treasurer</b>	-	M.Knight,
<b>Honorary Secretary</b>	-	Graham Osborne.
<b>Mooring Master</b>	-	Graham Leighton.
<b>Yard Master</b>	-	Lawrence Newing.
<b>Social Secretary</b>	-	

**Committee Members** :- Dave Youdle, John Knight, Roger Elkington, David Quigley.

**Vote Unanimous in favour**

10. **Adoption of Waste management plan .**

Our waste management plan is for members to take their own waste home with them.

**Vote unanimous in favour**

11. **The committee propose that the following change is made to the constitution rule 25 (a) & (b).**

This change is to help facilitate the committee in keeping the site clear of long term storage of boats by removing the charge reset date of 1<sup>st</sup> September. The revised rule would be as below.

**Rule 25.** (a) Vessels classified in groups 1,2,& 3 *Classification & Regulation of Vessels & Equipment (Club Bye- Law 21)*, when not kept on a mooring, may be stored ashore at the standard rate for that vessel, for up to 26 weeks in a year. (b) When a vessel exceeds 26 weeks ashore, the charge for the first 4 weeks shall be four times that boat's standard rate. After this any subsequent storage ashore will be paid at ten times that boat's standard rate. In the event of failure to pay arrears the member's membership of the club will be terminated & where necessary proceedings under rule 26 of the club constitution shall commence if the vessel is not removed from site or returned to the water.

The committee may consider appeals against charges in exceptional circumstances.

**Vote unanimous in favour**

12. G.Osborne presented the year sailing trophies.

The AGM closed at 20.40

K.Milburn led a round of applause for the committee's work over the previous year.

**Open Forum.**

Members made the following comments

1. A.Douglas stated that there were ongoing problems with the Kingsferry Bridge lifting for small boats.
2. M.Griffin asked about the scrap metal on the club site. J.Knight stated that the scrap dealer would be removing it shortly.
3. R.Bromley said that if we had a cut off date for payments into the club accounts the audit of accounts could be made easier.
4. S.Davies stated that he would like to organise a sailing dinghy cruise in the coming year.
5. The committee asked for ideas to celebrate the clubs 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
6. G.Osborne stated that the coming years sailing program would be published in the coming week.

The meeting ended

Graham Osborne  
Honorary Secretary LHYC