

Appendix 2

Reasons for proposed changes:

The committee propose changes to the constitution and charging structure to be adopted from January 2023.

The committee has for some time been considering how to reduce clutter around the yard, which is largely made up of unused tenders and trailers.

Clutter causes the following problems:

- 1.Reduces the storage available for boats that are actually used.
- 2.Makes it difficult to keep the yard tidy
3. Makes lift in/out operations more difficult than need be by reducing the manoeuvring ability of tractor and cradles.

In addition to reducing clutter, the committee seek to change the charging system, to a system which we believe is fairer to members, in that members will pay for what they store at the yard rather than a system where much of the annual charge is made up of the membership fee. This will provide a financial incentive not to use the yard as free storage for unused and unwanted items.

These changes will also enable a simplification of the constitution making it easier to understand, without the confusion of the boat classification system.

The basic principles are as follows;

The right to one free tender per member will be replaced with a system where tenders are charged according to size and how stored.

The cost of tender storage will be balanced by a reduction in the annual membership fee. There will be one level of membership, existing country members will be on the same level as current full members giving them full rights of membership removing the need to change membership class should they acquire a boat.

Proposed fee structure:

One level of membership at £70 commencing 2023 season.

Current country members currently pay £68 but they will gain full rights of membership and will not have to change membership should they acquire a boat.

All craft stored on site will be subject to a charge, the proposed fees commencing 2023 are as follows.

All tenders that are stored in the racking system will be charged £40 per year.

Therefore membership and tender storage for one tender will be same as old membership fee of £110, which covers the majority of the membership.

All boats kept on a trailer, that are stored all year round, will be charged at the standard ashore rate for that length of boat. This includes tenders.

Current storage rates will remain unchanged for boats over 20'

Boats 15'-20' charged £1.70/week ie £88.40.p.a.

There will be new charges for smaller boats and tenders kept on trailers rather than storage racks;

10' to 15' charged £1.40/ week ie £72.80 p.a

5' to 10'. charged £1.20 /week ie £60 p.a

Trailers at the club which are **not** used for boat storage. Flat fee of £150. per year.
Trailers that are used for storage of a boat are not charged as included in boat storage fee.
Cradles will be treated as trailers.

Kayak and canoes take up less space than tenders on racks, they do not need club trolleys and are out of way behind the club hut so reduce annual fee to £30.

Mooring charges from 2023

1 mooring £35..

Moorings are now limited in supply. Those who currently have two moorings represent a loss of income to the club in that the second mooring could be used by a new member paying a membership fee.

For 2022. 2nd mooring £35.

For 2023 no second moorings available

Necessary Constitutional changes are as follows;

1. Rule 13 b and c to be amended.

13 (b) A ~~full~~ Member shall be entitled to the full amenities of the Club.

~~(c) A Country Member shall be a member who is unable for any reason to use the Club regularly and he/she shall be entitled to the full amenities of the Club except – no boat, no vote, no guests. He/ she will be issued with a gate key. On application for Full Membership the Country Member shall be liable to pay the difference in the entrance fee.~~

2. Club bye law rule 21; Classification and regulation of vessels to be deleted entirely.

~~Classification & Regulation of Vessels & Equipment Part A : Types of craft to be used and/or stored at LHYC site.~~

~~1 Cabin Boat: Club Launch System.~~

~~Sail or motor powered . Has cabin or cuddy. Over 13 ft LOA. and less than 36ft. LOA Will be kept on its mooring for that boat's season.~~

~~Launched and recovered by club hired crane or other club launching system.~~

~~2. Cabin Boat: Self Launch. As 1~~

~~Member arranges own launch and recovery without use of equipment owned or hired by the club~~

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~~3 Day-boat. No cabin or Cuddy. Sail /oar or motor powered. Less than 22ft LOA . Either kept on a mooring for that boat's season or launched and recovered from its trailer with mechanical assistance after each use.~~

~~4 Sailing/Rowing Dinghy. No cabin or Cuddy. Sail /oar powered. Less than 16ft LOA . Not kept on a mooring and will be launched and recovered by hand after each use.~~

~~5 Kayaks / canoes. Includes all canoe form craft such as Canadian style canoes, kayaks and out rigged canoes. These may be sail and/or paddle powered and will be launched recovered after each use.~~

~~6 Tender. Open craft less than 16ft LOA used to service and access a member's boat kept on a mooring.~~

~~Part B: Sundry items:~~

~~7 Launching /storage cradle/trailer. Any device owned by a member used for storage and/or launch recovery of vessels~~

~~8 Masts/ spars/ components. Any article forming part of a vessel that is separated from the vessel.~~

9 Other items. Any item not classified in categories 1-8

Part C: Regulations;

- a. Where a member, disputes which category 1-6 a vessel should be in, or when it is not readily determined which category, 1-6 a vessel should be in, the committee will decide which category is most appropriate.
- b. Vessels and articles in categories 1-9 will be identifiable in terms of ownership by means of boat name and/or member number.
- c. Any member with one craft or more, in category 1,2 or 3, that is kept on a mooring during that craft's season, may keep ONE tender on site without charge. The tender may be a craft from categories 4, 5, or 6
- d. Craft in categories 4,5 & 6 that are not a vessel's designated tender will be subject to charge if stored on site for more than 1 month, unless the craft is the member's ONLY boat, which will then not be subject to charge, in this latter case any additional such craft will be subject to charge.
- e. Permission to store any craft or sundry item on site, will be sought from and be at the discretion of the yard master. All craft and sundry items will be stored in accordance with instructions given by the yard master. Only items which are subject to use or expected use will be stored on site.
- f. Abandonment: Any item in categories 1-9, which is on the club site, the mooring area allocated to the club, or any area within the boundaries of the land rented to the club and in the opinion of the committee appears neglected or unused, parked in the wrong place or uncollected by former members may be classified as abandoned.

Where this is the case, procedures and provisions consistent with the Torts (interference with Goods) Act 1977 may be employed to enable removal of the vessel or equipment.

g. Other types of vessel not covered by categories 1-6 may be used at discretion of committee.

3. Rule 25. Annual lift out. Amended as below.

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) (c) and (d) unchanged.

(e) For those vessels, which are subject to part C, section d, of Classification & Regulation of Vessels & Equipment there will be a flat fee which will be determined by the committee.

(f) Vessels classified as Day boat (group 3), which are not kept on a mooring, for their season shall pay the standard storage rate for that vessel for the whole period on site. Unused or abandoned vessels in this class will become subject to penalties described in (b) above.

(g) unchanged

(h) Storage, Launch, Recovery & Mooring fees may be varied as required at the discretion of the committee. Members who object to variation in such fees may do so at a general meeting, after correct notice to the Honorary Secretary for consideration by the membership.

(N.B. The committee does not believe that permission should be required to object to variation in fees)

The following will be added to rule 25.

(I) Permission to store any craft or sundry item on site, will be sought from and be at the discretion of the yard master. All craft and sundry items will be stored in accordance with instructions given by the yard master. Only items which are subject to use or expected should be stored on site.

Abandonment: Any item which is on the club site, the mooring area allocated to the club, or any area within the boundaries of the land rented to the club and in the opinion of the committee appears neglected or unused, or uncollected by former members may be classified as abandoned. Abandoned items may be charged weekly at a rate set by the committee.

Procedures and provisions consistent with the Torts (interference with Goods) Act 1977 may be employed to enable removal of the vessel or equipment.