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DINNER DANCE EDITION

SATURDAY 24TH OCTOBER

UP RIVER YACHT CLUB

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Annual Dinner/Dance & Prize Giving

In this edition of “Flotsam” you will find the menu selection and booking form for this year’s Dinner/Dance and Prize Giving which will take place at Up River Yacht Club on Saturday 24th October.

The House Committee hopes that members, along with their family and friends, will come and enjoy the evening with us and help to congratulate those who have won prizes during the sailing season.

The event will commence with a three-course dinner with catering by Affinity 1777, followed by a short presentation of prizes, then dancing to the Ray Spiller Disco until midnight. As with previous occasions, the dress code is semi-formal with evening dress optional.

If you would like to attend, please complete the booking form and menu selection, and return with the appropriate cheque (made payable to Up River Yacht Club) to House Committee Treasurer no later than 9th October.

Places will be allocated on a strictly first-come, first-served basis: last year the event was over subscribed! I shall not be sending out receipts, but feel free to contact me if you wish to confirm that I have received your booking form.

The House Committee look forward to welcoming you to this premier event!

Adrian Reynolds

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If you have any articles or photographs you would like to have included in Flotsam, please send them by email to flotsam@upriver.org, or post to URYC, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, Essex



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Launch and Recovery Syndicate

Second Work Party

Sunday 6th September 2009

Start 09.00 Prompt

To refresh your memories, all members of the syndicate
must attend both

Work Parties where maintenance is undertaken on:

Mobile Hoist / Launching & Recovery Trolleys /
Tractors / Launch & Recovery Cable & Drum / Lifting Chain Blocks / Lifting Strops
/ Turning Block / Stern Lines / Warning Boards / Tender Trolleys

You should bring:

Chipping Hammers / Wire Brushes / Paint Brushes / Files / Grease Guns / Socket Sets
/ Ring Spanners etc.

Appropriate paint and grease will be provided
See You There!

Launch and Recovery Committee



Flotsam is now available on the club website www.upriver.org
Adobe Reader software required. If you don't have this software it is available for free at
<http://www.adobe.com/uk/products/acrobat/readermain.html>



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PURSER'S STORES

Wear the name of URYC with pride! For Club regalia contact

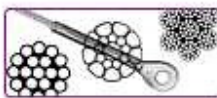
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Blazer Badges	£ 3 - 60		

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House Committee Report

Over the past few months, there has been much activity: some obvious, but also some less obvious.

An enjoyable “At Home” was held on the 9th May, and was supported by 20 members. We had 20 visitors, the majority of whom were from Benfleet and Wakering Clubs. Thank you to Lesley Underwood and Pauline Reynolds who jointly undertook all the catering.

The pre-Regatta work party on the 27th June was very well supported. The Club grounds and the new Gazebos looked very smart – thank you to all those members attending. On Regatta day, the sun was out, and in fact it was quite hot! Receipts were comparable to last year, and at the Regatta de-briefing on the 21st September, the Co-ordinating Committee will decide on the distribution to this year’s charities. I believe, overall, that the Regatta was a success. However, we are not complacent and we intend to make some changes for 2010.

On Monday 13th July, prior to the recovery of the cruiser “Hilsa” due to a hole in her hull, I noticed a large pool of water in the Clubhouse at the junction of the Ladies toilet and the hallway. A repair to a hot water pipe was completed later in the day, and the area will be re-decorated when it has dried out sufficiently. Thanks to Jim McAvoy and John Jones for effecting the repair.

On Saturday 3rd October, the RNLI Mini-Quiz and Fish and Chip supper will be held –all profits go to the RNLI, so please come along. Put your names



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on the list in the club hallway: the House Committee need to know numbers for catering purposes.

Planning the Annual Dinner/Dance and Prize Giving on the 24th October continues apace by the House Committee, and full details of the menu and the booking form appear elsewhere in this issue of "Flotsam". The House Committee has endeavoured to take on-board "difficulties" arising from last year, for example: congestion around the bar. We intend to utilise the Deck Area, with an awning and a limited secondary bar.

Finally, for this report, enjoy the rest of your season, whether afloat or not.

Best Wishes,

Adrian Reynolds

House Committee Treasurer

Important

This issue of Flotsam contains a copy of the minutes of the
2008 Up River Yacht Club Annual General Meeting.

Please keep this issue for your reference

when attending this year's AGM on
Sunday December 6th 2009 (14.00 start)



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Launch and Recovery Syndicate

The second compulsory work party for the Syndicate's members is scheduled for Sunday 6th September, starting at 09.00am prompt. Members are reminded to bring, if possible, some of the following: chipping hammers, wire brushes, files, paint brushes, grease guns, saws, claw-hammers and miscellaneous spanners. The Club will as usual, supply Zinc prime paint and grease.

There have been a couple of incidents this year resulting in major damage to two different chain-lifting blocks. This damage was entirely due to incorrect usage. The first instance took place on the 27th March, and the second on the 25th April. Both incidents were entirely avoidable if well-established procedures had been followed.

In the first instance, the hand-hauling chain was being pulled across the chain-plate: this resulted in jamming of the chain-plate retaining bar rollers, leading to fracture of the retaining bar, thus taking that chain block out of action. Needless to say, craft can only be lifted/lowered with four serviceable chain blocks.

In the second incident, after the lifting of a craft, a chain-block hauling-chain was not securely stowed on the mobile hoist, resulting in massive damage to another chain-plate when the grounded hauling-chain was trapped beneath one of the mobile hoist's wheels.

All members of the Syndicate must be aware of the operating procedures that have evolved over many years of safe usage, and must act responsibly.



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On a few occasions this year, some members arrived well after the stated start-time. This will no longer be tolerated. On the day, or days, of either launch or recovery, members must appear no later than the stated start time. Members who are not, will neither be launched, nor recovered, during that session.

As I write this report, the cruiser sailing season is nearly half-gone, if you're pessimistic, or half-left, if you're optimistic! However, whatever your outlook, it would be appropriate to check your mooring chains and shackles at the next available spring tide. Whilst you are, why not be neighbourly and have a look at your immediate neighbour's mooring chains etc. You may recall that I have previously mentioned that there are some very poor quality chains and shackles on the market that wear very quickly!

Finally, whatever your inclinations, whether cruising or racing or both, Happy Sailing!

Best Wishes,

Adrian Reynolds

Launch and Recovery Syndicate Chairman

Shifting Sands

I would ask you to note the following:

At 051 degrees 39.380N, 000 degrees 59.665E the depth currently shown on charts is 3.0 metres at chart datum.

This (incorrect) depth will be revised to 0.3 metres at CD

Carol Thompson



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R.N.L.I.

MINI Quiz

&

FISH 'N' CHIP SUPPER

Saturday 3rd October 2009

8pm

£5 per person

All profits to the RNLI



**RNLI Christmas Cards, Calendars, Gifts etc.
will also be available to purchase**

**Please add your name and number attending to the list in the
hallway - important to make catering arrangements**



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DINNER, DANCE & PRIZE GIVING



Dancing to

The Ray Spiller Disco

Full details and booking forms are in this edition of Flotsam and on the club notice board. Please complete and return, with payment, to

Julia Hall no later than Friday 10th October 2008 (*Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis!*)





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Dinner, Dance & Prize Giving 2009 - Menu & Booking Form

Date: Saturday 24th October 2009
Venue: Up River Yacht Club, Pooles Lane, Hullbridge, SS5 6PA
Time: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm **Price:** £22.00 each

The Executive Committee has agreed to subsidise Cadets under the age of 16 to receive the same meal selection for a cost of £11.00 provided that each Cadet is accompanied by a parent or responsible adult paying full price.

Please make your selection for the meal from the list below and post the booking form, with your cheque, to Adrian Reynolds by **Friday 9th October 2009**.

Starter

- A: Hickory smoked chicken breast in a creamy Caesar salad presented in Cos lettuce leaves
- B: Fans of Honeydew melon served with a wild fruit and mango coullis dressed with compote of forest fruits
- C: Smoked salmon and prawn salad bound with lemon mayonnaise served on a bed of mixed lettuce leaves
- D: Beef, tomato and mozzarella on an Italian salad drizzled with balsamic vinaigrette, topped with shaved Parmesan

Main Course

- E: Sautéed chicken breast filled with fresh spinach, cream cheese and garlic, with compote of chargrilled peppers and sun dried tomatoes with a champagne sauce
- F: Braised shank of lamb with a melange of roasted vegetables and Merlot sauce
- G: Wholegrain coated roast sirloin of beef, with honey-glazed parsnips, red onion and a rich red wine jus
- H: Poached fillet of Scottish salmon served on a bed of sweet potato and potato mash and lemon Hollandaise sauce

Dessert

- 1. Baked lemon tartlet served with whipped vanilla cream and summer fruits by a lake of milk chocolate
- 2. Summer fruit cheesecake with a rich dollop of clotted cream
- 3. Traditional sugar-crusted Crème Brule, with hedgerow fruits and vanilla pod ice cream
- 4. Creamy Mocha Chino mousse served with a fudge brownie square

Coffee / Tea

(Please turn over for booking form)



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UP RIVER YACHT CLUB DINNER / DANCE AND PRIZE GIVING

Name:

Telephone No: **Email address**.....

Please reserve meplaces for the URYC Dinner and Dance.

I enclose a cheque made payable to UP RIVER YACHT CLUB FOR £

My/our choice of menu is *please state (A), (B), (C) etc. for each course*

<u>Name</u> (<i>please state if a Cadet</i>)	Starter	Main	Dessert
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**Please return this booking form with your cheque
no later than Friday 9th October 2009
to:**

Adrian Reynolds,
147, Manners Way,
Southend -on-Sea,
Essex, SS2 6QP



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Norfolk Week Report

Chris and I have just returned from a most enjoyable week in Norfolk. We went as spectators to the North West Norfolk Sailing Association Week. It was the NWNSA 60th Anniversary so there was a good turnout from around the country.

The Up River Yacht Club Dinghy Sailors were out in force and were all a credit to the club.

The week provided a variety of sailing venues and conditions giving each crew the opportunity to utilise their own and their boat's particular strengths.

There were some technical hitches (in racing if nothing gets broken you are probably not trying hard enough!), some ingenious quick repairs and dashes across the county for replacement parts.

The team all did well but particular mention must go to Tim Harris and Marcus Ingram. Tim came first overall in the Super Nova Class. During the week Tim had seven firsts and two seconds and gave us all some anxious moments as we watched from the banks. Marcus came first overall in the Open Class in his Phantom.

I am sure there will be a fuller report from the dinghy sailors in a future edition of Flotsam but I wanted to thank the URYC team for a great week. It is indeed a pleasure to belong to such a friendly and active club. For anyone else who would like to go along to support our club members next year the dates are 24th – 31st July.

Julia Hall



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Functions at Up River Yacht Club

The conservatory has given us much extra space and we held our last Dinner/Dance/Prize-giving in our own premises. This year's event will also be staged "In House". Feedback has been very positive and we must now plan for the future.

Space is still limited and some felt there was not enough space for dancing.

The following suggestions have been made.

We separate our events and hold something like a Summer Ball with a buffet. We would probably use outside caterers.

At another time, we hold a dinner with just background music. If this event were near the end of the season, the Prize-giving could be included.

This would mean 2 events rather than 1, enhancing the social aspects of the club.

There are advantages in holding events "In House"

We have adequate free parking.

Drinks bought in the club are reasonably priced and profits go to the club.

The costs of a Dinner/Dance at an outside venue are much greater.

We now invite your views. It is your club after all!

Please take a few moments to state your preferences below.

Please put a tick by your preference:

I would prefer the old style Dinner/Dance at an outside venue

I would prefer that we hold the event in house as in 2008 & 2009

I would prefer that we separate our functions as outlined above.

I have other suggestions (Please set them out briefly)

Please return this tear-off strip to any member of the house committee or put it in the envelope on the club notice board.

You could also send your preferences by Email to the Hon Secretary
Jim.McAvoy@BTInternet.com



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Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Up River Yacht Club 8th December

2008

Attendance 40 members attended and signed the register.

Apologies Apologies for absence were recorded for D Brown, S Bailes, K Phipp, P Dickens, P Sapwell, A Ince, R Squirrel, G Noble, P Pelling and Family, P Harris, T & A Harris, A & I Gore, C Cowling, J & M Jones, S McAvoy & K & G Busby

Minutes of the 2007 AGM the minutes were approved without amendment.

Matters arising from the minutes there were no matters arising.

Commodore's Report

It is with great sadness that I have to inform the meeting that Sylvia Abel passed away last month. Sylvia had been a strong supporter of the club and held the post of Honorary Treasurer for twenty-nine years. She will be sadly missed. The club was well represented at her funeral and a donation has been sent to "Fairhavens Hospice at Home" as requested by Graham.

As last year it is my intention to give a short report as it has been my policy to keep members informed throughout the year. I do not generally intend to talk about Sailing or House matters. The respective rear commodores will talk about their own areas. That means I can pass the blame for the poor weather to Penny!

Last year I referred to this leaving me with no duties – but again I do appear to have been very busy - Luckily I have been very well supported by a great team!

I refer now to a few of the major events.



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The biggest thing was the construction of the conservatory and although local contractors carried this out I did feel that I needed to be here every day. Once the conservatory was completed we were left with a number of associated jobs.

My thanks to Keith and John for laying the tiles but I am not sure my car has recovered from bringing all 35 sq. metres, and cement to the club in one go!

I must also thank Craig and his team for the swift construction of the decking and the loan of the cement mixer. The mixer came in for some heavy use when I made the steps to the west side door, steps to the bottom of decking and then lifted and re-laid every slab in of what remains of the old patio. I must thank Julia who moved every slab at least three times.

I am not sure that many of you know that there is a fee for permission to have a slipway. The Anchor owners have paid this for the last 42 years. However, the lease came up for renewal this summer and Punch Taverns decided that they did not need this additional expense. In the light of this the Crouch Harbour Authority asked us if we would care to take over the lease at £1250 pa. I spent some time talking with Punch Taverns and managed to convince them that it would be far too expensive to draw up a new lease with us and they decided to renew the lease for the slipway and bear the additional cost themselves.

One of the other major tasks has been to clear the club grounds. With the support of the executive and some drastic action including cutting up one boat we reached a low of just three cruisers in the yard by the end of the summer. Just in time as we have had a large influx of new boats this year for winter storage.

This year has also been a continuation of the programme to reduce cost in all areas. Careful pruning of expenses has minimised the effect of the huge rises in many of the charges made on the club. I had hoped that I would have been able to announce



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proposed new fees this year a little less than the 10% that I warned of at the last AGM. However, the huge increases in energy prices this year and the 72% increase in the rates charge has meant that we are looking towards increases of nearly 10%. I do not want to make promises for the new commodore but with energy prices stabilising and the possibility of better rate discount next year I would hope that we are looking at a smaller increase next year.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the support that I have received this year and say that I have enjoyed both the little sailing that I have managed and the social events but I leave the details to our rear commodores.

Chris Hall

Vice Commodore's Report

It only seems like last week that I stood here to give my first AGM report. However a year has passed and once again I stand before you. This year started with me being put into the hot seat while Julia and Chris went on an extended, much envied, cruise to exotic climes.

During the first two and half months I chaired and attended various meetings both here and at other clubs. To my great relief any problems that arose were quickly and easily disposed of. My most notable event was the prize-giving to members after races 7 & 8 at the clubhouse. This was a very enjoyable event and well worth getting a tie on for.

On 10th March Julia and Chris returned and with both relief and regret I handed back the reins. Late in March I attended the Royal Burnham Club for a Heads of the Rivers meeting. It was mostly dull but plans were muted for the RSPB sanctuary at Wallasea Island. . Much detail has been in local newspapers recently. I have here a copy of the RSPB booklet for any member to look at.



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The year's big event was now underway and the conservatory, like the Phoenix rose out of the waterlogged ground. After much hard work by Chris, Julia and a lot of other members we have all reaped the rewards of the magnificent addition to our building. Our clubhouse is now the envy of many other clubs.

The Regatta came and went, or should I say the Regatta came and the marquees went! Overnight winds damaged many of the marquees beyond repair. Good weather on the day made it a success especially when the dinghy fleet took to the water in high winds and gave us a thrilling spectacle. Special thanks must go to those concerned. Some of the funds raised were held back to finance the replacement equipment.

I will not list all the functions, meetings and events I attended. I know the chairs are comfortable – but not that comfortable! Suffice it to say that I found them informative, enjoyable and sometimes tediously boring. During some of these meetings forces outside our control drove decisions. They were not made lightly and even if some members do not agree with them I ask you to remember they were always made in the club's best interests. The interests of members always come first, without them we do not have a club.

Lastly and probably to your relief I have 3 small requests:

If you have any ideas to improve the club, let us know.

If you have any grumbles, tell us - we do not have a crystal ball.

If you are happy, let others know about the club. We can then all benefit.

I wish you all a great Christmas, a great New Year and an even greater sailing season.

Derek Underwood



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Rear Commodore Sailing Report

You may recall that last year the position of Rear Commodore was shared between the members of the sailing committee throughout the year. At the last AGM I was happy to take the role on a full time basis, and over the year I have tried my best to keep everything running as smoothly as possible.

I hope you will agree with me that has in fact been a very good year all round for the club. On the sailing side the Warm-up series was well attended and there were also reasonable numbers through the spring, summer and autumn series. We are now into the Winter Series again.

Membership for the current year is shown as £165. It should read £160. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank the cruiser members of the club who are helping out with the safety boat duties. If it were not for them we could not get so many boats on the water.

Some other notable events include the N12 Open Meeting when we had 15 entries and our own Luke Layzell was in the winning boat.

In July a number of our members travelled to participate in the North Norfolk Week. Michael Ettershank did very well coming 2nd in the Laser fleet.

Cruiser members have also had a busy and enjoyable year. We had a fantastic number of boats taking part in the club cruise in June. The weather was good as was the company and sailing. I think that as a result of this success, other cruises have also been well attended.

Finally there are some initiatives for next year. These include a full dinghy-park reorganisation. Work has already started on tidying up the boat shed.

Penny Yarwood.



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Rear Commodore, House Report

The social events have once again all been very well supported throughout the year. Thank you to all that have taken part.

Our Annual Regatta was in danger of being blown away but fortunately all came right in the end and we raised considerable sums for the nominated charities and saw some spectacular sailing.

All the club work parties have been well attended and the clubhouse and grounds kept in good order. Special thanks must go to those people who turn up to every work party. Also very many thanks go to all the people who have carried out other jobs throughout the year in and around the clubhouse and grounds. They know who they are and I will not name names for fear of missing someone.

This year the main improvement to the clubhouse has been the addition of the conservatory and decking, which have provided more space for social events and better facilities for wet sailors. It also provided a replacement venue for the Cliff Reach BBQ which was cancelled due to bad weather.

As you are all aware we also held the Dinner, Dance and Prize-Giving “in house” this year. Gill and Richard from Affinity 1777 did us proud with an excellent meal and everyone had a good evening. Feedback has been generally positive and the new Commodore and new House Committee will decide what happens next year. I would like to say thank you for the absolutely beautiful bouquet of flowers that was presented to me on the night.

I would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who has helped and supported me during 3 years as Rear Commodore House. I am obviously very disappointed that, at this time, no one has come forward to take on the role for next year.



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Hon. Treasurer's Report

(Copies of the Income/Expenditure account were circulated)

This is the second year of only having an income & expenditure report; therefore, it is easy to compare the two years.

I will quickly run through the movement in the accounts.

Income

Subscriptions are up slightly due to the increase in the annual subscription. I have shown the boat registration separately as I was requested to do at last year's AGM.

The bar shows down from last year but this is reached purely by deducting expenditure from income and meeting the cost of the Bar Steward. However, when taking into account stock brought forward and carried forward the profit margin on the Bar is 46%, which is better than last year.

The kitchen obviously did very well this year.

Interest is up very slightly.

Social events show a large profit this is mainly from Dinner-dance Christmas party, quiz night and the fitting out supper. Prices have been adjusted on the dinner-dance and there is very little profit this year.

Regatta balance is down slightly but it was an exceptionally successful day and donations totalling £500 were made to RNLI, Heartwatch, Strokebusters and Rochford Tractor Club.

Various donations were received including £8000 towards the conservatory.

Race fees are up only because some fees for Sept 07 were not banked until Oct and,



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therefore, are in this year's figures.

Sundry is partly for non-attendance at work parties plus the sale of a dinghy.

Regalia products were sold this year and no additional stock purchased.

Expenditure

Rent etc. is up as last year was not a full year at the new rent for the field, also council tax has increased as we haven't been given such a large discount as previously.

Heating and lighting is down, which is a surprise. We believe we are feeling the benefit of the new double-glazed doors and windows.

Trade refuse. There was a concern at the increase in cost and collections have now been reduced, also RCH is considering other contractors.

Insurance, cleaning, telephone, printing and maintenance of clubhouse are all very little change from last year.

Maintenance of equipment is up, as extra work was needed on the rescue boats.

Fuel increase is as expected.

Trophies and awards up slightly and only one donations was made this year

Commodore's fund is up, no specific reason, other than more guests at dinner-dance.

Sundry substantially down on last year and includes bar licence, music licence and web page.

Profit/Loss



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This all shows a loss on the year of just over £10,500 but as we spent £14,000 on the conservatory and £1600 on decking and electric's I feel the year end balance is acceptable.

I don't feel there is anything more I can add unless there are any questions.

Barbara Yarwood

Auditor's Report

We have reviewed all the club's income and expenditure, and can confirm that all cash entries have been correctly entered on the club's ledgers.

We have also reviewed a selection of ledger entries, and are satisfied that each entry has an appropriate invoice recorded.

All cash balances as at the end of September 08 have been verified and agreed against the bank statements.

We therefore confirm to the AGM that the accounts are a true reflection of the club's income and expenditure for 2008.

Finally we want to give Barbara a big thank you for maintaining the club's accounts in such an orderly and professional manner.

Alan Parker & Ben Harris.

Rule changes

The Executive Committee proposed 1 rule change as follows:

In order to prevent any repetition of the problems encountered when the new owner of "Per Mare" left his craft on our premises for many months without either joining the club or offering any reasonable storage fee The Executive Committee proposes



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that the following be incorporated into our rules as a new clause in the section headed 11 boat park on page 12 of the rule book.

Craft belonging to non-members

The seller's responsibility

Any member selling a craft must notify an officer of the club of the proposed sale and details of the new owner

The seller must not make any undertaking committing the club to any course of action.

An officer or officers of the club will meet with the purchaser to assist as required

The new owner wishing to join the club

If the new owner wishes to join the club an application can be made, a joining fee and annual subscription paid, with launch/recovery fee (if appropriate).

If the application is unsuccessful then the matter will be treated as for a new owner not wishing to join the club.

The new owner not wishing to join the club

If the purchaser does not wish to join the club or has had an application refused the craft must be removed from the club within 1 month of the purchase date. The club will assist with launching if required. Craft that remain in the club after one month will incur a charge of £50 a month (or part month) and legal steps will be taken to remove the craft

Lapsed membership

Any member who allows their membership to lapse and leaves their craft in the



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club will be treated as “Owners who do not wish to join the club.”

Discussion & Resolution on the proposed rule change

There was a fairly wide ranging discussion and it was pointed out that, as it stood, the rule would cover craft outside the club premises.

The secretary then proposed that the heading be altered to read

“Craft on the club premises not belonging to club members”

This proposal was seconded and carried without dissent.

The original proposal, as amended was then approved without dissent.

Resolution (Proposed by the Executive Committee)

“In order to meet our expected commitments for the coming year our subscriptions shall be increased as follows:”

<u>Category</u>	<u>Present Fee</u>	<u>Proposed Fee</u>	
Single Member	£120	£130	
Family Membership	£160	£175	
Associate (Single)	£40	£45	
Associate (Family)	£50	£55	
Cadet	£35	£35	No change
Out of port	£40	£45	
Boat Registration	£30	£30	No Change
Joining Launch & Recovery	£200	£200	No change



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There was some discussion about the increase in Family Membership and the necessity for such increases while we had a balance of something in the region of £8,000. There was support for the Executive Committees policy of maintaining a considerable reserve.

The resolution was seconded by Jim Craven and passed by a vote with 2 against.

Election of Officers

	<u>Officer</u>	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
Commodore	Derek Underwood	Ken Letch	Gerry Ledger
Vice Comm.	Alan Adkin	Jim McAvoy	Steve Harris
Rear Comm. (S)	Penny Yarwood	Chris Hall	Julia Hall
Rear Comm. (H)			
Hon Treasurer	Barbara Yarwood	D. Underwood	Steve Harris
Hon Secretary	Jim McAvoy	Julia Hall	Gerry Ledger
Bar Manager	Steve Harris	D. Underwood	Chris Hall
Moorings	John Luff Smith	D. Underwood	Adrian Reynolds
House Treasurer	Adrian Reynolds	D. Underwood	Jim McAvoy
Membership Sec.	Amanda Harris	D. Underwood	Jim McAvoy

It was agreed that these nominees be voted in block.

The vote in favour was unanimous.



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Executive Committee Members other than officers

The following were all proposed and expressed a willingness to stand. M York, G Ledger, S Hatley, K Letch, D East, J Hutchinson and A Parker.

They were elected unanimously.

Election of House Committee

Pat Harris, Penny Yarwood, Alex Gore, Jim McAvoy, Adrian Reynolds, Ron Pankhurst and Pat Robins have agreed to continue in service. Liz Hutchinson volunteered to join the committee. All were approved unanimously. It was proposed and agreed by the meeting that "If a suitable person can be found, the Executive Committee be empowered to appoint that person as Rear Commodore House until the next AGM."

Sailing Committee

It was noted that the rules do not require the AGM to elect the sailing committee which used to consist of the various class captains. However Penny Harris wished to advise the meeting of the membership. The committee is made up as follows Penny Harris (RCS), Tim & Amanda Harris, Ben Harris, Adrian Reynolds, Matt Pickett, Luke Layzell & Michael Ettershank.

At this point the Commodore formally closed the AGM but stated that any points which members wished could now be raised under "**Any other business**"

Ten Year Plan

It was noted that all but one of the items on the current plan have been completed. The exception is the refurbishment of the kitchen, which was recently inspected and passed by the Local authority. Future rules may require change and it is thought



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inappropriate to spend money at present.

Suggestions for inclusion in the forward plan were invited and made as follows

- (1) Consider a comprehensive review of security
- (2) Consider supply of power to the outbuildings and the top field.
- (3) Consider surfacing the car-park and marking parking bays.
- (4) Consider hardening access to and in the top field
- (5) Keep the state of the roof under review and take remedial action as necessary
- (6) Consider the possibility of the provision of a roof terrace
- (7) Consider extending clubroom to include the current office space
- (8) Consider replacement of the flagpole
- (9) The work to move the tender park is now scheduled for early 2009. There was some concern expressed that the move of tenders might undermine security. A security chain is to be provided so that tenders may be padlocked to it.
- (10) Consider using Yale keys so doors lock automatically on closure.

These recommendations will all be considered by the Executive Committee with a view to inclusion in the plan

Summer Lay-up Fees

John Cowling read a letter from a member who proposed a reduction in the escalating fee for boats that are subject to lay up fees. The suggestion was that a cap of £100 be put in place for boats for sale (Being offered outside the club) and a cap of £200 for those not for sale. This was discussed for some time. It was noted



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that as notice had not been given by the deadline the AGM could not change the position at this time. It was pointed out that, if members feel strongly about this and can get the relevant support an EGM could be called to settle the matter.

It was suggested that, to test the feeling of the meeting a show of hands be invited. This was agreed.

All present, with the exception of 2 against and 10 abstentions voted in favour of the status quo.

Use of conservatory

Commodore was asked to explain why action had not been taken, as requested by 20 members to allow access to the conservatory when the clubroom is not open.

Commodore explained that some of the 20 members some had disassociated themselves from the “petition”.

He explained that members had failed time and time again to secure the premises and there were real fears that this failure would apply to the conservatory as well.

The Executive Committee had discussed the request at length but it was felt that the request could not be met.

It was also pointed out that a rule change would be required to allow access to such parts of the club without a key holder being present.

Votes of thanks

Thanks were expressed to all who have worked so hard for the club during the year.

A special thank you was expressed to our retiring Commodore and Rear Commodore House for their exceptional dedication and generosity