



HURLEY OWNERS ASSOCIATION RULES

1. TITLE

The full title of the Association shall be the Hurley Owners Association (HOA).

2. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Association are:

To provide a social media forum (Facebook) for the free exchange of information between people with an interest in Hurley boats.

To provide a HOA website containing historical, technical and other information about Hurley Marine boats and Members Articles.

To encourage the exchange of ideas and experience via meetings and rallies.

Keep in regular contact with members via email.

3. MEMBERSHIP

The Association membership comprises those people who are current members of the HOA Facebook Group and the Yahoo Newsgroup. People with an interest in Hurley boats may apply to the Moderator to become members.

Behaviour of members in use of social media is subject to the rules of the provider (Facebook) and will be overseen by the Moderator.

Membership of the Association is free of charge.

4. MANAGEMENT

The HOA is a virtual organisation with three components:

- a) Facebook and Yahoo Newsgroup, for member-to-member communication
- b) The web site,
- c) An email list for committee to membership communication and vice versa.

HOA will hold no personal data.

HOA will not be affiliated to any other organisation.

The administrative functions needed to support the above are:

- Oversight and Promotion of the Facebook Group and our Yahoo Newsgroup
- Maintenance of the HOA website



- Administration of HOA funds to support the above, principally:
- Residual actions arising from pre-Feb 2019 commitments;
- Payments for web hosting.
- Management of the email list.

The administrative affairs of the Association will be managed by a committee comprising:

Chairman

Financial Secretary

Webmaster

Social Media Moderator

These posts are voluntary. The Committee may, entirely at its own discretion, co-opt other members and/or appoint replacement members.

5. Annual General Meeting

The AGM is an informal gathering of committee and members, which can be seen as little more than a shore-based social event with a bit a business to discuss. The purpose is:

- Discuss the financial health of HOA, including opportunities for fund raising.
- Discuss forthcoming events
- Identify potential new committee members
- Invite members to discuss issues with the Committee
- Exchange experience and ideas.
- And generally get to know each other.

6. Finance and Accounts

The Committee will maintain oversight of HOA's financial reserves and will restrict expenditure to that which is strictly necessary to operate the Association.

The Committee has full authority to expend HOA funds for these purposes.

The Finance Secretary will maintain full financial audited records and post a brief financial statement on the website after the close of each financial year.



The Committee may approach the membership for voluntary donations at any time in order to support the Association's objectives (principally paying for web hosting) in order to protect the archives.

7. Winding-up

If for any reason it becomes necessary to wind-up the HOA's affairs, members will be kept fully informed via Facebook and the website as soon as such a situation arises. Such action will not be taken until all possible alternatives have been explored. The Committee has full authority to wind-up the Association when no alternative has been identified.

Any financial reserves remaining at wind-up once liabilities have been paid will be donated to the RNLI.

Residual merchandise, assets and HOA archived data will be disposed of at the discretion of the committee.

8. Events

HOA may organize events from time to time but these shall be limited to static events, ie 'dry' meetings in pubs, clubs etc, or water based meetings in marinas, yacht clubs or recognized anchorages.

The HOA will not organise a 'moving event', ie sail past, flotilla sail without the support of the full committee.

Attendance at any HOA event is on the strict understanding that individuals are solely responsible for their actions, and skippers are solely responsible for every aspect of the management of their boat and crew. Further, all skippers must ensure they have adequate third party insurance.

Membership of the HOA is free of charge and the Association relies on donations for financial support. All boats attending a HOA rally will be asked for a voluntary contribution, with a £5 target. Exception will be made for those skippers currently donating and Life Members of the Association.

9. Mailing List

The HOA shall maintain an electronic mailing list of its Members.

- The list will be kept by a third-party professional mailing organisation. HOA will not keep personal records. The external company will allow members to opt in or out whenever they like without input from HOA management.
- In order to maintain the validity of the list, it will be deleted at the end of December each year and currently enrolled members will be invited to re-enrol.
- Members enrol via an on-line form.



- Management of the mailing list will be via Username / Password combination which will be kept securely in line with current legislation. It will never be passed to any third party.

10. Purpose of Mailing List

The mailing list is to be the sole method of communication between the committee and the membership. In particular:

- The committee will produce, on a regular basis, a brief newsletter to be sent to the membership.
- Notice of Official meetings, ie AGM
- Notice of social events.