



**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
1000 SATURDAY 27th FEBRUARY 2016
AT THE ROYAL PLYMOUTH CORINTHIAN YACHT CLUB**

Members present:

Tim Sharman (Chairman), Ian Sinclair (Treasurer), Mike Carter, Rod and Donia Coomber, Bruce and Vicki Carter, Tony Littlewood, Ian Atkinson, Ray Aston, Colin Spraggs, Ralph Smith, John Baynes, Tom and Chris Eaves, Bob Holder, Adam Husband, Steve Dart, James Green.

Apologies had been received from:

James Hester, Jacques Jongneel, Nick Vass, Arnold Williams, Phil Kirby, Steve Rumsey, John Wheeler, Mike Sheridan, Alurie Dutton, Colin Curtis, Kevin Mitchell

1. Minutes of last meeting

These had been on the website for some time and there were only two outstanding actions:

Claire Templar had been tasked to produce a scoping/feasibility paper for a new approach to the internet/website forum. Post-meeting note: TS has contacted CT who has not forgotten about the action and will produce a paper by the summer.

Nick Vass had been going to provide a proposal to the Committee on financial assistance to measurement of H22s, to facilitate racing. Post-meeting note: TS contacted NV and as there has been no further enquiries from the membership about this, no further action is intended. H22s can race as 'unrated cruisers'.

The minutes were approved.

2. Chairman's report

Tim said that his full report was on the website. He considered that the affairs of the association were in very good order; Ian was doing an excellent job with the finances; the website was proving its worth as a source of all knowledge about Hurley boats; and the Yahoo group provided a very useful forum for answers to questions.

No Newsletter had been issued recently for lack of an editor (Mike Sheridan used to produce a paper version and though there had been volunteers to take over no one had actually done so!) so a new approach had been developed with a News and Events page on the website – just one page at present with links to individual news items. Nick Vass was running a Facebook page which filled the slot to some extent,

but members had to join Facebook. The technology was not really a problem, just the need for someone to do it!

The photo competition had again proved very successful after a slow start and had provided pictures for the calendar.

3. Membership

Ian said that the numbers did fluctuate as was to be expected in a society such as this, but they were fairly stable and there was an archive of past members. Current membership stands at 290 (see Annex A). In response to a question he said that he did attempt to follow up leavers, but mostly they just didn't pay their subscriptions and never responded even though he did prompt them up to the end of May.

We also had a new life member, Colin Curtis, an ex-employee of Hurley Marine who now lived in Florida where he sails a Hurley Tailwind.

4. Treasurer's report; accounts for 2015; budget 2016

Ian tabled the audited statement of accounts (see Annex A) which showed a very comfortable state of affairs – the income had been greater than budgeted and the expenditure had been less. The increased funds balance would be needed to support the celebrations around the 50th anniversary of the H22 later this year. We had received sponsorship from Muse Developments of £1000 towards the cost of BYHH

The organisation was very economical – the committee only met once a year for which expenses were paid and other interactions were by e-mail.

5. Elections to the Committee

None of the current committee had expressed a desire to resign so there would be no need for an election. Tom Eaves proposed that the Committee be re-elected en bloc and this was agreed. Tim said that any members who wished to join the Committee would be welcome.

6. 50th anniversary of the H22

All the main strands for BYHH were now in place. Some 40 boats (or more) were expected to congregate at King Point Marina for two nights. There would be an area specifically allocated to Hurley boats and HOA had pre-booked 40 spaces at a cost of £1400 which HOA would pay (Members arriving early or staying late would have to pay for the extra days). Adam Husband briefed on the arrangements for berthing at King Point.

The marina would provide a drinks reception on the Friday evening. Plymouth Gin had offered to provide souvenir miniatures and Muse Developments (who had a large building development in the area) had promised £1000. The events of the weekend would be focussed on RPCYC where George Hurley had been a member.

Steve Dart gave a slideshow presentation of our outline plans for the event. (This is available on the website) and went over the detailed plans for the Sail Past. Boats would leave the marina and cluster off Drakes Island, before sailing (under power with mainsail hoisted) in 'line astern' behind the lead boat flying a large white HOA rally flag. The route will lead to Ash buoy off RPCYC and then leaving the RIB to starboard so that the photographer, in the RIB, could take pictures of them with

Smeaton's tower in the background. Boats would then turn back and make their way independently back to King Point. Detailed sailing instructions would be provided to each boat. There was discussion about insurance and liability during the Sail Past. Steve Dart said he would discuss with RPCYC how they handled this for their racing programme. Tim Sharman said he would review the Sailing Directions for the Sail Past.

On the Saturday evening there would be a supper at the Royal Plymouth Corinthian Yacht Club (£17 each including a welcome drink). Members of the Hurley family would be special guests with Mrs Hurley being the Guest of Honour. It was expected that there would be around 80 people. Some local members would be needed as guides/hosts for our guests. Local Hurley owners would be very welcome and a prize would be awarded for the longest passage to get there. Dress would be smart casual. James Green briefed about the production of a small commemorative 'bulkhead plaque' which would be given to all members attending.

On the Sunday morning at 1100 members of the Anderson and Hurley families and the assembled company would walk to Richmond Walk where, either on the first of the one time Hurley factory buildings or on the railings on the approach, a 'blue plaque' would be unveiled by, it was hoped, Mrs Hurley. The press would be invited to attend. James Green will contact the Plymouth City Council City & Maritime Heritage Curator, Nigel Overton, to confirm that this proposal is making progress.

Ian Sinclair would shortly be sending out a Google form to all members so that they could book their places.

8. AOB

Andy Thomas, Rear Commodore (Sail) from RPCYC expressed his pleasure that the HOA were going to base their weekend functions at the club where the Silhouettes, at one time as many as 70 boats, used to meet.

Robin Price, the photographer for the event, showed some of the sort of pictures he would hope to be taking, demonstrating the skills which were necessary. There was discussion of the plans for photographing the Sail Past.

9. Date of next meeting

To be decided.

HURLEY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Financial Statement for the year 1st Jan 2015 to 31st Dec 2015

<u>2015</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Opening balance	£3,906.95	
Income		
Subscriptions	2641.04	2500.00
Burgee sales	207.18	150.00
Book sales	89.29	150.00
Calendar sales	157.21	0.00
Other income	10.00	0.00
	£3,104.72	£2,800.00
Expenses		
Calendars	127.18	0.00
Misc. (Room hire, overpayment)	66.25	300.00
Printing	89.30	130.00
Photo competition	200.00	0.00
Consumables	25.68	100.00
Postage	353.56	420.00
Fees	120.00	220.00
Committee expenses	581.82	1100.00
50 th Anniversary	100.00	200.00
	£1,663.79	£2,470.00
Closing balance	£5,347.88	
Assets/Stock		
Books	39 @ 10.00	390.00
Burgees	14 @ 17.50	245.00
Calendars	3 @ 7.00	21.00
Total Assets		£656.00

Other (nil value) assets

Scanner, boat reviews, accounts software, 10 large burgees.

The above is a true statement of the Accounts of the Association

T. Sharman, Chairman



I. Sinclair, Treasurer



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AGM 28th February 2015

2015 MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership before removing non-payers end May	303	(308 in 2014)
Did not renew	62	(93 in 2014)
New in since March 2014	65	(70 in 2014)
Current total	290	(283 in 2014)

Note that membership numbers include life members.

New Life Member

We are pleased to welcome Colin Curtis as a new life member. Colin is an ex-employee of Hurley Marine. He now lives in Florida where he sails his Hurley Tailwind.