



## The Beverley Barge Preservation Society

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### AUGUST MEETING MINUTES

12th AUGUST 2010 @ 7-30pm ONBOARD MOTOR VESSEL 'SYNTAN'

*Those on board:* Iain Campbell, Bill Gillyon, Peter Bristow, Barry Freeman, Dave Tulloch, Eddie Cunningham, Dave Pearce, Neville Holgate, John Hancock, Pete Botterill, Joyce Gillyon, A Hardwidge, P Hardwidge, John Whittles, Alfred McClean.

Chairman welcomed the management committee and Society members aboard.

#### *Apologies:*

Dorothy Bristow, Joyce & Geoff Holgate, John Hunter, Phil Allen, Sue Holgate, John Allen, Bill Cooper, Jim Gillyon, Gavin Bonell, Paul Bonnell, Kevin Fish, Hannah Malisewska, Jeremy Harthill, Eric Johnson, Rex Fawcett, Jan France, Michael Cougill, Irene Clarke, Brian Holmes, Stuart Pinchbeck, Jenny Brown, John Mc Lean.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Chairman and accepted as a true record. It was asked why the minutes of the meetings are being posted on the website and that it was thought not to be good practice. The subject was debated at length and finally it was agreed by a majority vote that it was acceptable to continue this practice.

#### *Matters arising from the previous meeting.*

It was reported that the Society's accounts would be a month later than expected from the accountants.

#### *Finances:*

The treasurer was absent but a full report on the present finances would be available for the next meeting.

#### *Membership:*

During the past month we have enlisted eight new members, with sixty eight renewals and three junior members.

#### *Correspondence:*

The Society had received a letter from Churches Together at York thanking the Society for their participation with the Archbishop and his trip along the Ouse.

#### *Junior Section:*

No report was available as no members were present from the junior section.

#### *Barge Bookings:*

There is one more trip scheduled for August this being on the 19<sup>th</sup> a crew has been arranged. There is a meeting arranged for 23<sup>rd</sup> to discuss and make arrangements for an Open Day to show off 'Syntan' to commercial business in the area with the purpose of selling her as a venue for meetings, etc.

#### *Sun:*

It was reported by Eddie Cunningham that it was felt that we should try to have the canopy fitted before the onset of bad weather, this would allow for internal work to continue during the winter months. However without a considerable injection of cash this would seem highly unlikely. The Chairman is looking at fund raising issues along with the treasurer.

#### *Syntan Maintenance:*

Next year will see the need for Syntan to be dry docked for a hull survey, bottom scrape and paint along with any remedial work. There is still a major doubt as to whether the Beverley dry dock will be available to us, therefore alternative locations will need to be investigated. Bill Gillyon will speak to MMS to obtain costs for the work to be done at their premises at Alexander Dock.

#### *Health and Safety:*

The anchor was discussed as two people have recently tripped over it, fortunately without serious consequence but it was felt that a smaller anchor would be more suitable. The meeting was informed that a smaller anchor had been donated for the "Sun" and that this would be used on "Syntan" arrangements to be reassessed when the "Sun" comes on stream.

#### *Any other Business:*

The question of the insurance was discussed and it was agreed that alternative quotes would be sought to see if a better and cheaper alternative can be found.

*The meeting was closed and the date for the next monthly meeting was set for 9<sup>th</sup> September.*