



The Beverley Barge Preservation Society

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MEETING MINUTES MAY 2011

Chairman welcomed the committee and all the Society members aboard. Apologies were received from J Mager, B Freeman and D Tulloch.

The minutes of the April meeting were read and accepted as a true record. But the minutes were headed March - this to be amended.

Matters Arising:

No matters arising from previous meeting.

Finances:

The Treasurer reported that the finance reports for the year ending were not yet ready for presentation to the auditors. Date for the AGM set at 5th July it was recommended that this follows the normal monthly meeting.

Membership:

It was reported that so far 23 members had renewed membership.

Correspondence:

The only correspondence received was an email from Mike Metzler to inform the Society that a new screen was to be installed in the pump at the lock 25/26th May; there would be no passage through the lock during these dates, alternative arrangements to be made if we need to be through.

Junior Section:

No report.

Syntan Bookings:

The visit of the civic guests from Lemgo in Germany was a great success with everyone enjoying the day. The vessel with visitors on board was taken up the Beck through the lock and turned at Weel, before returning.

The marketing manager from the Leeds Festival visited the barge to look at options for our visit, he was very impressed with what he saw and would look at what we can offer to the festivities. Tony will go to the venue to see for himself the berths and possibilities of undertaking trips while there.

Henry Smith's family wish a trip to the Humber to scatter his ashes, this is scheduled for Saturday 14th June. The individual trips have been scheduled for 1st July and 12th August, bookings are going well.

Syntan open days:

Volunteers have agreed to man the vessel for the first four weeks of opening, we will assess the results at the next meeting and take it from there.

Sun Sponsor Event:

Iain will be asking for sponsors for his month long canal trip, with proceeds going to the Sun restoration. The membership wished him luck with the trip.

Health and Safety:

It was pointed out that the fire extinguishers are due to be tested, Eddie Cunningham kindly volunteered to take care of the matter.

Any other Business:

It was brought to the attention of the meeting that we were still awaiting the arrival of the new anchor, Tony and Eddie to chase the matter.

Meeting closed at 9-15pm

Date of next meeting is Thursday 9th June 2011.