

Royal Naval Amateur Radio Society

Hon. Secretary LS Martin Longbottom

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MINUTES

Committee Meeting Thursday 29 July 2021 - 19:00, held via Zoom VTC

[Covid-19 pandemic - Shack remains closed.]

1. Chairman's opening remarks

The acting Chair (JK) opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Present:

Joe Kirk, G3ZDF(memb. sec.) [JK]
Kevin Lamb, G4BUW [KL]
Martin Longbottom, M0EHL (Sec) [ML]
Adrian Mori, 2E0JVM (Tres.) [AM]
Bob New, G0BSJ [BN]
Wally Walker, G4DIU [WW]

2. Apologies for absence

Mike Moore, M6POY David Firth, M0SLL, (chair) Pete Milsom, G4GSA

3. Minutes of the last meeting

The previous meeting minutes have been circulated, the chair asked if anyone had any comments.

Proposal to accept the minutes

Proposed ML

Seconded WW

4. Matters arising.

Vacancy for the commodities manager

5. Secretary's report

Included below

6. Collingwood Sitrep

A number of slightly differing pieces of information. On the one hand the Chair had been informed access was now available, the information from the pass office was that pass paperwork can be submitted, but access won't be available until after the summer main leave period. (Sept)

7. Membership Secretary's report

Included below

8. Treasurer's report

Current £1855.26

Deposit £7064.61

FTD £36322.18

AM reiterated his previous note that we are marginally spending more than income over the year, reasonably solvent but something to keep an eye on.

Our Radcom advert has been renewed for 3 months - £92.22

It was agreed that this remains reasonable for the time being.

Equipment insurance has been renewed - an inventory needs to be undertaken at some point to ensure that our insurance matches our needs and is still appropriate.

9. Managers's Reports

a. Shack Manager

No report

b. QSL Manager

The QSL manager reported that he's had no activity, and at the moment is not too well.

c. Web Site

Continues to be updated, nothing significant to report.

d. Area Rep Coordinator

Very little change to the current situation. The key one is the Lincoln rally which is being held over till next year.

The only other one is the Flight refuelling rally - it looks like changed dates, but haven't yet got the new dates. We usually have some presence there.

A few other rallies were discussed.

e. Commodities Manager

Position vacant

Mike Moore has stated there has been no trading

f. G3CRS/A

Very positive response is still there from amateurs around the UK, Europe and the world. Particularly so from service people and veterans.

10. Magazine Advertising

We have a number of companies who have agreed to a number of adverts, some for several issues and some for a single issue. The advertisers were discussed with the committee, so the current pleasing outcome is that this will help defray costs of producing a newsletter.

KL will continue to engage with potential advertisers, and the treasurer to deal with invoicing.

11. AGM preparations

JK had managed to obtain pricing from the Maritime club in Portsmouth. But they had also confirmed they were fully booked up. ML hadn't managed to yet obtain any further information as to alternative service venues which could be used. He suggested that Zoom could be used with Blockhouse for those who could attend in person. With reference to Zoom, we need to also agree that the account used for the committee meetings and the AGM is renewed. Approx cost is

JK suggested that it may be better to make a firm decision to just stick to a virtual AGM

It was proposed to hold a Zoom AGM again this year, for two principal reasons. Expense of a private venue, with every chance this would not be recoverable if the booking had to be cancelled. Secondly, the desire to continue being able to involve many who would not otherwise be able to attend in person.

(Editor note: Streaming an in person meeting is not something that we can do yet.)

Proposed: WW Seconded: ML Unanimously passed 11. Date of next meeting

Agreed for the 9 Sept 21

The acting Chair closed the meeting at 2024 hrs

ANNEX A

SECRETARY REPORT

The lads who worked in the shack did a really good number of tasks. I've no doubt we'll get a more thorough breakdown of what they've done from Ian, MOLIH at some point. However key tasks have included looking at replacement of the damaged winch, and moving all the stored equipment from above the false ceiling over the heads area. These have been relocated to our store in Marlborough building. I managed to pop in briefly on a few days when I was on some leave.

I also have some good news to report. I've had Dale, our building manager, in touch with regards to amenity passes last week. The status quo remains until after the summer leave at the earliest, but he's now willing to start accepting paperwork for passes. This is going to be with a view to producing the passes ready for the word from the establishment that they are happy for them to actually be issued. As you may be aware whilst Dale runs the engraving studio and is our building manager, he's also the main point of contact for the pass office and he manages much of the personnel in there. I will look to submit the applications I already have, and see if these are still acceptable given the amount of time which has passed. I'll provide a further update once I get more information on a date when we can re-open and I will be available to sort out the admin for this.

Please bear in mind that, as with much of the current situation, overall MOD guidance has often lagged behind government decisions. Then establishments have to implement their own process and policies in turn. This can take some time, so please be patient and I'd request everyone to please refrain from ringing around or asking guardroom staff etc. It's likely this information will not have been disseminated widely yet, so keep patient and either I, David or Joe will be in touch soon once we have the go ahead.

Martin M0EHL

ANNEX B

MEMBERSHIP SECRETARY REPORT

Membership Secretary's Report Committee 29 July 2021

Membership Changes since last committee meeting

New Members						
Paul Goodhall	MM3JFM	5136				
Glyn Price	M6XQE	5137				
Larry Bennett	G4HLN	5138				
John Proudfoot	G4ISS	5139				
Paul Walters	G8JGF	5140				
Giuseppe Alberti	I2AZ	5141				
Corey Dalton	SWL	5142				
Thomas Abbey	SWL	5143				
Re-joiners						
Jonathan Chapman	G4FMG	4476				
Kevin Ball	G1DKB	2500				
Changes						
Resigned						
S ilent Keys						
Stan Alston (life member)	G4VSR	2906				
Stan Sheath	M3MUB	4866				
Vernon Elliott	GOIGB	4057				
Tom Reilly (was lapsed)	GONSY	4268				
John Hughes	G4KGT	1364				
Ted Trowell	G2HKU	0357				

Membership Totals									
Type Of Membership	Current	Free	Life	Under25	Total				
Affiliate	15	5	0	0	20				
Associate	129	1	13	0	143				
Corporate	356	3	63	3	425				
Family	6	0	0	0	6				
Honorary	1	1	0	0	2				
Total	507	10	76	3	596				

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ANNEX C

Managers reports