

Carrick Castle Boat Club

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
at 8pm on 10th March 2006 at Rhumhor, Carrick Castle, Argyll

- 1) Liz Evans, Chairman, welcomed the members to the meeting.
In attendance – Liz Evans, Douglas Locke, Robert White, Claire France, Forrester Cockburn, Alison Cockburn, Graham Mathie, Mick Watts, Clare Fyfe and guest speaker Jack Lavender.
- 2) Apologies were received from Jim McKenna, Chris and Hilary Atkinson, Nigel and Jane Richardson, Ken Johnston, John O’Kane and Bill Miller.
- 3) Douglas Locke, Mooring Officer, gave an overview of the Carrick Castle Boat Club. The main purpose of the club being to obtain the 50% reduction in the cost of The Crown Estate mooring fees for its members. Other matters were referred to under other Agenda items below.
- 4) He explained that The Crown Estate has changed the licence and financial periods from April to March to January to December annually. The period now runs for complete years and that members have to pay the club the fees by 15th December annually so that the fees can be paid to The Crown Estate by 31st December. The membership of the club is now comprised of 18 members with 23 moorings and 1 associate member without a mooring.
- 5) The group mooring inspection scheme was well taken up in 2005. There are however only seven moorings requested to be serviced on 14th March 2006 by Neil Cunningham. Neil Cunningham has apologised for the delay in sending out his invoices and promises to send these out very shortly after the next inspections have been carried out. Members were reminded that boat names and maximum weights should be marked on their moorings. Two moorings in 2005 had shifted by visitors’ overweight yachts using club member’s moorings that had not been marked. It was mentioned that there is no come back on the visiting yacht if there is no maximum weight shown. Douglas Locke would be in attendance all day on 14th March to see that member’s moorings were serviced as requested.
- 6) Rob White had not yet been able to put together a basic Draft Constitution but would be doing it as soon as possible. Then the draft would be e-mailed out to members for comment, amendments and suggestions so that the Constitution could be in place for confirmation at the next meeting.
- 7) There was no further news on the Carrick Castle Pier.
- 8) Following two very successful musters and barbeques on the beach at Swine’s Hole in 2004 and 2005, it was decided to hold a further one on Sunday 13th August 2006 at 12 noon, again in Swine’s Hole. All members are welcome.

- 9) Claire France was thanked for her work on the club's website and Douglas Locke for updating the news items on a regular basis. Members were reminded to look at the web site on a regular basis. Members, who have e-mail, receive club news through the e-mail List Server. It was explained that if you reply to those e-mails, all members receive a copy of the reply. If you wish to reply to the club on a private basis you should use the e-mail address Moorings@carrick-castle-boat-club.co.uk.
- 10) Other social activities suggested were a club dinner in the autumn in a member's house whereby an event such as Trafalgar Night on 23rd October is celebrated. Members who wish to attend would each bring part of the meal so that the preparation is shared. The committee members will make a proposal for the autumn.
- 11) The accounts for the club were presented to the members and approved. These can be viewed on the web site. The club has made a profit to 10th March 2006 of £211.40. Douglas Locke explained that he spends about two full days a year on club administration work. There were 103 incoming e-mails and 134 outgoing e-mails dealt with in the last year. The members thanked Douglas for all his hard work that was much appreciated.
- 12) It was decided that the club membership fee should remain at £5.00 per annum for 2007. The membership period was also to fall into line with The Crown Estate's financial period of January to December annually. Membership fees would also be payable by 15th December each year.
- 13) The members re-elected Liz Evans as Chairman, Robert White as Vice-Chairman and Douglas Locke as Mooring Officer/Treasurer.
- 14) The subject of a club burgee was brought up again. The difficulty to date had been the lack of anyone being able or knowing an artist able to prepare a logo. It was still felt that a goose was appropriate as Carrick Castle still had its resident geese. Further enquiries will be carried out by the committee and costs sought. Once this had been achieved the members would be advised.
- 15) Jack Lavender then showed the members a video on a large screen of 'Viking' on her last voyage from Carrick Castle to Kip. He gave a very informative talk throughout the video of the motor launch's history and more... Jack was thanked for coming and giving the members an insight of the earlier history of boating in Carrick Castle. Rob White and Claire France were thanked for hosting the meeting in their home and for serving the members with wine and snacks donated to the club by Jack Lavender and the Committee members.

The meeting lasted for approximately 2 ¼ hours.