



Watermouth Yacht Club

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Newsletter May 2021

Commodore's Column

Hello my hearties,

As I am penning this the sun is streaming down, the sea is kind and the summer appears to be here with thoughts going to barbecues. It looks good for the opening date of the WYC on 26 June. The harbour is looking extremely tidy, thanks to Rob's sterling efforts.

I look forward to seeing you all very soon.

Kind regards,

Robert Johnson, Commodore

Treasurer's Report

In the normal course of events, I would be writing this column after an Annual General Meeting during which the preceding year's accounts would have been discussed. These are anything but normal times and current figures, compared to those in the previous 'Ahoy', do not reflect the significant events at the end of the last financial year, most notably the costs of renovation. I have therefore included a copy of the audited account for 2020 which may be considered the stepping stone to where we are now.

However, the present headline figures are as follows:

Income

Subscriptions (Inc. mooring premium)	£ 5,665.00
Bar	£ 0,000.00
Social	£ 0,000.00

Expenditure

Insurance	£ 1,225.15
Moorings	£ 690.00
Sailing and RYA subscriptions	£ 180.00
Utilities	£ 331.87
Maintenance	£ 928.02

Cash at bank (current account) £ 4,763.62

Cash at bank (reserve account) £15,000.00

Going forward, there will be further spend on rendering works to the rear of the building and bar restocking in anticipation of celebrations to come!

WATERMOUTH YACHT CLUB


RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

1 JANUARY 2020 - 31 DECEMBER 2020

	RECEIPTS	PAYMENTS	BALANCE
Bar & Equipment	£15.00	£0.00	£15.00
Subs	£2,888.00	£1,115.00	£1,773.00
Social	£0.00	£20.09	-£20.09
Dinner/Dance	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Showers	£178.20	£175.11	£3.09
Keys	£85.00	£0.00	£85.00
Bank Interest/Charges	£11.69	£0.00	£11.69
Misc	£0.00	£70.00	-£70.00
Ahoy	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Maintenance	£33.60	£12,035.74	-£12,002.14
Electricity	£565.00	£760.02	-£195.02
Gas	£0.00	£105.91	-£105.91
Pool Table	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Cleaning	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Insurance	£0.00	£1,042.68	-£1,042.68
Moorings	£0.00	£690.00	-£690.00
Secretary's Expenses	£0.00	£14.64	-£14.64
Treasurer's Expenses	£0.00	£8.91	-£8.91
Sailing & RYA Subs	£0.00	£180.00	-£180.00
Business Rates	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
Water Charges	£20.00	£282.00	-£262.00
Grants & Donations	£10,040.00	£0.00	£10,040.00
Sales	£40.00	£0.00	£40.00
Corporation Tax	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
	£13,876.49	£16,500.10	-£2,623.61

BANK ACCOUNTS	CURRENT	RESERVE	TOTAL
Opening Balance	£10,233.30	£10,000.00	£20,233.30
Transfers	-£5,000.00	£5,000.00	
Receipts	£13,876.49		
	£19,109.79		
Payments	£16,500.10		
Closing Balance	£2,609.69	£15,000.00	£17,609.69

BAR STOCKTAKE PERCENTAGE SURPLUS 100.00%

AUDITOR SIGNATURE.....  DATE 3/2/21

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I look forward to seeing you all soon in our newly refurbished club.

Steve Barron, Treasurer

New Members

We are very pleased to welcome to new Members

Martin & Angela Burton	"Blue Fin"	Warrior 165
Michael & Julie Turton	"Bonnie"	Orkney Orkadian 20
Kenneth Dawes	"Kitty B"	Seawich 19
Greg & Sharon Lang	"Elizabeth"	Jaguar 25
Chris Smith	"Barracuda"	Tamar 2000
Simon Roberts	"Jeldi Jeldi"	Westerly Merlin
Jamie & Linda Petrie	"Doriana"	(Dory) Westerly Centaur
Paul Bloomfield & Charlotte Hunter	"Manatee"	Starfish 8
Joshua Baker	No boat	
Nigel Davidson & Adam	"Sapphire"	Beneteau Antares

Carol Gell, Membership Secretary

Maintenance

There has been ongoing work on the Clubhouse during the restrictions.

Apart from the internal refurbishing of the club, the outside power points in the boat park have been replaced and mounted on a new concrete post which is more robust and will not rot like the old wooden post, thank you Simon

All the emergency lights have been replaced with new LED versions as most of the old lights needed new batteries and new lights were only a few pounds more than the cost of replacing the batteries. The Rear of the club should have had a textured top coat to match the new rendering by now but clearly the weather has not been suitable.

The paving slabs on the patio in front of the club have been cleaned and the joints raked out, thank you Tanya & Mike and we have paid to have the joints cemented so no more weeding every year.

Next task is to tidy up the Club dinghy rack area and get rid of the roof tiles and other stuff that has accumulated near the front door and to remove the old deflated and unnamed dinghies.

Dates for your Diary

Subject to Covid restrictions ending on the 21st June, we are planning these social events to get the club back up to speed

26 th June	Opening night for our newly refurbished Club Free drink and nibbles through the evening for everyone Come and see the difference !
10 th July	1 st BBQ hosted by Rob Laura
TBA	2 more BBQ's 2 x Quiz nights Games Night Possibility of a talk by UK Border Force

Sneak Peek of the refurbished Clubhouse



Clubhouse available for Private Functions



A huge thank you to all who have helped with the transformation of the Club room. I'm reluctant to name individuals in case I miss someone but you all know who you are.

FYI, now the Club refurbishment is complete, the Committee have decided to formalise making it available to Members wishing to hold small private functions. Booking forms will be behind the bar shortly with pricing and guidance as to the terms and conditions.

Member's Guests

Following a discussion at the last Committee meeting I've been asked to remind everyone that WYC is a Members Club and, as per the terms of our Lease, WYC Constitution and Liquor License, Members' Guests must be signed into the Visitors Book AND that Guests are not allowed to purchase drinks at the bar.

It is not unknown for the Licensing Dept of the local authority to use a Mystery Shopper to check if non-members are being served. It happened to us some time ago, so it could happen again. If we are caught in breach, it would compromise our license and that will be bad news for all of us !!

From our Lease

11. Not to sell or supply any alcoholic liquor on the demised premises except to members of the club and their bona fide guests

From WYC Constitution

19. GUESTS

- a) *Any member shall be entitled to introduce two guests to the Club, provided that no person whose application for membership has been declined or who has been expelled from the Club shall be introduced as a guest. The member introducing a guest shall enter the guest's name(s) in the book, which shall be kept in the Clubhouse. Such guests may be introduced no more than four times in any one year.*

My understanding is that a member & partner have equal voting rights, ergo a Member AND Partner can each introduce two Guests, but I am willing to be corrected if that understanding is incorrect.

In Memoriam

It is with regret that we announce the passing of former member and committee member, Colin Goodyear. Colin was well known at the harbour and often substituted for the Harbour Master during holiday periods. After a brief but determined fight, Colin succumbed to his illness on 10 May 2021. RIP.

Also, In February, Anne Daniels, partner to Brian Jones. Anne was WYC Secretary when Bryan was Commodore, around 2000. Anne was well known in North Devon being the general manager of a group of retirement homes. RIP