

BMBS club meeting minutes

1st May 2019

Chairman's opening remarks

Thanks to Sally for organising the children's Easter Egg Hunt, and to all the girls in the galley on the recent event days.

Apologies

Matthew Cooper, Ian Yates, Paul Beardshaw, John Jenkinson, Alf Lee, Mike Dawes, Arthur Pickering and Brian Bennett.

Minutes from previous club meeting on 3rd April 2019

Read aloud by the chairman and all members present agreed they were a true record of proceedings.

Matters arising from those minutes

NADs buoys, no conclusion as yet regarding renewal of the buoys.

The truck/quarry area is still undergoing upgrade work, once completed the committee will arrange suitable placement of the benches in the area.

Regarding CCTV. The committee has set a budget for this of £300, consideration has been given to the limitations of our site in regards to electricity supply and progress will be made soon with installation of more than one system, each with multiple cameras.

Letters of thanks have been sent to both North Wolds and Hornsea Lions clubs for their generous donations towards works on the buggy and truck track sites.

News on Fraisthorpe windfarm grant to be discussed later within this meeting.

The buggy track is now completed. However, there are a few improvements to be made now that the track has seen some use which highlighted a couple of small issues.

Treasurers report

The treasurers report was read out by the chairman due to the absence of our treasurer Ian Yates from tonight's meeting. A full copy of this report is included at the end of these minutes.

Events

Attendance at our last club Sunday on April 14th had good attendance and was enjoyed by all.

NADs attendance seems to be dropping slightly. However, this could be due to them holding the first meet of the year on Easter Sunday.

Upcoming events include:

Club Sunday on May 5th

Multi-racing on May 12th

Truckers day on May 18th

NADs on May 19th

Matters from Monday's committee meeting

We have received a letter from a club member referencing a possible shooting of a duck within our grounds. This was discussed at great length by the committee and it was ascertained that a member of the committee also saw the dead duck but cannot define the cause of death. Another club member was on site at the time but had not observed the deceased duck. It was also noted that other club members have seen the Drakes fighting between each other on numerous occasions.

The committee is satisfied that unless somebody comes forward with hard evidence to the contrary, that no foul play (no pun intended) has occurred and the event is likely due to nature taking its course.

In regards to the allegation of a firearm being used to kill the duck, we were also asked to confirm the clubs stance on firearms on site. With BMBS being a safe place for people of all ages to enjoy the use of remote controlled models, we have never had a reason to have such a policy in place.

We would like to make it known that our public liability insurance does NOT cover the use of firearms within our grounds.

Since our stance on firearms has now been questioned, the committee shall be introducing a new ruling with IMMEDIATE EFFECT:

That NO member shall be permitted to bring firearms or weapons of any kind onto the site AT ANY TIME. We also retain the right to remove the membership of any individual found to contravene this rule.

Pursuant to the Wildlife & Countryside act of 1984 ducks are NOT allowed to be removed from an area or killed between February 1st and August 31st each year. As such we would like to remind members to please be on the lookout for the ducks and do not deliberately

try to harm them, any member found doing so may find themselves with their membership revoked. That individual is liable to prosecution under the terms of that act.

3 new signs will be placed on Brant's landing, in the harbour area and on the podium reminding members not to feed ANY wildlife (including ducks) within the grounds.

If in the case of the ducks remaining on site towards the end of our summer season, we shall contact the relevant professionals to humanely remove them from our grounds in accordance with the above mentioned law.

The PCB on the boiler in the galley kitchen had developed a fault. It has been discussed by the committee and we agreed to source a brand new replacement boiler due to the age of the faulty unit.

Complaints have been noted from members in regards to children playing with the fire engines and other equipment on the truck track. We would like to remind all members that a suitable parent or guardian must supervise children on site at all times.

A request has been put forward for a small number of attendees to a power event on site be allowed to sleep in the clubhouse overnight for the event. This was agreed to.

Issues have been noted with people pitching tents and awnings in the car parking areas. This has caused a problem not only for parking but access to certain areas of the site. There are dedicated camping areas on site, these are situated between the trees and the lake on both the North and West sides of the lake. Anyone found with tents elsewhere should be moved into one of these spots and awnings on vans should not be used in the parking areas.

Our risk assessments have been updated and are to be posted in the clubhouse (please note that risk assessments are a continuous process and we will try to update you whenever we have made changes).

There is a new sign to be fitted in the clubhouse/galley area, stating that people with any known food allergies are advised to bring their own food and drink with them rather than purchase food from our kitchen. This is due to the fact that we cannot 100% guarantee that our food be free from anything they may have an allergic reaction to.

We have also agreed to begin looking into the costings of a refurbishment to the gents toilets, due to the amount of use they get and the fact they are starting to look a bit tired.

The new welcome sign discussed last month is now to be donated by our usual sign writer in an amazing gesture of support for the club. This will measure around 2400mm wide and 600mm tall, it is to be sited at the new entrance next to the fast buggy track.

The chairman is in possession of a list of keys for the site. If you think you may possess any keys that are not included on this list please contact the chairman to let him know which keys you have.

Any other business

There has been member complaints about dog mess on site. We would like to remind everyone to please pick up after your dog.

All club clothing can now be ordered from Ian Phillips, most committee members and captains also have order forms, please remember that you must pay in cash upon ordering.

A very large thank you to everybody who has helped out during the recent improvement works to the site and has brought it up to the current high standard.

Extensive crawler hill maintenance work starts this Friday 3rd May. Parts of the hill may be closed while these works are in progress.

The buggy track so far has come in under budget. However, the remainder of this budget will now be spent on improvements after noticing some small issues after it having a bit of use. Any money needed over and above this original budget shall be provided by the members who have spent their valuable time putting in the work on this amazing new facility and we would like to extend them a big thank you for their work.

John & Anne Foster shall be attending the funeral of Bob Jamieson on Friday May 3rd. Bob was a valued member of BMBS.

John Jenkinson had forwarded a request for purchase of 10x 4ft steel poles for buoys in the lake. All committee members present at the club meeting have agreed to fund this purchase.

Saving the best till last. Regarding the funding from Fraisthorpe windfarm, we have been notified that our bid was SUCCESSFUL, a grant acceptance letter is in the post and we have been given the £1400 requested.

Our next club meeting is to be held at Ferns Farm, Carnaby on Wednesday June 5th 19:30

