

## **Minutes of LUCS Management Committee Meeting held in the Tea Room at the Canal basin on Monday 8 August 2016**

**Present:** Duncan McIntyre, (Chairman), Douglas Robertson (Treasurer). Allan Melling, Vice Chairman, Pat McIntyre (Secretary), Barbara Mckenzie, Lynne Nelson, and Gordon Hewit

**1. Chairman's Introduction** – The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everyone along.

**2. Apologies** – There were apologies from Johnny Green.

**3. Adoption of Minutes from previous Meeting** – Minutes proposed by Barbara Mckenzie and seconded by Gordon Hewit.

**4. Correspondence received:** No correspondence received.

**5. External Meetings:** At the recent meeting of the LCVG Carol Bell offered ReUnion people to come along and help paint our boats in exchange for the work we have been doing on Lochrin.

**6. St Magdalene Replacement:** She has been booked into the dry dock on 7<sup>th</sup> October and Johnny has been in touch with Douglas Temple who will do the inspection then. This will cost £940.

### **9. Conveners' Reports**

#### **Premises: (AM)**

New instant water heater has been installed in the tea room. The MGC central heating boiler has failed again. The plumber is coming on Wednesday. It was decided that Allan should investigate replacement. Gas may also be considered. Scottish Canals have replaced the boards at the quayside.

IT: The new webcam is up and running.

**ACTION AM**

#### **Marketing (DM)**

This is the last week of midweek opening and the 'children go free' offer has been very successful. The latest feedback forms from the Wheel trip show that people from all over the world visit us. Duncan has contacted the local Gazette for extra publicity for Fun Day.

#### **Tea Room:**

As mentioned above the new instant water has been installed and is already proving very useful. June Green has taken over as the new tea room convener.

#### **Boats (JG)**

Johnny intended to send a full report but was delayed by traffic problems.

**Victoria:** Needs repainted.

**Leamington:** New gear box has been fitted. It was agreed to repair the old gear box to be kept in case of emergency.

**Colin G:** This has been approved by Health and Safety.

### **Bookings (AM)**

July Wheel trip full apart from three seats. Last Wheel trip is 28<sup>th</sup> August. Allan to give up being bookings secretary at the end of the year. We are short of drivers at the moment and a few charters have had to be cancelled. Duncan to contact David Mieras at Ratho to see if they have any drivers who can help out.

**ACTION DM**

### **Treasurer (DSR)**

The following figures were given by Douglas.

The balance in the Bank of Scotland account is £65499.26

Savings Account is £59,338.38

Tea room insurance has just been renewed. Price increases for boat trips may be considered for next year.

### **Fun Day: (LN)**

Arrangements going well. Skip and bins to arrive on Thursday. Lynne to phone Falkirk Wheel boat rentals to ask if they can ask hirers of boats not to come through on Sunday afternoon. Lynne to send out duty rotas for the day.

**ACTION LN**

### **10. Any Other Competent Business:**

Regarding new boat funding, Gordon Hewit has submitted a draft application for £70,000 to Kat Purser of the Leader Fund. Johnny Green has applied for £50,000 to Heritage Lottery Fund. Johnny is talking to boat yards to ask for additional quotes. It was agreed that Johnny could go ahead with specification drawings. Douglas asked how prepayment for boats is progressing. This will be done for next year.

**ACTION JG**

**NEXT MEETING WILL BE AT 7.30 PM ON MONDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2016**