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Invergordon Boating Club

Date: 30th October 2024

Present: Robert Dinneen, John Burgis, Inga Ovenstone, Matt Dent, Tom Owen, Ron Stewart, Neil Cormack, Andy Walters, Ian Thorburn, Sue Hewitt, Fiona Munro, Denis Slattery, Pravin Whiles, Iain MacDonald

Apologies: Keith Laird, Dave Bilsland, Phil Tomalin, John Edmonson, Robin Woodford, Alex Gunn, Andrew Pennington, Fred Fraser

Minuted by: Inga Ovenstone

| Item | Discussion & Outcomes |
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| 1. Minutes from last AGM | Minutes from last AGM were taken as correct. Adopted. |
| 2. Commodore's report | <p>Inga Ovenstone Inga reflected on the 2024 season</p> <p>Thank you all for coming tonight as we wrap up the 2024 season at the Invergordon Boating Club.</p> <p>Looking Back on the Season - While the weather wasn't always ideal, we still managed to have a great season with lots of events and races. The Spring was excellent from what I remember, things got a bit quite over the summer holidays as it often does as people are away on holidays and sailing trips. A few nights where the weather was off putting too.</p> <p>Here are some highlights of the season:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Safety boat training, open day and dinghy course at the start which was really successful. Keen new sailers have joined and been coming along.● Weekly Races: Thanks to all participants and volunteers for OOD and safety - generally people were reliable which is very much appreciated. Congratulations to our overall winners! Keel Championship Fred Fraser- and the Dinghy Championship winners: Andy and Viv Pennington. Neither could be here tonight but will be at the dinner on Friday to be awarded with their trophies.● Regattas:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Keel Boat Regatta (10/08/2024): Fred Fraser in Unravalled came in first place. Too much wind!○ Moray Firth Keel Boat Regatta (17/08/2024): John Prentice and crew came in first place. Not enough wind!○ Dinghy Regatta (21/07/24): Congratulations to Steve Patch (Lochcarron) for winning the trophy. Exciting wind! |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Nigg Cup: Congratulations to Fred Fraser and crew for winning the Nigg Cup trophy. Rally great day out. I enjoy days out like that. ● Sailing outwith the club: Congratulations to Alex Gunn and crew who won the Cromarty regatta and to Tom and crew for winning the North Kessock regatta earlier in the season. <p>Progress and work around the club</p> <p>Thanks to everyone who helps to keep the club going. There is forever maintenance to be done and I'm always so grateful to the men here who put in a lot of hours fixing and improving things. Ian has cut the grass all season and has painted the outside of the building. Tom has been maintaining the safety boats and engines - taking them for services, organised the purchase of the new outboard for the Pinoner. Along with Ron they have done a huge amount of building, ground and boat maintenance. Ron is frequently here doing jobs/cutting bushes. Until I took over as commodore I didn't realise how much work is involved and how much time certain people put into the club.</p> <p>Also a big thank you to those who help run the training course. Martyn in particular but everyone who turns up to help. Training is the key to encouraging new members and getting boats on the water.</p> <p>We are trying to sell the searider but no success yet - hopefully in the spring. It's in good shape though. Tom has been trying to source a road trailer.</p> <p>Applied for £2000 Sported Funding but waiting to hear if successful or not.</p> <p>Easy fundraising - over £450 - let's keep it up.</p> <p>Ian managed to secure funding from the Port Authority for a Defibrillator.</p> <p>Thank you to everyone for your support and help this year. It has made my role as commodore much easier, however, I feel 2 years has been enough so I am going to happily step to rear commodore now and let Ian take the reins.</p> |
| 3. Treasurer's report | <p>Matt Dent</p> <p>The club accounts are available and have been emailed out. They are not verified yet and the voluntary organisation who does this is no longer operating. A new organisation will have to be found.</p> <p>Expenditure has been high this year due to the new outboard.</p> <p>Fuel; £176.05 Professional Fees (Incl RYA): £160.00 Electricity £497.29 Insurance: £2,204.86 Water Rates ? Building Costs £208.59 Trophies, prizes £208.59 Club Boats £3,639.31 Administration £402.49</p> <p>Deficit for the Year 2023 - 24 £3,755.00 Total Income: £4,964.32 Total Expenditure: £8401.06</p> <p>-</p> |

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| <p>6. Election of officers.</p> | <p>Inga Ovenstone stepped down as Commodore. Ian Thorburn is to be Commodore, proposed by John Burgis, seconded by Robert Dineen Matt Dent to be Vice Commodore, proposed by Inga, seconded by Ian Thorburn Phil Tomalin to be treasurer, proposed by Fiona Munro, seconded by Tom Owen</p> <p>Commodore: Ian Thorburn Vice commodore: Matt Dent Rear commodore: Inga Ovenstone Secretary: Andrew Pennington Treasurer & membership secretary: Phil Tomalin Training principle: Martyn Crawshaw Bosun: Robin Woodford Committee Members: Fred Fraser, Tom Owen, John Edmonson, Robert Dineen, Andy Walters</p> |
| <p>7. AOB</p> | <p>Sue Hewett is going to paint the sign over the winter. Thanks Sue. Neil Cormack asked about the possibility of swimmers using the facilities - the problem would be winter use as we shut off the water during the cold months.</p> |