



The Association of Nene River Clubs

NBC OCC EBC BBC PYC MLWC MCC

ANRC Committee Meeting Friday 9th. November 2018 **held at Elton Boat Club**

Members Attending:-

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Name</u>
ANRC		Jeff Walters	John Harris	Jenny Sullivan	Graham Rogers
EBC	Ron Smith				
OCC	Richard Ganderton	Elaine Hanson			
NBC					
PYC	Josi Loveridge	Dave Loveridge			
MLWC	Sylvia Keane	Bernard Keane			
MNCC	Dave Peryer				
MCC					
BBC					
GUESTS					

Apologies for Absence:- Adrian Cleave, Mike Thorne..

Minutes of Last Meeting Friday 31st. August 2018

Proposed by: Mike Thorne

Seconded: Richard Ganderton

Matters Arising:-

Dinner Dance 2018

A great night was enjoyed at OCC, thanks to them for hosting the event. The entertainment was excellent and despite some initial confusion with the caterers extra food was provided and we all had a very enjoyable evening.

Purchase of New Chairs

As agreed at the last meeting Mike Thorne has purchased a supply of new foldable chairs.

Contacting Members

GR pointed out that we should be keeping all members up to date on what is happening in the ANRC and to do that we need to ensure that we get all members to supply e-mail addresses when completing application forms. E.H. asked whether we were allowed to email members under GDPR regulations. GR replied that this is all covered in our Data Protection policy and that members can opt out if they wish.

Captain's Report incl. Website update

Captains report November Meeting – Apologies for being absent

We have had 596 visits to our website since the last meeting. As well as the initial front page, we have had many looking for contact details for the ANRC Committee.

Since our last meeting, the Committee have held a Rally meeting with Northampton Boat Club and started the ball rolling. Although some of the fine detail needs to be ironed out, it was agreed that we would hold an ANRC Rally at NBC. Each of the activities will be organised by individual clubs, yet to

be decided, but if each club would like to nominate an activity they would like to be responsible for, that would be great.

Everyone was very enthusiastic about the 2019 Rally and support by NBC and the use of their club was very welcome. Given that the ANRC will have an opportunity to make some money for the Association, it is important we all help make it a success. The areas requiring club nominations are as follows: -

- Catering and Food.
 - Breakfast
 - Filled Rolls
 - Jacket Potatoes
 - BBQ
 - Evening Meals
- Bar and support behind the bar.
- Raffle and prizes.
- Rally Packs including the Rally Program content and design as well as competitions and puzzles.
- Entertainment booking (We have some ideas about this but all are welcome)
- Events throughout the Rally and the organising of these for the program. These can be split amongst the Clubs.
- Extra Toilets.
- Camping and Caravan locations.
- General Security of the Rally.
- Stalls and exhibitors.
- Harbourmaster (Mike Thorne with some assistance from a Deputy).

In spite of an offer to MNCC to re-join the ANRC, they seem to be stalling and feel they would like to wait until September 2019 to assess how we as the new Committee have done. I am of the opinion that at this point Steve Watson, the Commodore and Wayne Reeves; the Rear Commodore will hand over their respective roles to others. We are saddened by their decision and feel we should discuss this at this meeting as to what action if any, we should take to encourage them to re-join. Will you please under Jeff's Chairmanship have an open and frank discussion as to the way forward? I believe we should continue to encourage PCC to come back in and should make an appeal to their members to re-join as a club.

Jeff will be attending the Nene Task Group Meeting on 13 November and the Regional Anglian Waterways Group meeting later in the month.

That's all for now folks, I hope you have a good meeting. We will be back on December 8.

All the Best

Adrian

Vice Captain's Report

Good evening all a few things have been happening over the past couple of months, as follows:-

The EAWA birthday boat trip was a success although not that well attended, unfortunately it was also a wet day and a fallen tree curtailed part of the trip. Sadly although I arranged it I was unable to attend myself due to a family funeral.

The result of the navigation consultation into price increases is very disappointing. The low level of response from individual boaters played right into their hands. If we are going to stop prices increasing when there is no increase in the level of facilities then we must ALL protest, not just leave it to few. These increases will price ordinary boaters off the river. I for one am thinking of selling up.

The 'Middle Level Bill' has now been approved by parliament and is waiting 'Queens Consent'. The EAWA was sent a copy of the new bylaws that the commissioners are putting forward and our secretary, David Mercer, has pulled it apart at the seams as they have omitted several things that 'The Lords'

amended. We wait with baited breath for the outcome. It is envisaged that licensing of boats on the Middle Level could start as early as 2020.

Project Hereward are still battling with the E.A. We are now forming ourselves into a CIO Trust, then we can start raising funds and hope to be taken more seriously by the E.A. We are currently seeking a secretary to help with our project, please contact me if you can spare a few hours a month..

Secretary' Report

The first 2019 Rally meeting was very productive but we now need to move on to more regular meetings and involve some more volunteers from the ANRC to help out as mentioned in the Captain's report.

I have almost managed to put a value to all our assets and will now be speaking to couple of Insurance agents for a quote

There is a new benefit for members now as I have arranged with River and Canal Rescue group to give a 15% discount to any of our members who join their scheme. There is also a 5% discount for any subsequent annual renewals. I am hoping to email this information out to all our members that we have contact details for.

I will advise the date of the next Rally meeting shortly.

Treasurer's Report

J.H. presented the accounts which continue to be healthy.

The ANRC dine and dance made an overall profit of just under £100.00. Well done to everybody who made it happen.

Membership Report

Jenny presented all reps present with a membership list and a supply of 2019 application forms with cards and stickers. All reps are asked to ensure members fill out new application forms to cover the requirement of Data Protection Regulations. The joining fee for 2019 will be £8.00 as agreed previously.

Renewals for Club memberships will be sent out in January.

Club Reports

MLWC:- We have held two very successful club events, Saturday 29th. September was our first 'Conker championship' held alongside a 'rope throwing' competition and a great BBQ cooked by Jeff. MLWC sent out a challenge to Floods Ferry marina and ten of their members arrived on their day boat. MLWC won the conkers and Floods Ferry won the rope throwing shield. A hot and sunny afternoon was enjoyed by all.

Our next event was a sausage and mash Halloween night with Darts, Dominoes and even some Chess being played. The evening ended with several games of card bingo. A good fun evening with some members dressed for Halloween, good food, good company and fun had by all.

Upcoming events are our 'Laying up Supper' to be held at the Conservative Club on 17th. November, thanks to Jeff for arranging this. It looks like being a full house with only a few places left to fill. After that we have our annual 'Bring a plate' held at Sutton Staithe on Saturday 15th. December, we all look forward to this event with music, games, plenty of food and of course a little drink or two! Our final event will be our new years eve event at Sutton Staithe where we are expecting a good turn out.

EBC:- Had a successful Laying up Supper

Next event will be our Xmas Dinner on 9th. December.

NBC:- Good evening, Once again I must apologize for not being able to attend.

The season is coming to an end we had very pleasant laying up supper and are presently laid up.

The river at our end is behaving itself even after a few decent rain storms so perhaps the EA know what they are doing after all.

I have purchased the folding chairs as discussed previously. There are 9 boxes of 4 chairs and I paid 200 pounds for them. Presently they are stored in my summer house and will be ok over the winter, if you need them or wish to store them elsewhere let me know. Next week I will be attending a meeting of the Nene Task Group and I will of course keep you informed.

Upcoming events:- Childrens Xmas party Saturday 8th. December

Christmas Dinner Dance Saturday 15th. December

New years eve Disco party

OCC Held a successful games night with 5 boats arriving from MNCC despite gale force winds, a good time was had by all. Upcoming events:- Laying up supper this Saturday 10th.

November, Xmas Lunch 16th. December and New years eve party.

PYC Upcoming events:- Fish and chips supper and quiz 17th. November, Carols night 8th.

December, Childrens Xmas party 9th. December and Christmas lunch 16th. December.

We have new piling work underway. We are planning to start 'Film Nights' sometime soon.

Agenda:-

License fee increases

The EA proposals were discussed and as pointed out by JW more support from boaters may have helped to influence the disproportionate rises for this region

MNCC

MNCC will reconsider joining the ANRC after their 2019 AGM, however there are many individual members at MNCC who we will encourage to attend our functions and enjoy interclub activities.

2019 ANRC RALLY

Minutes of first meeting circulated to all clubs. Reps to recruit volunteers to assist in the event as per captains report. JW will organise raffle draw tickets. PYC can supply some clothing for 'barn dance' event if required.

Navigation Updates

All now available via a link on the ANRC website that leads to the EA navigation updates. Also latest updates posted on our Facebook page. The EA have no plans to recover yet another sunken boat at Northampton.

Peterborough Boat Gathering

The IWA are apparently not planning to attend this event as the proposed June dates clash with other events. Any plans will be advised once available

ANRC What'sapp group

To be progressed at next meeting

A.O.B.

1. EH asked for an update on the AWCC in this region, JS will be taking over as secretary and will keep us updated.

Meeting Closed.....21.30

Next meeting.....January 11th. 7.30. at EBC

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