

## MARPLE LOCKS HERITAGE SOCIETY

### Minutes of the meeting held at Top Lock on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Present: Alison Allcard, Paul Woodhead, Bob Woodgate & Brain Nash.

### ACTION

#### **Apologies:** Peter and Malcolm

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

#### **Treasurer's report**

Malcolm now has all the books but is awaiting the signature change at the bank to go through. He had sent a report giving a bank balance of £476.78 plus £560 to pay in which included the grant of £500 from the Area Committee for the horse boat at the festival. The Insurance premium had been paid recently at £252.

Bob reported that membership still stood at 35 paid up members and he had sent reminders to those whose membership was overdue. Paul had put an article asking for new members in Waterways World and Towpath Talk.

#### **Lock 17**

Alison would contact Iain Weston again re moving the stone.

**AA**

#### **Task days**

The whole flight had now been oiled ready for the season and some vegetation control had been done down at Lock 1. Alison had collected the tools that BW had donated to us following the RBS Task Day on the Ashton Canal. We still need another hoe, Paul agreed to purchase this. **PW**

The next task days would concentrate on painting, we would do Locks 1 –8, BW were doing 9-16, this had been agreed with Jeff Smith. Dates as in previous minutes. Alison will ask for some more white gloss paint. **AA**

#### **Towpath Tidy**

This is a national event organised by BW annually – we had agreed to do one of our usual task days on 28<sup>th</sup> March working at the bottom of the flight, some BW staff would attend.

Andrew Stunell, our MP, had agreed to attend as well. Alison had received all the necessary paperwork from BW.

#### **Locks Festival:**

Bob & Brian agreed to hand out flyers at the Carnival on 20<sup>th</sup> June. We had been offered a free stall by the Carnival Committee – Alison would send an e mail to members asking for help to man it.

**AA**

Paul will do some posters around the town and notices to local papers etc.

**PW**

See attached sheet for updated list of participants.

**Date of next meeting 27<sup>th</sup> April at Top Lock 2pm**

**Date of the next meeting: Monday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2pm at The Ring o' Bells**