

MARPLE LOCKS HERITAGE SOCIETY

Minutes of the meeting held at Top Lock Marine on Wed 4th November 2009

Present: Paul Woodhead, Alison Allcard, Bob Woodgate and Malcolm Allcard.

ACTION

Apologies: Peter Clarke

In the absence of the Chairman, Paul took the meeting.

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Matters Arising

Picnic sites: - Matt Taylor had indicated that there may be some movement on this soon.

Wharf: - There had been a meeting of the steering group on 26th October, but we had no feedback except that Stockport Regeneration were keen to become involved.

Lock 17: - Paul will get some photos off the website for the display boards.

PW

Treasurer's report

Malcolm reported a balance of £787.24 having paid £25 to All Saints' Church for the use of the room for the open meeting.

Christmas Tree Festival

Alison had sent the form in as usual. We will set it up on 3rd Dec between 2 and 4.30, and leave it up over Christmas. Diane is making some new decorations, Paul will modify the narrowboat fixing for the top, Malcolm will make a wider base for security, and will purchase the tree.

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Annual General Meeting

This would be either 2nd or 9th February 2010*, depending on the availability of the Church Hall, Alison would fix it. She would also book Kevin Dranfield of the Stockport Heritage Society to speak about the Marple Flyboats. It was agreed that we need some more members on the committee, Various members would be approached.

Task days

The painting had now been completed on Locks 1 – 5, but it was felt we wouldn't get any more done this year due to the weather and damp atmosphere. We could continue with vegetation management but have a break for the month of December. Dates fixed were 9th and 21st November.

A.O.B.

Malcolm reported that the new management structure of BW was now in place; our area is Manchester and Pennine Waterways, with David Baldacchino as Manager based at Red Bull. Cassie Weaver would be our contact as Volunteers.

Date of next meeting Monday 14th December 2.00 at Top Lock, with a little bit of Christmas cheer!

*** Have booked Church Room on 9th Feb and Kevin Dranfield can do the talk.**