



VENTNOR MARINA
MOORERS ASSOCIATION

REPORT and ACCOUNTS
for the year ended
31 December 2017

INTRODUCTION

2017 saw increased membership of Ventnor Marina Moorers Association and more boats represented. Attendance at regular VMMA events also increased and members seem to appreciate the opportunities to meet socially with fellow boaters.

A strong working relationship continues with the Marina staff. The VMMA Committee liaises regularly with the Marina team in relation to queries or ideas raised by Members and the staff have been very proactive in following up a number of the suggestions we made during the last year.

VMMA relies on willing moorers to join the Committee and help to run events and attend approximately three meetings a year, which are normally linked to the event days. If you are interested in joining the Committee, then please do contact the Secretary in advance of the AGM for more information. Sadly, one of our Committee Members, Jean Seager, died in 2017 and her contribution at events and meetings has been missed.

Phil Boswell

Chairman

MEMBERSHIP

As at 31 December 2016

Full Members	108
Social Members	1

Add: Full Members joining during 2017	36
Less: 2016 Full Members not renewing	<u>-25</u>

Members as at 31 December 2017	120
<i>(including 1 Social Member)</i>	

Number of boats represented as at 31 December 2016	59
Number of boats represented as at 31 December 2017	67

At the time of writing, a further 17 people, representing 8 boats have joined.

OFFICERS & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

During 2017, the VMMA Committee was:

Ken Barnes	Chairman until 18/03/2017
Michelle Barnes	
Peter Barnes	Stood down 18/03/2017
Robbie Barrett	Elected 18/03/2017
Sue Barrett	Elected 18/03/2017
Phil Boswell	Chairman from 18/03/2017
Sue Boswell	
Chris Brown	Stood down 18/03/2017
Viv Butler	Elected 18/03/2017, Resigned 21/10/2017
Gillian Chapple	Secretary
Sylvia Jimminson	Stood down 18/03/2017
Mo Kennedy	Treasurer
Roger Kennedy	
Jean Seager	Died 19/02/2017
Sue Thomas	Elected 18/03/2017

Article 24 of the Constitution requires the Committee to aim to meet at least every four months. The Committee met 3 times during 2017.

VMMA EVENTS DURING 2017

In addition to the 'usual' VMMA social events (Wine and Cheese Evening, Breakfasts and Soup and Sparklers), the Committee organised a ramble around the Napton area and a Quiz. The Ramble was attended by only 8 people, most of whom were Committee Members, and the Quiz was cancelled due to lack of interest.

Experience over the last two years indicates that off-site events do not attract the same level of interest as our Moorers' Breakfasts or the Spring and Autumn events in the Woodland Lounge and therefore, the Committee took the decision not to attempt to organise any further off-site social events unless there is specific demand for one.

During the year, the Committee attempted to organise first aid training – offering the choice of an in-depth Royal Yacht Association course (which gave participants a 3 year First Aider's certificate) or a shorter, non-certificated course. Although there was a great deal of interest in both, it was only possible to get sufficient people together on the same day for one RYA course in July. The Committee were planning to organise more first aid courses during 2018 but, at the time of writing, no-one had registered (or re-registered) their interest in attending.

VMMA SOCIAL EVENTS DURING 2018

The following social events have been organised for 2018:

17 March 7.00pm	Wine & Cheese evening with a speaker from Guide Dogs for the Blind
29 April 10.00am	Moorers' Breakfast
9 September 10.00am	Moorers' Breakfast
3 November 7.00pm	Soup & Sparklers

EQUIPMENT

During the year, we purchased some storage crates and extension leads. It was decided that we should buy a second Cadac (gas BBQ) for use at Moorers' Breakfasts as, to date, we have relied on borrowing equipment from Committee Members to supplement VMMA barbecue equipment. It was also decided that suitable equipment for keeping soup, mulled wine and hot chocolate warm should also be purchased.

DIALOGUE WITH THE MARINA

During 2017, a number of topics were discussed with the managerial staff at the Marina. These included:

1. The possibility of swapping the Woodland Lounge with the Office.
2. Cleaning standards in the toilets and showers.
3. Installation of defibrillators.
4. Installation of hairdryers in ladies' showers.
5. Introduction of charging points for electric vehicles.
6. The state of the Marina roads.

COMMUNICATION WITH MEMBERSHIP

During the year, a closed Facebook group for VMMA Members was created and, at the time of writing, there are 49 members. There has been more activity in the Facebook group than there has been in the Members' Area of the VMMA website ever since its inception and it was decided that the website should be simplified so that a user name and password were not required to access the Members' Area and that the forums should be dropped. The Members' Area would, instead, be accessed by a group password and would contain information for Members such as minutes. There would be no comment or discussion facility. The revised website is expected to be released in the next couple of months.

E-mail and posters around the Marina will remain the primary methods of communication with Members. Members are asked to make sure that they advise the Secretary if they change their e-mail address.

FINANCIAL POSITION

On the following page, you will find the Accounts for the year to 2017. The Association shows a healthy balance of just under £500 at the end of the year but, as noted above, certain expenditure has been authorised. In addition, it is intended to produce window decals for members during 2018.

The Committee took the decision through the year that the social events planned for 2018 should be free of charge to VMMA members.

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Income & Expenditure for the period ending 31 December 2017

	2016	2017
INCOME		
Membership fees	£545.00	£600.00
First Aid Course Tickets	£0.00	£450.00
Donation from Ventnor Marina	£46.09	£0.00
Social events	<u>£128.00</u>	<u>£47.40</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>£719.09</u>	<u>£1,097.40</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Social event costs	-£172.57	-£193.48
First Aid Training Costs	£0.00	-£460.00
Public liability insurance	-£78.37	-£79.80
Website & IT costs	-£75.94	-£49.60
Equipment purchased	-£390.92	-£83.98
Logo design	-£40.00	£0.00
Sundry Costs	<u>£0.00</u>	<u>-£3.50</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>-£757.80</u>	<u>-£870.36</u>
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENDITURE	<u>-£38.71</u>	<u>£227.04</u>

Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2017

Opening Balance	£310.00	£271.29
Excess of income over expenditure	-£38.71	£227.04
Balance as at 31 December	£271.29	£498.33
Made up of:		
National Westminster Bank Current Account	£326.29	£558.33
Less: Prepayment of Membership Fees	-£55.00	-£60.00
	£271.29	£498.33

Non-monetary assets:

2 Gazebos with fixings
 Cadac barbecue with accessories
 2 Collapsible tables
 Storage crates
 Sundry equipment for cooking, etc.

 Mo Kennedy - Treasurer Date 18 Feb 2018

I have examined the records of the Association and confirm that these financial statements accurately reflect the transactions.

 Date 20th Feb 2018