

CQBHA/MDL Meeting 10th July 2008

Present Dave Wilson – Marina Manager
 Jonathan Saunders – Chair CQBHA

1. Current MDL activities of note

38000 litre petrol tank installed. Petrol prices do not change until new supplies are received. In these days of almost daily petrol price rises this could be helpful.

2. Summer Solstice Party

This seemed to be very successful. A lot of effort from the MDL team and your Association team ensured a good night was had by all.

Some of you were disappointed to not get tickets. We did our best to publicise the event but are limited by the logistics in terms of number.

3. Club House

I am keen to hear feedback about the club and how you are finding the team and facilities following the recent changes.

4. Dry Stack

You may have noticed more of a focus at the Dry Stack recently. This is because it is being seen as a separate organisation. Toby is the new Supervisor and Nick Tollerfield the new dry stack Foreman who works the opposite shift to Toby to ensure senior cover at all time.

Dave and I spoke about helping the 'dry stackers' to get more enjoyment – and safe boating – pleasure. To this end we have discussed providing discounted VHF radios, helpful advice, training and other opportunities for our Bertholders who are on the Dry Stack.

Hopefully I will be able to say more in my next briefing.

5. Poole Bridge Height Repeater

Plans are in place to get a repeater at Cobbs. It will go where the weather board is now.

This is subject to cost and survey (which is due for the 13th July).

6. Shore Guard

A letter has gone out offering Bertholders the opportunity to join Shoreguard. The service will – following a free trial - cost from £17.50 per month. This is a reduced rate and MDL need at least 20% of Bertholders to be interested in order to embark on the arrangement with the company.

Think of it like 'Google at sea'. You can also take out an extended warranty on your engines/boat (at extra cost). You can ask them anything from the nearest Mercruiser dealer, to passage planning to breakdowns.

7. Marina Issues

A joint working party set up with MDL to look at parking issues has liberated around 50 places and this should go some way to moderating the parking on busiest days.

There is a possibility of refurbishing the old toilet block **for use as showers in the main**. Dave would like any views you might have on this passed on to him.

8. Away from Berth Draw

The June draw for winners from those who advise the marina when their berth is empty has been won by Coquine

They will now go into the big draw to be made at the Barn Dance.

As ever if you have any comments on this note or other matters please contact me at chairman@cqbha.co.uk

Jonathan Saunders
Chair Cobbs Quay Bertholders Association
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