

Rossendale Valley Sailing Club. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 9th November 2025 at the clubhouse.

- 1) **Welcome:** Joan welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2) **Apologies** for absence were received from Eric and Kath Hughes, Nigel Platt, Julie Morgan, Leanne Townley, Mark and Norah Girven. All had arranged for Proxy Votes.

Present: Joan Forbes (chair) Daniel Howarth, Karen Glowa, Robert Glowa, John Bacon, Mark Barrowcliffe, David Hudson, Mike Morgan, Martin Lewis, Anne Nimmo, Simon Ellis, Colin Holden, Ruth Holden, Derek Spedding, Su Memory, Eric Davis, David Masters, Chris Masters, Philip Baron, Vicky Waddington, David Waddington, Benjamin Waddington, Louise Howarth, Dave Johnstone, Eddie Steer, Stephen Booth, Tom Nimmo.

- 3) **Minutes of the last AGM** were read and accepted as a true record; proposed by Simon Ellis, seconded by Karen Glowa and passed by the meeting.
- 4) **Commodore's Report.** Report available on the AGM 2025 page of the website. Joan detailed the social, sailing and other events held throughout the previous twelve months and outlined some plans for the forthcoming year which include a coordinated Social Media presence and promotion of the club and surrounding area to active groups.
- 5) **Membership Secretary's Report:** Report available on the AGM 2025 page of the website. Tom detailed the use of WebCollect to the meeting. He said that there are still enquiries being made about Paddleboarding, Kayaking and Wing Foiling. He then explained the rationale behind the key fob system for the back door. The report included the difference in membership from 2024 to 2025, part of which he attributed to the change in the structure of the Family Membership category from January 2025. Finally, he quoted the resignation and renewal procedure as it appears in the Constitution.
- 6) **Hon Treasurer's Report:** Report available on the AGM 2025 page of the website. Steve read out the report while showing the accounts to September 2025, as prepared by Louise. Mark Barrowcliffe queried the CCTV camera inside the building and asked if there had been an incident which had prompted the need for an internal camera. He also asked if the necessary signs were in place. Tom replied by saying that there hadn't been an incident, but the internal camera was part of the

plan to open the clubhouse fully to more members. This couldn't take place yet as the new system isn't fully installed, and compliant signs were in place.

- 7) **Proposal from Council** – Fees increase for 2026. Proposal available on the AGM 2025 page of the website. Steve explained the increase in fees to the meeting and after a short discussion with Simon about percentage increases the proposal was seconded by Tom and passed by the meeting.

- 8) The Council members stood down.

- 9) **Election of Flag Officers:** Commodore-Joan Forbes

Vice Commodore-Tom Nimmo

Hon. Treasurer-Su Memory

Hon Secretary-Vacant

These individuals were proposed by Simon Ellis and seconded by Robert Glowa. The proposal was passed by the meeting. However, Mike Morgan and Mark Barrowcliffe voted against the proposal, naming one individual. They both cited the fact that they also had four proxy votes. Joan mentioned that both she and Tom had three proxy votes. Irrespective of the proxy votes, the motion was passed by a majority.

- 10) **Election of Council Members:** Eric Davis, Robert Glowa, Karen Glowa, Colin Holden, Louise Howarth, Eric Hughes.

These individuals were proposed by Derek Spedding, seconded by Simon Ellis, and passed by the meeting.

- 11) Joan closed the meeting at 1445 and invited everyone to partake in the refreshments which had been provided.

