

# Notes from Hi Ya Meeting 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024

The meeting was attended by 21 of our volunteers.

- ❖ There have been problems with the cool box overheating. Please ensure that it is switched off at the main switch when Pamela May is moored.
- ❖ Blacking will take place on 18<sup>th</sup> March. DB will chase up silt build up is removed. AM will get paint to touch up scratches etc.
- ❖ Too much grease is being used when tightening the Stern Gland. Best practice is to loosen and then tighten until there is some resistance. If unsure, please contact one of our trainers/skippers who will be happy to show you how to do this on your next trip.
- ❖ Volunteers are reminded not to jump or stand on bow of boat when mooring ask a crew member to throw the line.
- ❖ Solar Panels are now in stock at Ortomarine and should have been fitted yesterday (5<sup>th</sup> March 2024). This work couldn't be done because of weather conditions. The work is now rescheduled to be done on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March.
- ❖ Out of 41 active volunteers 20 people have completed the new membership form. These were available at the meeting and were taken by some of our volunteers. If you have not yet completed the new membership form, they are available to download from our website. Look on Support Us page. If you need any further help contact Mike Griffiss.
- ❖ AM will be sending out fitness declaration forms.
- ❖ We will continue to use Dropbox for our bookings. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lynda.
- ❖ From April, Hi Ya notes will not be emailed to all our volunteers but will be uploaded to our website.
- ❖ The rota for our Easter Trips is now available. If you are not on the rota but wish to help, please come along there is always something to do at these events. Thank you to everyone who has donated a prize for our Easter Tombola. If you haven't already donated one, please contact Emma who will be only too pleased to accept them from you.
- ❖ Bookings are coming in thick and fast with some groups booking multiple trips. Lynda will send the booking sheet out later today (Wed 6<sup>th</sup> March). If you are able to volunteer for any of these trips, please let Jim know via email.

- ❖ Volunteers are reminded that refresher training needs to be completed before you are able to volunteer for any trips. Please contact Paul, Ian, Andy, James, or David B if you want to arrange a time to do this.

- ❖ AOB

Thanks to Tracey and Emma for organizing the Easter Tombola.

The bridge works on the Barge Canal is making good progress and should be completed by end of March.

Festival boarding in Vines Park will be discussed at the next Steering Meeting.

Thanks to Lynda and Jim for all the work they do with bookings and crewing trips.

Water supply to yard, this will be discussed by Trustees at the next meeting.

After the meeting closed, we had a training session on Man Overboard procedures. This was filmed and will be uploaded to our website.