# STAFFORD BOAT CLUB NOTES FOR PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

## GENERAL DAY TO DAY WORKINGS OF THE CLUB

Stafford Boat Club Ltd is established as a Company limited by Guarantee. The objects of the club are set out in the Memorandum & Articles of Association of the Company as:-

"To provide facilities for the carrying on of boating on inland waters and elsewhere" & To promote boating and establish and maintain and conduct a Boat Club for the use of members of the club and their friends and generally to afford to them all the usual privileges and advantages of a Club".

The club is also a registered "Community Amateur Sports Club"

The business of the Club is carried out by the "Council Of Management" (the Board Of Directors), supported by various Sub Committees. A list of Council Members can be found on the Club notice board in the entrance hall, along with copies of the formal Company Memorandum & Articles Of Association, and the Club Rules.

We are a small club and we rely on members for the day to day running of the organisation. The club hopes that all members will participate in club activities .

Membership of the Club is accepted as being a Family Membership, which includes partner and any children under the age of eighteen.

Membership is not restricted to Boat Owners and the club provides a number of social amenities for all members.

There are five grades of membership – Family Membership (£40), Over 60 Membership (£20), Single Adult Membership (Under 60) £20.00, Single (over 60) £10 and Junior Membership (16yrs to 20yrs) (£10).

## THE SOCIAL SIDE OF THE CLUB NORMAL OPENING HOURS OF THE BAR

8 pm to 11 pm seven nights a week (except Thursdays when the bar opens at 9 pm following the Ladies Keep Fit sessions) It also opens every Sunday lunchtime from 12 pm to 3 pm.

## **CLUB SOCIAL EVENTS**

Throughout the year a variety of events are organised by the club's Social Sub Committee. You will find mid week events and weekend events.

So what type of events are there? Quiz Nights, Clubs Annual Awards Dinner, New Year's Eve Party, Skittles, Bingo, Boat Race to name but a few. Something for all ages, so bring along family and friends.

More information on these events can be found on the notice boards and in the club monthly newsletter, "Hazlestrine News", also via the clubs Social E-mail list. Please support these events, you will not be disappointed.

## **CLUB CRUISES**

From time to time our Cruising Commodore will organize a get-together such as The Commodores Cruise or The Mystery Cruise, Boat Handling, BBQ's and Rallies. All members are welcome to participate in some way. A chance to meet up and tell those tales of the joys of boating.

**SLIMMING CLUB** - Monday 8pm to 9pm. All welcome.

**LADIES KEEP FIT** - Thursday 8pm – 9pm. All ladies welcome – nothing too serious.

"100 CLUB" Cash prizes given each month for those holding winning numbers.

## HAZLESTRINE NEWS

This is our monthly newsletter of what's on and notes of interest. As a member you can collect a copy from the club or have it e-mailed to you wherever you are or posted to you if you supply the postage stamps.

## OTHER USEFUL ITEMS OF INTEREST

## SECURITY OF THE CLUB

The Club is protected by Fire and Intruder Alarms and CCTV cameras being recorded at all times. Access to site is by intercom during bar opening hours.

#### SITE WORK & GARDENING

This is done by Members on a voluntary basis and it is hoped that new members will assist with these jobs. Most members attend for Sunday work parties, but work goes on most days of the week as well.

#### **CLUB HOUSE CLEANING**

This is done by Members on a voluntary basis.

## **PETS**

Dogs must be under control at all times and on a lead on the club house side of the site Assistance Dogs only allowed in the Club house. Please SCOOP THE POOP.

## **BAR WORK**

The bar is always 'manned' by members on a voluntary basis. Full training is available for any volunteers.

## **BOAT LICENCES**

The Club is an agent for Canal & River Trust, all boating members are expected to use this facility as the Club benefits from commission from Canal & River Trust.

## PUMP OUT & ELSAN

Facilities for both are available. Free to mooring members only.

#### WET DOCK/SLIPWAY

Available to hire by prior arrangement with the Slipway and Wet Dock Booking Officer.

## MIDLAND CHANDLERS

Offer discounts on purchases on production of a current Club membership card.

## ALSO AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Calor Gas, Sacrificial Anodes, Loo Blue, Coal and Diesel Bug Treatment. The club also offers a vinyl sign cutting and fixing service for boats, vehicles and promotional Banners, together with the sale of personalised T Shirts and Polo Shirts at very competitive prices. Tell us what you want and we will do our best to fulfil your requests. Shower and Laundry facilities are also available on site.