

SOCA COMMITTEE MEETING - MINUTES

MEETING HELD AT RNA WELWYN GARDEN

THOSE PRESENT: TERRY BRANSTON c/t, STEWART WARREN vc/s,
TANYA WARREN, ANDREW DAVIDSON

APOLOGIES: PAUL COMLEY rc, DAVE ARNOLD, RICHARD WHITE,
ALEX NICHOLAS, GEFF BRIANT p

MEETING START: 19:36

PREVIOUS MINUTES: Proposed by Terry seconded by Tanya

MEMBERSHIP 2025: 16 Full + 2 Hons + 27 Distant = 45

TREASURERS REPORT:

Bank balances: Current account £2083.34, Deposit £1041.46.

Paid: Easily domain £24.79 *annual* fee, Ionos/Zoom 7.20/16.79 per month
Room rental £60

TB/TW

PAST MEETINGS/EVENTS: *See website for full details*

11 September Paul Comley Wells & Norfolk Sailing, inc RNLI Merchandise. **PC**
Great Talk presented well and a new sailing area to explore. WiFi did not work at
meeting but link with phones was good. 10 attended meeting plus 3 on Zoom.
RNLI sales were good too.

FUTURE MEETINGS: *Seven thirty start!* Zoom - Ask all to turn off Zoom cameras.

Bring sound amp to future meetings

09 October Jeremy Batch Slightly pear-shaped

Surveying and Mapping the World

RW

* **13 November Colin Green** Tank Landing craft ****UNAVAILABLE****

GB

11 December Photo competition categories as last year, Soca Calendar

TB/TW

08 January 2026 Dave Arnold **Narrow boat** Coventry and Ashby

DA/TW

13 February Sea survival on **Wednesday** 11 Feb

TW/DA

12 March AGM

TB/ALL

09 April Andrew Davidson **Crinan Canal**

AD

Thursday 18th September 2025

IDEAS FOR MEETINGS:

Sydney Hobart Zoom talk **BOSG? AN**

Tides video / Discussion **AD**

Saronic sailing **TB**

Malta Wrecks **TW**

AED + Bleed kits **TW**

Ropes / Visiting speaker - Zoom **GB**

Ocean Clean UP videos etc **TW**

TRAINING:

Wednesday 11 Feb Sea survival Hatfield pool Life raft event with divers. **TW/SW**

EVENTS:

FUTURE SAILING / CRUISING IN COMPANY

South Coast weekend Terry (Stew and Tanya as crew), Martyn & crew

21-24 Sept visiting Folly Inn, Yarmouth and Gosport.

TB

SOCA NEWS / WEBSITE:

Volunteers for write up of talks

Geff has changed front page to attract membership

All to look at website regularly to boost listings

ALL

GB

ALL

COMMODORE'S ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Next meeting, Photo competition 2025, 2026 calendars to order.

Laying up Lunch.

TB

ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

AGM Minutes to be sent to club in due course.

Stew, Tanya, Richard and Terry away for May 26 Meeting.

Tanya to complete next years calendar in Oct.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

Thursday 16th October 2025 @ 19.30 RNA

MEETING CLOSED: 20.01

Stewart Warren,

Secretary