

# **MINUTES OF THE MANCHESTER MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION COMMITTEE HELD AT THE OFFICES OF ROYAL & SUNALLIANCE ON 16<sup>TH</sup> November 2005**

## **Present**

Ian Harrison (Chairman), Matt Drinkwater (Treasurer), Joe O'Hanlon (Secretary), Mike McFarlane, Neil Atkinson, Amanda Reid, Peter McClelland, Peter Jackson, George Dawson, Karen Bodle, Siobhan McDermott.

## **1. Apologies**

Paul Hackett, Tony Holden

## **2. Previous Meeting Minutes**

No amendments to be made to the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2005.

## **3. Constitution**

The Chairman had previously asked GD to run through the proposed changes to the Constitution.

GD confirmed that the main change to the Constitution was Clause 9 (Committee). He also confirmed that Clause 4 (Voting) was modernised and Clause 8.4 was an incidental change.

The numbers that make up the Committee were discussed and following discussion it was agreed that the Committee shall be made up of a Chairman, Vice Chairman and six nominated members. It was also agreed that when the Chairman retires, the Vice Chairman shall offer himself for election as Chairman.

MMcF agreed to read the proposed Constitution and provide GD with feedback.

The Chairman gave his appreciation to GD & PJ for their efforts in amending the Constitution.

#### **4. Finance**

MMIA Statement of account up to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2005

Current a/c balance as at 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2005:	£6,094.41 of which £147.00 is charitable donations.
Savings a/c balance as at 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2005:	£9,331.59
Monies paid out since last meeting:	£2,245.09 MMIA Golf Day £653.00 MMIA/LUMA Golf Day £300.00 Six Months Website Maintenance £15,136.20 MMIA Dinner
Monies received since last meeting:	£2,226.00 MMIA Golf Day £258.20 MMIA/LUMA Golf Day
2005 Dinner:	Payments £17,429.37 Receipts £19,200.00
2005 Seminar (The recent seminar does not feature but should be as follows):	Payments £4,511.85 Receipts £2,795.00

#### **5. Sports & Social**

##### MMIA Annual Golf Day

MMcF confirmed it was a successful day and that Malcolm Cook of C & C Insurance Brokers was the winner of the Heathcock Rosebowl .

The club confirmed that the fee for 2006 would increase substantially to £60.00. MMcF confirmed that the current fee for a round of golf is £37.50-£42.50.

The Committee discussed this and agreed that Dunham is a good venue and easy to get to. It was agreed to keep Dunham as the venue for the 2006 MMIA/LUMA Golf Day. MMcF is to confirm the date to LUMA.

##### Golf Day Charity Event

MMcF confirmed the charity event raised £205.00.

### MMIA vs LUMA

Annual golf match hosted by MMIA at Hazlegrove, Liverpool retained the GJW Sheild, winning the match 4 – 1.

### Games Night

SMcD confirmed that there were 35 attending the games night at the Waldorf.

### Future Event

10 Pin Bowling was the planned event to be held in February 2006

## **6. Education**

### Annual Seminar –LCCC

PMcC was disappointed with the lack of numbers that attended this years seminar. PMcC asked the Committee if they thought the format was wrong and should the Association continue with the seminar going forward .

MMcF commented that the Association should continue with the seminar, adding that this year's seminar was an excellent day with quality speakers and quality attendees.

The suggestion put forward was to start the seminar earlier with two presentations before lunch, two after the buffet lunch and to finish at 3.30pm. It was also suggested that the overall subject should be put forward and spelt out exactly what the seminar will involve.

PMcC commented that even though the subject was billed as a claims seminar, it was not supported by the claims contingent.

The subject of the £65.00 fee was discussed and the possibility of reducing the fee to attract more attendees. PMcC confirmed that a large element of the fee is based upon the charge made by the LCCC, taking out the evening would halve the bill. Following discussion, the Committee agreed a figure of £50.00 would be acceptable.

The Chairman commented that he had held a seminar in the Stanley Suite at the Midland hotel which holds 100 maximum. The daily rate was £1,100.00 which the Chairman said he could negotiate lower. A figure of £2,000.00 was envisaged which would include food. The Chairman also proposed reducing the fee to £25.00 per head.

PMcC asked the Committee if there were any burning issues they would like to hear about. NA suggested major catastrophes i.e. the recent hurricanes in the USA or the Tricolore incident in the English Channel. PMcC suggested canvassing ideas from Association members via the website.

It was agreed that the Committee would revisit the seminar subject at the next Committee meeting.

## **7. Any Other Business**

### CIM Convention

The subject of the CIM Convention was brought up and whether any members had heard of it. MMcF confirmed it is commonly encountered on the Continent for carriage of goods by rail.

### After Dinner Speaker

The Chairman confirmed that Simon Le Mar did not accept the Association's invitation to speak but will attend the dinner.

### Dinner format

The Chairman asked the Committee if they felt the format of the dinner should be changed. The Committee agreed the format should not be changed.

### Association Insurance

The Chairman confirmed that he had received the renewal invitation for the Association insurance on an as is basis.

Next Committee Meeting – End of January 2006