

Marine Archaeology Special Interest Group
 Tuesday 21st September 2021, 10:00 BST and 19:00 AEST
 Zoom

AGM Minutes

Present: Megan Keates (MK, CIfA), Danielle Wilkinson (DW, Chair), Stephanie Said (SS, Secretary), Phoebe Ronn (PR, ordinary committee member), Hefin Maera (HM, ordinary committee member), George Stewart-Phillips (GSP, new ordinary committee member), Christian Dalton (CD, ordinary committee member), Jezz Davies (JD, ordinary committee member), Anna Welch (AW, CIfA), Colin Forrestal (CF), Declan Harley (DH), John Cooper (JC), Toby Gane (TG), Tom Hill (TH), Andrew Fielding (AF).

Agenda Point	Action (Initials)
<p>1. Apologies for absence Paolo Croce (ordinary committee member) Vic Cooper (advisor) Alison James (treasurer)</p>	
<p>2. Minutes of last AGM Accepted without change.</p>	
<p>3. Chair's Welcome and AGM Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiet year • Time for MASIG to revisit previous goals & involve new committee members • Positives of COVID • Thank you 	
<p>4. Secretary's Report Last committee meeting was held in October 2020 as Zoom meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provided consultation for CIfA S&G guidance for field Evaluation and Watching Brief • Submitted 10 things Marine Archaeologists wished Diggers knew (Digger's Forum) and • Set up an online digital stall at the Nautical Archaeology Society Conference held in November 2020. <p>MASIG member numbers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MCIfA 134, ACIfA 72, PCIfA 100, Affiliate 43, Student 27 = Total 376. In 2020 members totally to 449; 2019 total was 788 (reflects CIfA membership increase and CSCS changes) and 2018 total was 441. 	
<p>5. Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have not used any budget. £200.00 budget (allocated to travel & accommodation) to use by March 2022. 	
<p>6. Elections to Group Committee and Advisory Council representative Michael Walsh has stepped down as ordinary committee member.</p>	

	<p>MK about printing material.</p> <p>g. Collate list of available guidance and keep this maintained – DW will keep this moving.</p> <p>h. Liaison with Cifa – RL, TG. TG provided an update which revolves around Rule 1.7 which currently does not allow for recording of archaeology prior to salvage. Balanced wording required to alter this rule and allow for some work to take place. HM attended advisory council – suggested wording sent to the board. Something for MASIG to provide feedback once it comes out for review.</p> <p>i. Role on Advisory Council – HM provided an update (details were sent round as an email).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Cifa introduced the TraCK project; an internal Cifa project to update the training and careers resources on the Cifa website. ○ A paper was presented on recommended minimum salaries. ○ upcoming edition of the Archaeologist on geophysics, the next edition will feature climate change. ○ brief discussion on the proposal to update the code of conduct regarding rule 1.7 ○ next meeting 18.11.2021 <p>j. Validation committee – TG stood down from this committee. MW is still attending. DW to contact MW for any additional support. https://www.archaeologists.net/organisation/committees</p> <p>k. JNAPC representation – MW - See Matters Arising. TG attended a few of the meetings. Covering bigger issues on legislation (salvage of HMS Victory and sites in International Waters). Minutes available online: http://www.jnapc.org.uk/</p> <p>l. Groups rep – DW still available to attend. MK provided an update – new ethics change for new Cifa members. Groups to be involved in providing support and examples. Minutes circulated soon. Next meeting held online on 30.11.2021.</p> <p>m. PWA 50th anniversary event working group – AJ, HM. Nothing to report on this.</p>	<p>All committee members</p> <p>DW to contact MW</p> <p>Action for next meeting</p>
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	<p>provided a brief on this. The Selection Strategy does not work for projects that are expected to have any marine finds as reporting and selection is discussed with the RoW. How can this be implemented for those practitioners working in the marine environment? Early consultation with the RoW. TG – Currently not serving archaeology or licencees, need to change in law. HM – future liaison with new head of marine strategy at HE. SS get in touch with Jen Parker Wooding at ClfA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ClfA Strategic Plan 2021-2030 Objective 3 of the New Strategic Plan (Dani). DW – greater influence outside our sector. How would this work in practice? AW collate a list of groups/contacts that might be involved with our specialist interest group. University contacts (lecturers/students) etc. DW to forward on the email from Alex. • MASIG-ClfA/JNAPC collaboration (Dani). Emails from Peter Hinton, ongoing relationship. ClfA ended its membership with JNAPC. ClfA now to act as observers. MW acting as an observer moving forward. 	<p>Action for next meeting All committee members DW to forward contact details.</p>
<p>10.</p>	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AW Careers toolkit being collated. Professional path – how to get to the next ClfA grade and a career in marine archaeology. To send on any available resources to AW. TG - BAR publication Bridging the Gap – what skills are needed for marine archaeology. • TG - overall in the marine industry a lot of work is going on and keeping the sector busy. Worth mentioning that palaeolandscape assessments in the North Sea and Irish Sea being undertake as part of round 4 offshore work. • DW - first OWF being constructed in Victoria, Australia. Guidance relied heavily on UK models. • Events: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ DW Australasian Institute for Maritime Archaeology online Conference in November (2021 AIMA Conference Australasian Institute for Maritime Archaeology (aima-underwater.org.au)) ○ PR Marine Monday by MSDS - ClfA Innovation Festival call for papers: 	<p>Action for next meeting</p>

	<p>https://www.archaeologists.net/innovation-festival)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MK gave thanks to DW for her work during her time at MASIG.• Chair Position is still open!	
11.	<p>Date of the next committee meeting, and future events</p> <p>Next meeting to be held in February 2022 (online). No future events planned at this stage.</p>	