Maidstone Canoe Club News Update 1st May 2021

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Dear Member, Welcome to the May News Update.

First some good news about our paddler who was taken to hospital that he is back home now and although bruised and battered is making a slow but full recovery.

Following the gradual relaxation of restrictions on 29 March planned paddles for groups of six are now up and running. If you are part of the MCC2021 WattsApp group they are there with some also on the club's Facebook pages otherwise check the Calendar on the website where they are all listed.

The website <u>www.maidstonecanoeclub.net</u> is the place to go for all the latest updates and information.

If you would like to take part in an Explore Award Course planning is in place for a course to run in June. Please contact Mark Corti <u>mark@maidstonecanoeclub.net</u> to register your interest.

VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE for those storing boats at the club.

We are still very limited in the amount of boat storage available to club members; this will improve considerably when we are able to complete the new storage area but due to circumstances this is still some way off. There are quite a few boats in our current stores that are not paid for and some where we don't know the owners. This is not fair on



those who have paid and those who are waiting for a boat rack. The committee has decided that **all** private boats must display a private boat label like this with your name in waterproof marker. If you already have one of these on your boat(s) please ensure that your name is on there. If you need a label(s) please email Geoff <u>memsec@maidstonecanoeclub.net</u> stating the number you require, and they will be posted. Later this month we will be doing an audit of the boat stores and any boat found without a private boat label and name that is not a club boat will be photographed and displayed on the club's website in an attempt to find the owner. A decision will be made about what will happen to boats that are not claimed.

On May 17th there should be an announcement regarding changes to Lockdown. From the information we currently have the only change will be that we can paddle in bigger groups.

Face coverings must still be worn in the Club Buildings and social distance observed. The token system will remain in place for changing rooms, the gym can be used by 3 people max with the windows and doors open. Still NO showers.

Thank you for continuing to support the Club

Catherine Dacey

Club Secretary