

## CDG Meeting 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021

### Minutes



#### **Present:**

Melissa  
Jacob  
Matt  
John  
Mike  
Steve  
Mark  
Annie  
Ben  
Rowan

#### **Apologies:**

- Mark  
- Paul Newman

#### **Welcome & congrats to new Paddlesport Instructors & PAAs**

- The CDG is really pleased that we have 6 additional instructors/assistants.

#### **Beginner course feedback: all full, bookings still steady**

- Still a couple of spaces for Steve's SUP beginner course.
- All Courses are full, apart from the above, with more bookings coming in. The club is very keen to bring more courses in.

#### **Explore Award feedback**

- No points to note.

#### **Beginner course dates required / Paddlesport Instructor mentoring:**

- No points to note.

#### **Explore Award dates**

- Level 1 coaches & PIs can deliver this course, contrary to previous advice
- There's demand for a couple more of these, say one shortly and one end of July / early August
- L1 and Paddlesport Instructors can deliver this if certified by a L2 coach.
- Is lee aware of this?

#### **PAA Booking system.**



- New system so PAAs can set up their own trips on the website and allow attendance registration. Speak to Mark to get set up; I'm always happy to help or set it up for you.
- Mark has now emailed out the instructional videos ('How to activate booking').
- New booking method via the website.
- Video advises from an instructors point of view and covers uploading events to the MCC website.
- Trips including under 18s:
- Prospective participants who are under 18 should be made aware whether they can addend either on a front page title block, or via a tick box. Can this capability be added to the website?
- Sign up via the website had good feedback, it was felt this would reduce workload for those running the trip and clearly signify numbers and those who wish to attend.
- Personal ability requirements/specific pre-requisites should be highlighted on the application page.

#### **PI Course**

- August course full.

#### **FSRT:**

- Courses full. Probably demand for another if Lee is willing?

#### **Core Coach:**

- Course full

#### **Kid's Fun Paddle Session:**

- Lots of kids signed up; there are enough coaches assisting.
- Ongoing plan for kids paddles?
- Are groups of differing ages allowed to book on? Should the sessions be split into age brackets. 8-12, 13+?

#### **Open Day:**

- All 120 slots full.
- Most Coaches will not be there, due to the Tryweryn trip.
- Can the open day committee organise a planning a meeting beforehand?
- 16 participants per session
- A plan needs to be in place to manage walk-ins.
- Committee needs a plan to manage queues for walk-ins?
- To be discussed by open day committee at meeting.

#### **Sea Kayaking Taster with HDCC:**

- more spaces if people can borrow MCC boats; no HDCC boats left
- Those interested in going but don't have a boat organised needs to speak with the club bosun.

#### **Intro to WW:**

- full

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- Mark is running the Dee trip with Mary and Paul.

**AOB:**

- Mixed Craft Beginner Sessions: Participants are allowed to choose their own craft, however what determines if PSIs have the personal performance to coach from a differing craft? The CDG felt that paddlesport instructors can coach multi-disciplines and can coach *from* variety of craft as, from a safety perspective, the FSRT is not craft specific. If a more formal approach is needed by the club, personal performance could be covered in the 'site-specific'.