

<p>Maidstone Canoe Club Meeting Minutes 19 April 2023.</p> <p>Apologies: Geoff Licence, Charlotte Fife, Jon Lock, Leanne Jordan</p> <p>Attendees: Geoff Orford, Reece Nelves, James Copeland, John Simmonds, Paul Fife, Claire Norman, Catherine Dacey, Holly Sherridan, Matt Clegg</p>	
<p>Chairman's Report:</p> <p>Busy year ahead, need to get more members involved in Club events.</p> <p>Beginners courses are all full, more dates requested.</p> <p>Kids Club has started, will be split into groups of novices and more experienced, run a paddle passport type programme rather than beginners courses for children, so children can join kids club without the beginners course.</p> <p>Committee needs to write an Emergency Action Plan.</p> <p>New build hopefully progress will be seen in the next couple of months.</p>	Cd/ all
<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <p>Attended MRUA meeting on 18th April, main discussion on the antisocial behaviour on the river, as seen on the facebook video posted by the Kentish Lady.</p> <p>It was felt that a joint effort between the police and EA was needed.</p> <p>The crime reference numbers for the catapult incidents and the speeding boats are to be displayed at the club so that any further occurrences can be reported.</p> <p>Agreed that we wouldn't buy the kids boat which was offered to us.</p> <p>CD to email Paddle Clean Up with the pictures from Tom's Paddle.</p>	CD
<p>Treasurer / Membership Secretary's Report:</p> <p>Current renewals 129</p> <p>Purchased 2 touring boats in almost new condition for £1100.</p> <p>Affiliation to BC in progress, buy 45 affiliate memberships at £10 each. CD to contact BC if the boat stickers don't arrive.</p> <p>GO to send final email regarding fobs, enquiries to be sent to Geoff who will forward to Reece.</p>	GO
<p>GP Bosun Report:</p> <p>Open needs seat repairing.</p> <p>GO/ HS to look into the cost of drain plugs and purchase, also air bags.</p> <p>JC away for 4 weeks from 18 May. HS to deputise.</p>	
<p>New Build :</p> <p>Vertical racking has been fixed in to try.</p> <p>Meeting on Monday 17 April with Mark from Mid Kent College (builders), Malcolm and Reece (electrics), Richard (flooring) Mark (plumbing) Larry QS , John and Matt S.</p> <p>Larry to draw up work plan and costings, Any purchase to be run past committee first, Larry to order Geoff to pay.</p> <p>Build should begin W/C 6 May</p> <p>Possibly buy a cement mixer for the build and sell afterwards, may be cheaper than hiring one.</p>	JS
<p>Electronic Entry System:</p> <p>This will go live on May 1st. several emails and watts app posts have been sent, Reece to do last fob event on 30th April.</p> <p>GO has posted a list of members who have re joined this year, if no payment is received for membership no fobs will deactivated.</p>	RN /All

<p>Marathon 14 May</p> <p>Very short of volunteers, due to a trip being the same weekend. The calendar wasn't checked and the marathon wasn't added.</p> <p>GO to contact Bryn to see if it is going ahead, final decision to be made Sunday evening (23 April)</p> <p>Up date going ahead, BP to send of safety documents and notice to Mariners MC to buy and distribute food for competitors and spectators, still need turn marshalls ,event organiser, car park bodies.</p>	
<p>JS attended BC Safety Course on 7th Feb, the club needs an Emergency Action Plan CD to look at Club House for a proforma.</p>	
<p>AOB</p> <p>Date needed for Open Day, June July suggested no date proposed.</p> <p>Email received from Paul Cozens , marine compliance officer, who stated we cannot land on Burntwick Island, CD to reply and ask for clarification of where we can land.</p> <p>BP has advised that he is to run a 6 week course with Safer Kent for Young Offenders in Racing Boats. It is felt that this cannot go ahead unless there is a session by session plan, full risk assessment, correct beginner to coach ratio, BP is a level 1 coach. And a Membership for 8 people is purchased, in the same vein as the Royal Engineers, It will probably be 6 junior and 2 adult. JS to feed back to BP for clarification.</p> <p>Mental Health Firstaider- Following on from the passing of Tom Payne, there was much discussion of having mental health first aidrs, CN to follow up with Trish C and Helen for more information.</p> <p>Lisa Taylor to take on role of Club First Aider</p>	
<p>Meeting Closed at 9.45pm</p> <p>Next Meeting 31 May at 7.30</p>	