

<p>Maidstone Canoe Club Meeting Minutes 31 May 2023.</p> <p>Apologies: James Copeland, Claire Norman, Holly Sherridan, Charlotte Fife, Leanne Jordan.</p> <p>Present: John Simmonds, Geoff Orford, Geoff Licence, Reece Nelmes, Paul Fife, Matt Clegg, Catherine Dacey</p>	
<p>Chairman's Report:</p> <p>Club continues to thrive.</p> <p>Recent trips include a White Water Leader Course with 5 participants from MCC.</p> <p>Alan N and Wally S continuing with their Sea Kayak Coach training.</p> <p>Just the racing side of the club which needs development.</p> <p>As a club we need to support coaches. Where there is a need and where the coach will use their skills to help the Club , the committee agreed to financial support on a case by case basis.</p> <p>Coaches , coaching on behalf of the club members where a need has been identified will be able to claim reasonable out of pocket expenses. Suggested fuel allowance of 30p per mile.</p> <p>Coaches will not be paid for their time.</p> <p>Any profit arising from Club Run courses will be put in a fund to pay the expenses.</p> <p>The club will set course fees for Club members with a premium for non members if there is space.</p> <p>All Leaders, Coaches and Instructors will be provided with a Club T shirt. The cost of this approx. £10 each will be met by the Club.</p> <p>Junior Club is thriving. Up to 4 new members are being admitted per session on a beginners course programme. Once they have completed their course some in 4 weeks some in more they join the club.</p> <p>There are currently about 30 taking part. The Club needs to make provision for the older juniors to be able to join the Sunday Paddles.</p> <p>CD to draw up a doodle poll to set up cover.</p> <p>GO to supply a list of Under 16's to enable a register to be drawn up for the Junior Club.</p> <p>JS to complete photo book for Tom's family.</p> <p>Committee needs to write an Emergency Action Plan.</p>	<p>CD</p> <p>GO</p>
<p>Secretary's Report:</p> <p>Thanks to Geoff Orford for all his work on a successful Maidstone Hasler race.</p> <p>Communication with Peel Ports with regard to not landing on the Islands in the Medway Estuary.</p> <p>CD to Contact Peel Ports for final clarification. Cd to also contact Rob Davis to see if he can throw any light on the issue.</p> <p>It appears the Islands are SSSI and used and leased by Wildfowling Groups.</p> <p>The Minutes from the MRUA Meeting have been requested.</p> <p>Following on from the Coach funding discussion CD to contact MC re Paddlesport Safety & Rescue Course Provider.</p>	<p>CD</p>
<p>Treasurer / Membership Secretary's Report:</p> <p>Current renewals 209</p> <p>Marathon made a profit of £229 with medals left for next year.</p> <p>Agreed at the meeting to buy a Dagger Stratos and Mamba 7.6 for £1000.</p> <p>Further spending on equipment RN/JC to look at 2 x small axioms and 5 small BA's.</p>	<p>JC/RN</p>

<p>Junior paddlers</p> <p>There are a number in the Junior Club who would benefit from coming to the Sunday paddles, need to ensure that there is cover by DBS'd people to be part of the group and make themselves known as the responsible adults.</p> <p>A Junior member has been put forward for a free membership. It was agreed.</p>	
<p>Meeting Closed at 10pm</p> <p>Next Meeting 28th June @ 7.30</p>	