



# Minutes

<b>Date</b>	8 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
<b>Time</b>	19:00-21:00
<b>Attendees</b>	Alison Slater-Williams, Brian Williams, Catherine Dacey, Geoff Orford, Mark Corti, Lee Horton, John Simmonds, Richard Clark, Reece Nelm, Michaela Wragg
<b>Apologies</b>	Bryn Price, Niki Norman,

## Standing Items

### **1. Actions Previous Minutes**

- RC to stencil boats and rack numbers
- JS/LH to order hoodies
- GO looked into claiming for stolen boat on insurance and advised we cannot claim
- RC has moved the boats for more boats to fit into storage room
- JS/GO confirm that the bell boat has been sold and £1000 received\
- Need to inspect work to be done on the workday
- RN agreed to stand as interim youth rep.
- BW reports that the grammar school training is going well with 5-10 girls regularly turning up. Need to confirm if we need to have a register for each session to ensure attendance. Also need to check if the girls have BCU/Club membership. LH has the syllabus for the course. GO to leave list of new members for BW to check- if not members will need to send a letter.
- GO completed lifeguarding training.

### **2. Chairman's Report**

- MC prepared initial plans for extension- advised minor amendments can be made to the plans.
- LH mentioned Brad Wright (club member) is a surveyor who agreed to do the surveying but LH has not heard back.
- BP advised we have missed the deadline to submit the plans and will need to re. Submit. There is no cost to this.

### **3. Treasurer/Membership Secretary's Report**

- GO reported accounts are good with £10894.94 surplus funds.
- GO suggested that membership fees remain the same. To be voted on at AGM.
- BW suggested increasing boat storage fees to £50. To be voted at AGM.
- GO reported membership is just under 200. Turnover rate remains constant.

### **4. Youth Rep. Report**

RN suggested sign by bridge. JS to look into signs currently there.



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RN suggested signing up people to courses during the open day. JS to make form.

LH said Kent Canoes are happy to come on an open day.

RN suggested refreshing club room. Item for work day.

RN suggested getting a few playboats. RC to look into buying 1 boat and see how it goes £200 budget.

RN suggested getting more left handed short paddles. RC to buy some £100 total budget.

## Agenda Items

### **1. Level 1 Coaching Course**

BW reported marathon not clashing with course.

LH reports been widely advertised.

4 booked need 6 minimum to run the course. £150 pp. Total cost is £1200. Need 8 to book to not run at a loss.

£50 bursary for club members

LH to ask when we need to cancel by if low numbers.

LH raised concern over the pre-requisites members would already have carried out (FSRT, 2 star, £39 CR).

### **2. Marathon**

- Marathon clashing with Slovenia and Scotland trips.
- Need a big plea for helpers on website (time keepers, booking in, turn points).
- GO suggested helpers to do a run through to ensure comfortable with IT. Advise need 4 computers.
- GO to send BW entry forms.
- Need someone to take the lead and organise a committee to run the day. Advised 2 weeks to source helpers or cancel.
- BW try to move to 30<sup>th</sup> April.
- JS to look at spreadsheets.
- BW suggested getting others trained up on IT for race moving forward.

### **3. Voting/nominations for AGM**

- Agreed worked well last year.
- Need to ask for nominations. MC to advertise.
- Need register to ensure only club members attend.

### **4. Course Fund for Longstanding Member**

Agreed that club has a bursary for all. To introduce a reward scheme would move away from the community spirit etc.

### **5. AOB**

#### River Festival

JS reports cleaner is good, but men's changing room some tiles are mouldy and there is some mouldy kit in there.

LH reports river festival on 29<sup>th</sup> July. Need 10 ppl for raft safety cover.



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MCC to provide buoyancy aids if needed. To be handed out and taken back in on return. Get contact details for point of contact for each raft in case BAs not returned.

MC to provide oblong boxes to wash BAs.

## Disused boats

LH mentioned boats next to shed not stored well. RC to ebay disused boats (winter not a good time to sell). Can be stored in bell boats place in the interim.

MC reported low on newsletter items.

CD to look into mug press for awards

Letter pick 5<sup>th</sup> March and boat trip on Kentish lady. Boat litter pick 12<sup>th</sup> March.

## **Actions**

BW to confirm if grammar school girls have club membership

BW to confirm with school if register needed

RC to stencil boats and rack numbers

JS/LH to order hoodies

Need to inspect work to be done on the workday

BW to look into moving marathon race date.

JS to look at marathon spreadsheets

MC to advertise for help in website for marathon.

JS to make form for open day course sign-ups.

JS to look at signs currently on the bridge.

RC to buy playboat and left handed short paddles.

MC to advertise for committee nominations.

MC to put spring head river paddle on website as from Yalding.