Minutes of the Committee Meeting

8th February 2016 / 7pm Gunners Bar

Committee Present: Names and positions
Elisabetta Loi [EL] (Treasurer), Fiona Findlay [FF] (General Member), Kerstin Jorna [KJ] (General Member), Duncan Heather [DH] (Commodore), Michael Cain [MC] (Secretary), Leandro Tramma [LT] (General Member), Bill Clark [BC] (Vice Commodore), Danny McCabe (DMcC)

ACTION

1. Apologies

All members of the Committee were present.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting 11th January 2015 were accepted as a true record. MC to forward to LT for publishing on the Website. **MC / LT**

3. Matters Arising / Actions Not on Agenda

The only item not on the Agenda is a request from the University of Dundee for volunteers to help with a study on sailing fitness. This to be mentioned in the next bulletin to Members. **MC**

4. Communication

E-mail problems and solution. The Club e-mail account had a problem with either hacking or spoofing. This was solved by some password and security changes. The Google Groups appears to have had problems with randomly removing members, for instance BC was removed from the "Members" list but not the "Committee" one.

FF had tried e-mailing the Programme but it did not work.

5. Sub-Committees

a. Programme

Some trips have been confirmed, amongst these are:

Newburgh regatta 04Jun16

Newburgh BBQ and camping 20-21 Aug16

Tay weekend 18 - 19Jun16

St Andrews 25Jun16

Waterfest 03Jul16

Perth trip 9 – 10 Jul16

Family day with suggested "Olympics" theme 13Aug16

There was discussion about guests from other Clubs who take up our invitation to use one of our Club boats. A suggested contribution of £10 per guest.

Children's training days. Three Saturday training sessions for children have been programmed, lead trainers are being approached.

b. Marketing

NESS feedback:

One of the suggestions from the NESS training day was that everyone involved in a public event should have an agreed script about membership of the Club.

We should make the most of the Waterfest with publicity and signing-up on the day, and a timetables training event ready to which people can be invited. A B5 flyer with Club contact details

The possibility of a printed Annual Membership Card which can be shown to traders when requesting a discount was discussed.

c. Operational Procedures

Club sailing procedure: MC, DH and John McIntosh meeting Friday 19Feb16. **DH / MC**

Safety Boat: DMcC working on this. **DMcC**

d. Social Events

Report on "Hint O' Burns. A surplus of £719.50 was made on this event, big thanks to BC for this.

There were some difficulties with the logistics for serving the meal, this will need to be thought about for next year's event.

6. Maintenance Boats

Club Dinghies

MC contacted possible leads for maintenance teams.

Alistair may take on the Kestrel.

DMcC still considering

The use of the club ISO and Enterprise was discussed. MC to circulate members asking if we should keep these, or try to sell them if there is no interest in sailing them.

7. Maintenance Building

Hedge planting. Euan has a load of beech hedging plants he is willing to donate to the club. A weekend work party will be needed to prepare the trench and plant them. A small digger will be hired for this.

Building development plan. DH, MC and Adrian Young met Iain Morrison about possible building improvement ideas, concentrating on the feasibility of moving the changing area downstairs. There was discussion on this. Adrian Young and Iain Morrison will continue pushing ahead with preparation

Windows on West side. BC getting quotes to replace these and make the lounge wind and water tight.

There is some cracking in the brickwork around the steel supporting columns.

8. Finance

Monthly position to be calculated for next meeting **EL**

9. Training

Training will be discussed at the meeting with Ancrum 10Feb16.

Some Certificates for completed RYA courses are still required from Randall.

10. Partners

Ancrum: meeting Tuesday 10th February at 5:30 pm to discuss training, especially for children., and other support for club development

RYA: meeting Monday 15th February at 7pm DSC clubhouse to look at the Development Plan progress.

11. AOCB

Comment from Alistair Waterston about introducing a “Life Member” category. It was felt that this was covered by the “Honorary Members” category. Possible a “Social Members” category might be needed in future.

East Scotland Sailing Champions League event at Port Edgar. MC to publicise this on the next Club e-mail bulletin. **MC**

Slipway. There was an accident on our slipway during the RTYC Winter Series where a catamaran owner slipped while getting the wheels to recover the boat. There was a discussion on the best way of keeping the slipway safe. BC favours regular applications of sand, other options are chemicals and power washing. Warning signage might also be required.

12. Date of Next Meeting

14th March 2015