

## Carlisle Canoe Club

### Committee meeting minutes 20<sup>th</sup> September 2016

#### Present:

Tony Colla (Treasurer), Zoe Southern (Secretary), Walter McPhee, John Storr, John McAllister (Chairman), Ben McAllister (Youth Representative), Mike Saunders, Stephen Kavanagh, Cerys and Maureen Smyth, Norrie Brown (Vice Chairman), Pam and Sam Bloomfield, Rachel Prudham

#### Apologies:

Antony Pike Bowyer (Coach/Leader Development & Co-ordination)

#### Minutes of last meeting:

Seen and agreed.

#### Matters arising:

- Jim Wilson memorial paddle is on 24<sup>th</sup> September. Everyone encouraged to attend.

#### Treasurers report

##### Accounts/finance\*:

Current Account: £ 5634.54

Business Account: £ 3212.04

Petty Cash: £ 200.11

Total: £ 9046.69

Unpresented cheques: £ 50.00

##### \*Amounts from 2/9/16

- Sponsored roll cheques still to be sent.
- Discussed cheque donated to Hospice at home in memory of Dave Lawton which has not been presented. Tony will send a new cheque.
- Charges for the pool rolling sessions were discussed and it was decided to keep the charges the same at £3 per person/£5 per family.
- EPIC Events have donated £250 to the club to say thanks for all the help with safety swims.
- Mentioned that Cumbria Canoeists have decided that anyone who wants to apply for a grant to improve their coaching. The grants can be up to £500.

##### Trips-

- Various lakes for kayak safety events  
Wet West, Eden, Tees Barrage, Pinkston.

## **A.o.b**

- Walter Mc
  - Will run some trips when there is more water and will arrange surf trips when forecast is good.
  
- Rachel P
  - Reported that some sea kayaks need fixing. Was advised to use booklet in the clubhouse and everyone was reminded that sea kayaks need to be rinsed out after every use and skegs should be looked after and not dragged over stones. John will look at the sea kayaks and review what needs to be done.
  - Enjoyed SUP sessions and feels it appeals to other people. It was suggested that we could hire the paddle boards from Border Kayaks for more sessions/trips.
  
- Cerys
  - Wants to learn to roll and go on more river trips.
  
- John Storr
  - Thinks Thursdays are quiet. Not all beginners are encouraged to come on Thursdays due to no guaranteed coaches and it was discussed that Thursday sessions need more structure.
  
- Zoe
  - Thanked everyone who helped make the slalom event a success and Border Kayaks for donations for prizes.
  - Suggested that committee meeting each month is too frequent and not in line with other clubs. It was discussed and seconded by John. Decided that committee meetings will be every 2 months and extra can always be held if required.
  
- Mike S
  - Suggested buoys be purchased for coaching and offered to buy them and get reimbursed by Tony. Options were discussed and 6x 6" buoys decided on.
  - Offered to help run river trips when more water around.
  
- Stephen
  - Is now coaching and will contact Lizzie for disclosure information.
  
- Norrie
  - Will be more available for coaching on weekends.

- John
  - Discussed changing weekend sessions from Saturday to Sunday mornings. It was discussed that this may not work with other river users such as fishermen and decided to keep day same as Saturday. Time of sessions tbc
  - Has dates free in October for simple river trips and suggested the Derwent, Annan, Upper Esk, Tyne.
  - Mentioned Women's sport week is 3-9 October. Club to consider doing something for this.
  - Cumbria Canoeists have a session on Killington Lake on 9<sup>th</sup> December. See their website for more details.
  - Raised that there are lottery grants available for a celebration to be planned. We have until 21<sup>st</sup> October to apply.
  - Reminded everyone about Jim Wilson memorial paddle was on Sunday 10am.
  - Reminded everyone that the last session was the next Thursday with BBQ afterwards.
  - Pool sessions have been arranged by John to start Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October 8.15-9.15

Coaching rota: speak to Ant if you are available to coach and sessions.

Next meeting will be the AGM on 25<sup>th</sup> October at 6.30pm at St Augustine's Parish church.