



Committee 2015-16

Alison Slater-Williams (**ASW**) **Secretary**, William Norman (**WN**) **Chairman**, Brian Williams (**BW**) **Youth Officer**, Bryn Price (**BP**) **Vice Chair**, Catherine Dacey (**CD**) **Welfare Officer**, Geoff Orford (**GO**) **Membership Secretary/Treasurer**, Ian Dann (**ID**) **Development Officer**, Lee Horton (**LH**) **First Aid Officer**, Malcolm Crampton (**MC**) **Racing Bosun**, Niki Norman (**NN**) **Events and Events Safety Officer**, Richard Clark (**RC**) **Bosun General Paddling and Buildings Officer**, Tom Collins (**TC**) **Youth Representative**

Minutes

Date: February 5th 2016

Time:

Present: WN, ASW, BW, BP, GO, ID, LH, RC, TC

Apologies: NN, CD, MC,

Agenda Item: Chairman (William Norman)

Discussion

Minutes from the previous meeting

Action

Agreed and signed off.

Discussion

Sub Aqua Club/building development

BP has been in touch with Mid Kent Planning who referred him back to the Maidstone office. He spoke to the Maidstone office today (February 5th) and they have said we will have a response within 10 days.

Action

BP to feed back to the committee once he has had a response.
GO to present proposals and update to members at the AGM.

Discussion

Parking

LH and **BP** have each spoken to managers at Freedom Fitness over the last couple of weeks. The plan is for the company who manage the parking to install a machine in MCC. Club members' registration numbers will be entered into the machine so they will not attract a parking fine if they stay for more than 3 hours. A date for installation, written confirmation of these plans or any further information has not yet been received.

Action

Monitor and ask Freedom Fitness to keep the club informed fully of developments with the new parking system.

Discussion

Committee Awards 2015-16

One of the members of MCC is a glass artist. **WN** has asked her to create glass awards that include etched MCC logos for the committee awards. Recipients will keep these awards and each will cost the club £25.

Action

WN to forward names of awards to **ASW**.
Nominations to be confirmed at the next meeting.

<p>Discussion New voting system for AGM Situations vacant for AGM Voting will be by a paper ballot system this year. Different options were discussed and it was decided that it would be beneficial to have nominations in advance of the AGM. Those current members of the committee who would like to stand for election again will state so and the same process of nomination and backing by a second member of the club will take place in advance of the AGM. Anyone else who would like to stand for election should make his or her intentions known. Someone needs to nominate and another second the nomination and forward this to the current secretary by email one week before the AGM. A new register and document for nominations has also been produced.</p>	<p>Action WN will publicise the AGM on the club's website and ask for nominations. He will also include a list of current committee members who have already been nominated and seconded for the 2016 election. If someone wishes to stand specifically for the positions of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer, Membership Secretary, Secretary or Youth Representative this must be made clear when nominating and seconding. WN will also advertise for a club fundraiser and also a Paddleability officer. These positions do not necessitate being a member the committee.</p>
<p>Discussion Sport Relief The club was contacted by the BBC and asked to help enable one of the BBC reporters to complete a paddle of the Medway for Sport Relief. WN responded the same day and had an acknowledgement but as yet has not had further updates.</p>	<p>Action WN to email the contact at the BBC again.</p>
<p>Discussion Stand up boarding and purchases Spending of £500 on boards was agreed at a previous meeting but purchases will not now be made until the next financial year. WN will be taking recommendations from an experienced coach for the purchase of these boards. On Saturday 6th February 2016 WN, NN, BP and Steve Chinn, alongside non-members of the club will be doing a course that will be run at MCC. It is currently the biggest growing sport.</p>	<p>Action Wetsuits will be needed for this form of paddling. Boards will be purchased in the new financial year.</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Treasurer and Membership Secretary (Geoff Orford)</p>	
<p>Discussion Latest accounts distributed and discussed. Current membership stands at 209.</p>	<p>Action</p>

<p>Discussion Affiliation Licences The cost of affiliation has changed from £7-£10 per licence. MCC usually purchases 45 but have reduced the number of club boats.</p>	<p>Action GO to purchase 35 licences this financial year.</p>
<p>Discussion Membership Fees and boat storage charges It was agreed that there is justification to increase all fees by £5 per year with the exception of the junior membership. It was felt that boat storage should increase to £40 per year from the current £30 per boat. These proposals will be presented at the AGM but still remain excellent value in comparison to other clubs.</p>	<p>Action GO to present to members at the AGM.</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Bosun Reports (Richard Clark and Malcolm Crampton)</p>	
<p>Discussion General Paddling Nothing to report.</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>Discussion Racing Boats There are plans to have a spring clear out and sell 6 or 7 boats on Ebay.</p>	<p>Action</p>
<p>Agenda Item: Clubhouse</p>	
<p>Discussion Buildings Officer RC has a new tile to repair the hole in the roof. Rubbish outside to be cleared when the committee organises a work day in the Spring</p>	<p>Action RC to complete the repair.</p>
<p>Officer Reports</p>	
<p>Discussion Youth Representative No progress on the weights but BW agreed to purchase some and claim the money back in the next few weeks.</p>	<p>Action BW to purchase weights before the next meeting.</p>
<p>Discussion Youth Officer BW still hopes to put something on when the weather is more clement. Nominations put forward for Junior paddler award.</p>	<p>Action BW to organise a poster and an event.</p>
<p>Discussion Welfare Officer Nothing to report.</p>	<p>Action</p>

Discussion First Aid Officer No accidents reported. All kit boxes fully stocked.	Action
Discussion Events and Events Safety Officer WN put forward the following proposals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To raise money with a monthly or weekly lottery e.g. a 50/50 club. Quiz night (£5 per head). Summer barbeque. Race Night. Bring and buy (kit) sale at open days or club race day. 	Action
Discussion Development Officer Development plan Thank you to ID for his thorough work in producing the new action/development plan that has been shared with all committee members.	Action Committee members to feed back any comments to ID regarding the plan.
Agenda Item: Coaching Development Group	
Discussion NN has organised and publicised a meeting of the CDG on the website to elect a new chairman following the resignation of Mark Corti from the post.	Action Newly qualified coaches are encouraged to attend the CDG meetings.
Suggestion box	
Discussion Item for newsletter regarding development of club GO has kindly written an item for the newsletter.	Action GO to forward this to Mark Corti.
Secretary	
Discussion Nothing to report.	Action
AOB Jamie McConville gave a presentation to the committee. He may be able to help the club deliver more term time opportunities for schools. Feasibility still needs to be worked out by Jamie but in principle the committee agreed that this could be a positive development for the club.	
Date of Next Meeting: March 4th 7-8.30 pm	
Circulate to: ASW, WN, BW, BP, CD, GO, ID, LH, MC, NN, RC, TC	