

Hexham Canoe Club Committee¹ Meeting
Thursday 16th July 2009, 19.30, Dyvels Pub, Corbridge

Apologies: Sarah, Eddie, Scott
 Present: Andy, Claire, Bobby, Lorraine, Anna, Nigel, Nick, Colin, Michael, David.

Pl's	<p>Priority items for meeting (identified to Chair at start)</p> <p>1. Use of towlines There was a non-incident involving the use of a towline by someone who did not have a coaching qualification Action: Coaches responsible for groups will use their judgement regarding the competency of helpers to use towlines.</p> <p>2. Rowing Club The Committee noted with sadness, the recent death of Geoff Wilkinson, who has been leading the Rowing Club through the Boathouse development Action: Lorraine will send a condolence card to his family on behalf of HCC</p> <p>3. Boathouse It was reported that there is a provisional start date for the project of 10th August, aiming to complete on 6th November. We will therefore need to clear the boathouse over the weekend of August 8th to 9th. Action: DG and MN to coordinate the clearance of the boathouse and painting of equipment not likely to be needed. AB to contact Guy Whickham to ask for two containers to be available in time for the weekend.</p> <p>4. Tyne Tour Safety AB updated Committee regarding the safety warnings in this year's Tyne Tour Brochure and on the website. Action: RH will pass on BCU advice regarding risk management plan for large events.</p>	
Declaration of interests: None		
Standard default items.		
1	Minutes of the last meeting (Approved)	
2	<p>Matters arising from the last meeting</p> <p>Under boathouse insurance: DG will liaise with the insurers to ensure that we have insurance cover over the period of the boathouse building project.</p>	
3	<p>Secretary's report (DG/NC)</p> <p>Membership cards are being issued</p>	
4	<p>Treasurer's Report / Money (Rend)</p> <p>Treasurer's report circulated at the meeting for comment.</p>	
5	<p>Tyne Tour (ABritt)</p> <p>Previously discussed</p>	
6	<p>NE Region</p> <p>The new Bursary Application Form is available to be downloaded from the Regional Website: www.canoenortheast.org.uk</p> <p>The consultation period for the Local Club Coach has ended and it is most likely, that as a result of Sport England's changed priorities, there will only be one post available to this region and that the focus of the post will be on competitive disciplines rather than on recreational paddling. Action: AB will write to the local MP deploring this apparent change in Sport England's priorities away from inclusiveness toward elitism. Other Committee members with connections to other constituencies were encouraged to write to their MP to raise concerns about Sport England's changed priorities.</p>	
7	<p>PDO report</p> <p>No report available</p>	

¹ Elected Committee: Andy Brittlebank, Sarah Wootton, Dave Glendenning, Lorraine Glendenning, Colin Rendall, Nick Coulson, Bobby Timperley, Claire Ridley, Anna Barker, Michael Nelson, Eddie Watson
 Co-opted Members: Paul Burgess (as Pool Rep), Scott

8	<p>Top Club (DG) Action: DG will arrange a meeting with R Hudspith to review our folder prior to the September Committee meeting</p>	
9	<p>Youth Leader (LG) 8 young people from the School-Club links have completed the course. The Placid Water Race Day is arranged for 26th July. Helpers are needed. Action: LG will organise the helpers rota and NC will email members to seek volunteers 12 students took part in canoeing as part of the QEHS transfer day on July 1st. Matthew Coulson and Chloe G took part in the Wildwater Racing Team GB training weekend in Wales Sandra Hyslop has won Team Gold and individual silver at the European Wildwater Championships</p>	
10	<p>Child Welfare Officer (CR) Nothing to report</p>	
11	<p>Boathouse Manager (DG) We have recently bought three Pyranha G3's. Thanks to Scott for his negotiating skills</p>	
12	<p>Coaching Reps (MN/EW) 3 informal Friday morning coaching sessions have been organised Sea kayak coaching has now been completed. Some trips will be organised. Mick is running a 'drop-in' Two Star level coaching group on Wednesday and Saturdays, mainly for people who cannot commit to attend every week. Simon T is arranging a Foundation WWSR course for the August Bank Holiday weekend. Thanks to Les for helping on Fridays</p>	
13	<p>Trips Reporter Sea trip on 12th, Hexham to Corbridge trips on 15th and 17th. Nothing to report from these.</p>	
14	<p>AOB Simon Tibbits is organising a summer holiday programme. This is advertised on the web site. Scott has obtained quotes for polo shirts and hoodies. Agreed to charge £23 for hoodies, £18 for polo shirts and £23 for polo shirts. They will be advertised to Club members and on the web site. The next Coaching Forum is overdue</p>	

Next meeting: August 20th 7-30pm, venue: The Levels

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