Glasgow Coastal Rowing Club

Committee Meeting Thursday 14 September 2017 – 18.30 GalGael, 15 Fairley Street Glasgow G51 2TS

Present: Ian Watson, Gordon McCracken, Fiona MacLeod, Ben Wilde

Apologies: Eva Bolander, Christine Morrison, Ana Rotmistrovsky

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Meeting 17 Aug 2017

Minutes were approved.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

Discussed in subsequent agenda.

3. Finance and Membership Report

Membership renewal stands at 82 paid up members for the current financial year. Merchandising orders surplus is projected to be circa £340. Overall, we are projecting a budget surplus for the year of £240. Thanks to IW for his efforts in tracking this information and for regular and detailed finance reports.

4. Clydebuilt Festival; Castle to Crane; Glasgow Cup: updates

CtoC: Friday prep:

FMcL checking with DC re: whether or not her husband has a lighting board and cable for the GG boat trailer.

GM and IW will assist with getting boats on to the trailer at Riverside Slipway from Friday at 1pm.

BW to provide ratchet straps for this transport.

1x GMRC volunteer needed for carpark duties on the Friday.

CtoC: Saturday:

GCRC Volunteers are required to set up at 12noon for finish line monitoring.

FOCCRS have kindly offered us a gazebo for shelter.

Finish line volunteers will need to bring an iPad or tablet with the app for tracking boat finish time loaded up on to it prior to the event, and a clipboard with paper so they can also keep a written back-up record of arrivals.

Volunteers will not be expected to stay beyond prize-giving time at 5pm.

Marshalling volunteers – if anyone volunteers for more than 4 hours they will receive a T-shirt, a beer and a meal for their time.

Heavy lifting volunteers: no more than 5 people needed to assist with lifting boats out of the water. They will use launch trolleys beyond the grassy area.

GCRCs' boats will also require to be lifted from the water after the race so that there is plenty of room at the pontoon.

Stall volunteers: they will not have to take anything away overnight Saturday/into Sunday from the stall (apart from the cash) as there is overnight security on the Riverside.

Best odds decided for the tombola are 10 to 1.

Glasgow Cup: Sunday:

Safety boats laying race marks at 9am.

Coxes' briefing at 10am, first race at 10:30am.

Thanks to Rachel Edwards for sorting out the loan of race turning marks from LOMO.

Following Adam's advice, we'll be using port turns on the course. Race distance projected at 1 ¼ nautical miles, each race is anticipated to last 15 minutes.

Couple of extra GCRC volunteers needed to look after Safety/Umpire boats welfare, get them cups of tea, etc. and manage teams on the pontoon in terms of shouting at them to get into boats.

GG has the air horn that was used last year for starting races.

GMcC (race officer) has a loudhailer for amplification purposes.

GMcC will need one of the VHFs for communication purposes, the other will be in the GCRC boat.

Two stopwatches will be required for timekeeping, along with a golf umbrella wielding volunteer.

Points system will run as follows: 8 points to 1st boat over line, 7 to second, and so on.

Points tally at end of all the races will reveal Glasgow Cup winner.

Lane draws and race order will revealed at Coxes' briefing.

Festival take-down:

Anticipate that we can start the deinstall from circa 4pm.

5. Merchandising: update

Members have collected their new kit items. There is a small surplus of items available from our most recent order. IW will issue another email after Clydebuilt Festival to build up new orders, as BarOne are able to run small numbers of kit off for us.

6. Rowing

a) Crews: CtoC; Glasgow Cup - Organisation /Tasks

CtoC A team will row Gobhancroit with the white/red oars.

B team will take Lady Danger with the unvarnished brown oars.

Both boats need to carry a roll of gaffer tape on race day, for emergency repairs.

Glasgow Cup all spaces on crews have been filled.

b) VHF sets: Protocol

We will be transmitting on channel M1 for VHF during the festival.

We agreed to mark both VHFs with the GCRC name. FMcL speaking to SK re: borrowing Dremel for this purpose.

IW to register both VHF radios with OFCOM.

7. Skiffs and Equipment

a) Gobhancroit

Hull cleaning planned for Wednesday 20 September Club night. IW and FMcL will varnish the oar that's currently being fixed in GG over weekend of 15/17th September, to give a complete set.

b) Lady Danger

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c) Chandlery needed now / next:

1 x new bailer; 2 x new sponges for boats.

d) Oars Commission Update

Email received from Jonny Burke, apologising for delay and failure to complete commission in time for CtoC. He has offered 15% discount in recognition of our situation. GM noted his disappointment; GCRC were about to take part in two important events, without the new set of oars which we had expected. GM would reply to JB acknowledging the discount and proceeding with the commission.

8. Diary

- a) Committee meeting: set next date Thursday 26 October 6:30pm at GalGael.
- b) Other important dates/activities
 Loch Tummel Open Water 28 October BW may take a picnic class vessel to this, should any members wish to attend they would be welcome.

9. AOB