

Glasgow Coastal Rowing Club

Committee meeting

Thursday 26 April 2018

Barge

Present: Fiona MacLeod, Ian Watson, Kate Borland, Gordon McCracken, Michael Stratigos

Agenda

1. Minutes of AGM 18 April 2018

Approved

2. AGM

It was agreed that the venue was a success and to be continued.

3. Finance and Membership Report

Club funds indicate £1630 in the bank, a potential £500 Sports Council grant and a future spend on maintenance of £852.

Currently 64 members, £890 in income, so the club should over achieve £900 budgeted.

IW to remind members of cut off date of end of April for fees.

4. Skippering: current situation and next steps

The club has passed the 500 mark for rowing sessions.

Michael Stratigos welcomed as new skipper and Fran and Jim soon to be signed off.

IW to make PDF of instructions for Eventbrite accessible on website.

FMacL to email delegates at coxing course to cascade learnings to the Committee and any others interested.

IW to create google doc for skippers to share lessons learned during sessions.

5. Skiffs & Equipment: Maintenance Programme Update and projected timescale

The work on Bonxie has been nearly completed and launch date planned for Sat 19 May at 12 noon. Two volunteer apprentice boat builders from LEAP to receive 1 year membership as thanks.

It was agreed in consultation with CMT that maintenance work on our 2 existing skiffs could be completed before work starts on the new builds.

Lady Danger to be taken into workshop on Thursday 2 May for an end of May completion, when work on Gobhancroit will commence.

IW to invite 8 volunteers to help bring boat out of the water on 2 May.

Daily work needed on skiffs for next 2 months - GMcC provided comprehensive description of works and risk assessment. Process of organising teams to complete this will be done through Eventbrite. Saturday work sessions may be included in the programme, thanks to CMT staff.

Sophie to be asked to put names/numbers back on each skiff at suitable point in the programme.

Club will operate with 1 skiff from 3 May until 1 July.

KB to ask Cameron Hughes (SCRA) to ensure both skiffs are registered as GCRC/Gal Gael and not Glasgow Schools.

Lady Danger cox seat damaged and no 3 seats in both skiffs defective: template for seats to be made so they can be repaired in the future without taking skiffs out of the water.

6. Oar Commission

Jonny Burke, Boatwright agreed to replace no 3 oar by 20 April, and after several attempts to contact him this still has not happened.

IW to send letter to JB.

7. New vessels, The Might Splash & Bonxie/rules for use/launch date

GMcC to cost fenders and various other issues.

A system of noting use of vessels will need to be established to ensure fairness.

Rowlocks will need split rings or to be taken in after use.

8. Pontoon/Barge: Refurbishment/Development/Protocols

Barge to be painted deep Saxe Blue – thanks to Open Saturday members who took part in informal survey - 15 litres should cover it.

The present barge mooring and fendering arrangements should be addressed to facilitate safe access at all tide times.

GMcC to pursue estimates for improvements, and for window and door repairs.

IW to email FMacL rules of barge use for lamination.

IW to create a sign to say wait at the gate until skipper lets members on pontoon.

9. Orcuan Kit Storage: Draft Agreement/Communication with CMT

Orcuan kit already in barge Wet Room.

Gregor recently witnessed attempted break in after gate was left open on a Monday night so shutting of gate needs to be reiterated, together with adherence of all our rules.

CMT to be informed of storage proposal, with clear statement that no sub-letting is involved.

If approved, formal arrangement to be made, and reviewed on a 3 monthly basis.

Pontoon Gate Code only given to skippers as there are too many members to make it public.

IW confirm with CMT Orchan's storage and to confirm we are not subletting.

10. Grant Application/s: Priorities and Timescale

Sports Council application is due by mid June. It was agreed that the barge refurbishment would be the chosen project to present as it the most pressing and would suit the criteria required.

MS to submit after checking last year's report. IW to assist with budget/cost section of application.

MS to investigate Marie-Claire's suggestion of Thornwood/Partick community fund.

MS to contact developers near to pontoon for potential sponsorship.

FMacL to get contact details of Head of Glasgow Life for MS.

Other projects to be identified to take the club to the next level. We will have 4 skiffs in the future so maintenance will be a consideration.

IW to get a cost on trailer hire so we can test interest in regattas and therefore see the potential of buying a trailer as a future project for funding application.

11. Clydebuilt 2018: GCRC staff/C2C: Entry Fee/Crew selection

After success of tombola of last year it was agreed that we should pay £60 for stall.

Entrance fee for C2C is £80 per boat. The club will pay the fee upfront and crew can refund if enough interest shown.

Those interested should organise crews and set training schedule.

12. Proposed Litter Pick/Environmental Clean Up & Analysis Update

MS to do risk assessment further to sending photos to Cath Gemmell at Marine Conservation Society then set a date for an initial litter pick up around pontoon.

Risk Assessment to be shared with CMT, Riverside Museum and Glasgow Life and any other affected parties.

Gregor to be informed of process.

MS to inform Partick Action Litter Group of date of initial litter pick up.

Cath Gemmell will assess what kind of plastics are being dumped to try to link to source.

13. Social Event

To take place at The Wee Dram on Fri 4 May.