Glasgow Coastal Rowing Club

Committee Meeting Thursday 11 May 2017 – 18.30 GalGael, 15 Fairley Street Glasgow G51 2TS

Present: Ian Watson, Gordon McCracken, Fiona MacLeod, Anabel Rotmistrovsky, Ben

Wilde

Apologies: Christine Morrison

AGENDA

1. Minutes of Meeting 11 March 2017

Minutes were approved with the amendment of acknowledging Eve Strickland's resignation from the committee and with thanks for her input to date.

2. Matters arising from previous minutes

Discussed in subsequent agenda.

3. Finance and Membership Report

Membership renewal stands at 62 paid up members for the current financial year.

Current cash stands at £1105.33, including cash and cash in the bank.

Merchandising should offer us a way forward for raising further revenues in the coming months.

A further email to lapsed members indicating a cut-off point of 30 May to be circulated.

4. GCRC Documentation Review, incl. Risk Assessments

IW to circulate GalGael's risk assessment document for the committee to adapt for GCRC's use.

5. Members' Testimonials: method of gathering/collation

AR to draft three questions for review by IW, GMcC and FMacL, which will be emailed to likely regular rowers who would be willing to give testimonials.

6. Clydebuilt Festival; Castle to Crane; Glasgow Cup: updates, Crew Selection Criteria for each; training regime & timetable; Glasgow Cup Eligibility Criteria for other Clubs to take part; advertisement of same on SCRA website etc.

The cost for registering a boat for Castle to Crane is £80.

Rowers to be asked to split the cost between them.

Further training sessions will be organised in due course. Initial sessions are running on Mondays and Thursdays.

Classes that boats will be entering are to be decided nearer the race date. GCRC will enter two boats.

IW and GMcC to speak to Gregor re: possibility of a tow to the start point.

Glasgow Cup has a cap of 12 boats taking part.

This is limited to South West region initially and then opened up by ballot to other interested teams.

Seven spots have been filled by SW region.

BW to draw a ballot on the five spots remaining and communicate selection to those teams. Course to be firmed up but a v-shaped short course is favoured.

Advertisement has been successful to date on SCRA website, with much interest expressed.

7. Organising Groups: Glasgow Cup, Fund Raising, Merchandising, Social Events: progress?

GCRC to discuss with Clydebuilt Festival organisers any assistance that we might be able to offer in welcoming other skiff clubs during the Clydebuilt Festival.

GCRC member Doleen Cunningham is taking fundraising and merchandising forward. IW has held discussion with the Tall Ship re: holding a fundraising event there. All agreed that it would be best to hold such an event after the Clydebuilt Festival in September. October mooted as an option.

Discussion on holding a more informal fundraiser ensued. AR to look at options for a suitable venue in the next couple of months.

8. Rowing

- a) Cox training/qualification update
 - FMacL and Bob now certified coxes. BW to run another session for trainees in near future.
- b) Rowing Session Types & Timings
 - Longer race training sessions are being organised and are ongoing. GMcC and IW in discussion with Tall Ship re: use of their boat side pontoon to facilitate faster turnaround on weekend rowing sessions.
- c) Eventbrite: Emergency Contact Protocol Coxes are responsible for how they access the emergency contact details and it is down to the individual as to whether they want to carry a hardcopy during sessions or use the Google Drive version.
- d) VHF Training
 - If (3) or more members sign up, total cost would be £110 per person; £ 50 for the Training, £60 to RYA for Test/Certification. Full day Course normally offered by SeaForce on a Sunday.
- e) Possible Rescue Drill involving Fire & Rescue GMcC taking this forward with relevant Station Commander.

9. Skiff and Equipment

- a) Gobhancroit
 - Relaunch scheduled for 18 May 5pm. BW to invoice GCRC for the refit.
- b) Lady Danger
 - No.4 oar in workshop for scarf joint repair. BW had identified a matched set of (4) oars which GCRC could purchase at £100.00 per oar. Agreed to loan these on test to GCRC meantime. Might be possible to apply for a grant to cover this cost from Sports Council of Glasgow. To be investigated.
- c) Chandlery needed now / next
 - 5 fenders, 6 lifejackets and 10 metres of mooring line required.

10. Diarv

- a) Committee meeting: set next date Thursday 6 July 6:30pm
- b) Other important dates/activities

Portsoy Regatta: limited response to email requesting towing assistance for trip to Portsoy, so no formal presence from GCRC will be possible. BW will attend.

11. AOB

FMacL to add Broughty Ferry Visitors' rowing trip on 13/05/17 to GCRC Eventbrite listings for tracking.