

MINUTES OF MEETING

Present: Alasdair Mackenzie (AMack), Douglas Hamilton (DH), Sandra Byrne (SB), Bob Rowe, Maggie Byrne (MB), Ian Hay (IH), Linda Hay (LH), Michael Hay, Fiona L MacKenzie (FLM), Geoff Webster, Tristan Southall (TS)

Subject: PSBSC General Committee Meeting

Date of Meeting: Friday 25th June 2010

Apologies: Lyndsay Avern (LA), Alex Mackenzie (Alex), Morag Amos (MA), Graham Sharp (GS), Belle McAndrew (BM), Catriona Hay, Fiona K MacKenzie (FKM), Neil MacRae, Freya Allan, Sam MacKenzie

1. Welcome

Warm welcome to Fiona L Mackenzie and Tristan Southall to their first committee meeting. Tristan's secondment to the committee was proposed by Maggie and seconded by Douglas in lieu of the work he has been doing regarding Tuesday Club Nights.

Note

2. Matters Arising

2.1 Adoption of the minutes from the meeting on the 26th February.

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2.2 Congratulations were noted for BM on completing her Power Boat Level 2 Instructors course, and also on training Tristan Southall and Michelle Baron.

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2.3 Rescue Boat Procedure/Training: The issue of appropriate training and procedures was raised again. It was agreed that the Training Committee should outline specific Rescue Boat training and protocol.

IH

2.4 It was agreed that a note of thanks be sent to Dennis Fyfe for checking the club's radio system, as well as to Dennis Havard for kindly donating a new radio, which shall hopefully be fitted in the boatshed.

SB

Dennis Fyfe cannot guarantee to be available as a 24 hour contact. The Commodore will approach Andy Mitchell and between them both, adequate cover will be provided.

Note

AMack

2.5 It was agreed that the Safety Boat committee would supply a laminated card for both safety boats outlining appropriate radio etiquette.

MB

2.6 The Commodore is compiling an 'Officer of the Day/Commodore Handbook'. It was also suggested that Charles M MacRae be asked to publish Race Day weather forecasts on the notice board (they will also be published on website).

AMack

SB

3. Logo

LA and Angie Campbell supplied four updated logos. It had been discovered that the constitution stipulated that the logo must be yellow and black. It was suggested by the Commodore that the RYA should be contacted to discover what they recognise as the club's pennant. (Update: *DH has contacted the RYA and they do not keep a register of club burgees*).

Note

It was agreed that the new club logo should be the updated yellow and black outline of an island with three trees.

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4. Club Nights Update

TS submitted a report to the committee on the success of the Club Nights to date, although raising a concern about the development from Toppers to double-handed boats, and the necessary drive to encourage competent people to helm.

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He expressed concern that a lack of boats is preventing this from happening and articulated a desire for the club to look into providing funds for a new or second hand club owned centreboard. TS was highly commended for on his leadership of the club nights.

Note

5. Membership

5.1 Logo

LA will provide a style guide enabling all printed items to be consistent.

LA

5.2 Handbooks

The Handbooks have been delivered to DH and have been distributed. It was noted that the Handbooks are being circulated with a simple membership card which entitles each member to a 10% discount at Caley Marina in Inverness.

Note

5.3 Membership Update

LA also provided the committee with an update of the number of memberships which shows that the club is attracting both new members and lapsed members. This is mainly down to the Tuesday Club Nights and improved communications. Congratulations to LA and TS. It was agreed that this information along with website statistics should be published on the Club's website.

LA

5.4 Honorary Memberships

Will continue to be considered on an individual basis only. It was agreed that the committee nominate candidates at the AGM.

Note

5.5 Events

The Green Blue RYA initiative has expressed an interest in hosting an informal presentation. It was agreed that talks by them, and also by the intrepid Peter MacAllister and the sail-maker Chris Owen, should be held on Tuesday Club nights.

TS

5.6 Open Day	<p>The success of the Open Day held on the 15th of May was reiterated. LA is in the process of drawing up a checklist for next year. Feedback suggests it should be repeated although later in the season (possibly June), and it should be held on a day when the tide is in. Special commendation for the Senior Citizens Party committee who ran teas and coffees in the village hall, and also to LA and TS for the work they did in organising the event.</p>	<p>Note LA Note</p>
6. New Boats	<p>The purchase of new centreboards was discussed. It was decided that a 'New Boat' Sub-committee be formed comprising of DH, TS and LA who should outline a plan for sponsorship, awards applications and local fundraising.</p>	<p>DH/TS /LA</p>
	<p>It should be noted that the committee supports the acquisition of new centreboards to encourage younger members to continue to enhance their skills.</p>	<p>Note</p>
7. Boat Shed	<p>Davie Fraser has not replied to the club regarding a re-build quote for the Boat Shed. It was agreed that Dougie Moyes be approached to conduct an electrical check.</p>	<p>Alex</p>
	<p>Alex proposed a clear out of the Boat Shed and will liase with TS regarding how to make it more comfortable for Club Nights etc.</p>	<p>Alex/TS</p>
8. Training	<p>John Leiper will run the following training sessions over the next few weeks: Sat/Sun June 26/27 for Junior Stage 3. Adult Stage 1 course ran on Sat/Sun 3/4 July. There will be two training weeks in July: week beginning 5th and 19th.</p>	<p>Note</p>
	<p>It is planned to run a club activity morning on the first Monday of Regatta (and possibly other suitable mornings) – being run on similar lines to the Club Nights.</p>	<p>MA</p>
9. Racing & Sailing	<p>GS has agreed to be the representative Centreboard skipper, and it was also agreed that TS be co-opted onto the committee. It was agreed that rules be drawn up for the annual rowing race and an appropriate trophy (poss. Strome Challenge Cup) sourced for it.</p>	<p>Note RSSC</p>
10. Handicap	<p>The minutes are now available and will be put on website.</p>	<p>LH/LA</p>
11. Social	<p>Success of the Open Day was reported. Band for the regatta dance has been provisionally booked but John Don Mackenzie needs to be contacted for confirmation.</p>	<p>FMcK</p>
12. Cruising Cup	<p>Will meet to discuss Peter MacAllister's log.</p>	<p>MB</p>

13. Correspondence

The club received a Thank you from Macmillan Cancer Relief for the donation made from the takings of the Bar at the Open Day. Note

14. AOB

14.1 It was suggested that Suzie and Allan Burrell be asked to source a new plinth for the Ex-Commodore's trophy. DH

14.2 Congratulations to DH for completing the Update of the Trophy Winners Board in the Boat Shed. Note

14.3 Thanks to Dick MacRae for the donation of a framed print for the Boat Shed and a rug for a raffle during the summer. SB

14.4 Ceathrar Bhalach still needs an experienced helm. It was suggested that GS be approached, and the involvement of young crew members should be encouraged. *(update: MB has spoken to GS and he is not interested. There is a proposal that Peter Watt be asked to rig the boat at the Club's expense and it be available for members for the season. MB will ask Peter for a quote)* MB