

COMMITTEE MEETING 3rd May 2022

HURDLEMAKERS ARMS PH 7.00PM

1. **Present** CM AH DC RW SW KM TJ JP CG
2. **Apologies** Nil
3. **Approval of minutes** CM, seconded by RW
4. **Matters outstanding** KM has made a record of all club boats and their locations, boat stickers on order
5. **Chairman’s report** – Buoyancy aids ordered from Daryl Pedder (10 junior)

I am happy with the way the club is progressing we are having touring, white water, sea, and pool sessions, we work closely with other clubs, joint paddles and events, also sailing clubs, DBS safeguarding & first aid well covered.

Current membership 45, 14 coaches (this will increase ) £25 adult membership fee will cover out goings

Meeting with James Hinves - attended by CM & JP - Points mentioned at BC meeting

We need to access and change details BC have on the club – THIS HAS BEEN DONE BY JP

grant assistance required we were promised assistance can we move forward with this. – TOLD BC WOULD ASSIST US

Coach leader awards sponsored we have had no update from this what is happening ? APPARENTLY, WE HAVE MISUNDERSTOOD WHAT WAS BEING ADVERTISED, REGARDLESS BC HAVE NOW WITHDRAWN.

We have not had as much assistance from BC as we had from jeff and rus -THIS IS BECAUSE OF STAFF CUTS THROUHGOUT BC – NOW ONLY 1 PERSON IN THIS AREA WHEN PREVIOUSLY THERE WERE 4

Members were concerned with lack of assistance for disabilities accessing coaching - NOTED

Major access issues in Essex - nothing done we now pay for crouch and chelmer – BC HAVE DONE ALL THEY CAN AND CANNOT GET ANYMORE AS CHELMER IS A PRIVATE BUSINESS WHO CAN DO WHAT THEY WANT WITH ACCESS, AND CROUCH IS ALLOWED TO CHARGE BY LAW. AS FAR AS COUNCILS PREVENTING ACCESS WITH PARKING RESTRICTIONS – BC NOT IN A POSITION TO HELP.

Additional pool session 9th April went well lots of new members

Easter Monday paddle to Maylandsea well attended with new paddlers along with touring paddlers.

July L2 training need numbers or assessment not looking like this will run??

FSRT 7th May stour Liz, Ade, Del, Johnny, Tiny, Marianne

She paddles have asked Liz cannon to attend webinar and we should do these latest BC buz. Also asked for breakdown on membership gender and age feel we may need these.

Blackwater tour went well I have spoken to mike and will follow up on concerns.

1. **Head Coach report – T**hanks to PW for organising Medway Tour
2. **Equipment report –**. All boats recorded and located, boat stickers ordered and currently in printing process
3. **IT Report CG –** Nil to add
4. **Treasures Report –** £4782.17 in account as of today, predicted expenditure of £1737 consisting of £460 Lee valley, £700 pool hire, £37 EOLA fees, £120 website, £200 BC and £100 rack hire at SCC. There has been pool income of £847, and membership income of £1100
5. **Membership report – SW –** 2 new members, and one renewal. -

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| Gary | Cumbers |
| Klavs | Henriksen |
| Dan | Cuthbert |

1. **Events report –** Blackwater tour went well with 14 attending ,it was a really good day with everyone staying and working together through the portages .We had 1 boat hire £10

We had two pool sessions this month both well attended with 39 and 26 boat hires raising a total of £424.50 collectively.

Wed night club paddles started on the 27th with 7 joining myself and Adrian 6 of which were new, with 4 hiring boats raising £40. Session went well with good feedback general paddle with coaching along the way finished around 2015hrs.

Lee Valley 15th May still short on numbers 14 attending from 30.

April events £474.50 total

1. **Tesco Site –** an email from Chelmer& Blackwater Trust indicated that they wanted to charge £1000 pa rent. AH has checked their paperwork – there will be no lease for MCC, no security of tenure, Tesco have the right of inspection and a right of entry at any time, the trust lease only refers to “boating facilities” and the premises can’t be used for anything else. AH has also noticed groups of kids hanging around on the bridge directly above where our proposed container would be sited leading to concerns re safety & security. All decided that use of this site would not be for us in these circumstances.

AH to go back to the trust telling them of our concerns and to try and get rent lowered.

All to look for alternative sites.

1. **Any Other Business – -** WhatsApp Group Friendly Paddlers Forum – RW stated that this was in effect an MCC members forum and wanted this adopted as an official MCC resource – agreed by majority vote. Following rules to be out in place – Only club members, only posts relating to paddling events and sale of paddling equipment. No jokes or inappropriate comments, RW to monitor JP to send email to all informing of above

SW to supply CM with a breakdown of gender membership details

It was suggested that a blog be written in a regular basis – was not considered necessary as would be duplication of both FB & website.

Lee Valley – CM to lead and arrange bank support & coaching etc with DC and AH. 15 booked in at present, session to be offered to other clubs.

RW has made a grant application to Bradwell but needs references – advised to approach Chris Davies and Paul Younger.

RW – all documents on website need updating with the email address of “info@maldoncanoeclub.co.uk”

Meeting ended 8.40pm

Next meeting 7th June Hurdlemakers Arms PH.