

**COMMITTEE MEETING**

**4/10/22**

1. **Attendees** CM DC AH TJ RW KM JP
2. **Apologies** SW
3. **Previous minutes agreed as correct –** Proposed by DC seconded by AH
4. **Matters outstanding** – JP to send out email to members re Colchester Canoe Club. Done DC to advertise on MCC FB Page. Done

DC to set up & review a rolling calendar for events done

Kent Canoes offer of a demo session - JP to send email done – arranged for 26.11.2022

Job Descriptions to be emailed to JP still o/s from CG KM and TJ

1. **Chairmans report** –

Club white water trip went well Bramston and Braintree also at the same venue which was nice -supported club members expanded their skills and learnt loads.

Pool session was quite good and several members improved their rolls. We followed this on Sunday with a wet training session at Mayland . Once again made welcome at the sailing club.

Sea kayak award going well - 6 on this & we have  gained a member as well as improving members skills. Also aware members supported Southend canoe clubs lee valley session - well done all.

**Treasurers report – RW -** The contact details held by SWF pool have now been updated and the outstanding fees have now been settled. We have been paying £87.80 since March 22 and the price is going up to £100, although there is potential for this to increase again in line with energy prices. We need 11.6 attendees at every session to break even. There is currently £5161.69 in the bank and we are showing a profit this year of £544.70.

RW suggested that we retain current pool session fees as they are but with the right to increase at short notice if hire prices go upon at short notice. – all agreed to be discussed at AGM.

Several Whats App groups that are discipline specific have been created to cut down on messages being posted on the Paddlers Forum site.

Discussion about 6 BATS currently in storage at SCC but not being used – all agreed to sell them for £200 each – RW to facilitate.

**Membership report – SW** One new member this month – Michael Robinson, who was voted in by all. Total of 80 members, of whom 37 are new. SW put forward her resignation as membership secretary.

**Events report – DC** The month started with Lee valley which was a great success with over 30 attending from 4 clubs, with a great turn out from MCC with 15.

On the 4th we had sea trip from Bradwell which was well attended.

9th-11th white water trip with 10 attending over the weekend in North Wales.

24th pool session with 12 attending raising £97.50.

25th Sea kayak skills from Maylandsea.

We also had a few peer paddles organised by club members, Cambridge, Two Tree Island and a Bradwell trip which is encouraging.

**Equipment report – KM –** nothing new this month

**Head Coach Report** – TJ – Thanks to CM for running the intro to sea day at Maylandsea, Saturday PM club paddles starting this Saturday with the intention of running them fortnightly across the winter.

1. **Tesco site** – AH – still awaiting updte from CM & EL re planning advice from Maldon Council.
2. **Software – SM – g**ave a presentation on software that may be suitable for MCC as a membership and events option. The option he thought was most suitable would cost $150 to set up and then 40cents per member per month (or $4.80pa) All this type of software is paid for in dollars. At todays figures and membership that would equate to £360 pa. with an additional 4% cash gateway charges (eg boat hire, membership fees etc. SM thought that the current system we use EOLA, or Paypal, may have similar options – SM to look at alternatives and at a “membership only” option. RW to supply a breakdown of where membership fees go. Both to update November meeting.
3. **AOB**

**CM –** Sarah Bond needs to be put on website as a coach.

CM modelled a suggested club polo top – all agreed logo needs to be bigger.

More blogs needed for website after organised trips**.**

There is a BCU meeting in Chelmsford on 20.0.22. all invited but attendees need to book in online first. JP to send out email to all

Extra pool sessions needed for 19/11/22, 11/2/23 and 11/3/23 – CM to book

Night paddle arranged for 5/11/22 with a 10pm HT

We need to start arranging events for next year.

Xmas paddle and meal needs on 10.12.2022 needs publicising - JP to send out email

DC - We need to publicise again the need for members to buy individual licences for Chelmer and website needs to be update taking any reference to licences being included in membership for Chelmer off CG to update website

Meeting ended 8.45pm

Next meeting 1st November 2022 at Hurdlemakers Arms