



LINLITHGOW KAYAK RACING
MINUTES of ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: LOW PORT CENTRE LINLITHGOW
17th FEBRUARY 2014

Present:

Diane Sharp, Derek Marshall, Nan Marshall, Emma Brockway, Jacqui Brockway, George Spittal, Cecile Redmond, Neil Redmond, Pete Easson, John Lewis, Karen Cadell, Finn Cadell

Apologies:

Arne Bohle, Oliver Bohle, Sean Redmond, Amy Redmond, Rhonwyn Smith, Lewis Fletcher, Terry Kowal, Matthew Kowal, Evelyn Pennycook, George Pennycook

Minutes:

The AGM minutes from 2013 were proposed by Diane Sharp and no objections were raised and the minutes were seconded by Cecile Redmond.

Chairman's Report:

A copy of the chairman's report is included as Appendix 1.

Treasurer's Report:

A copy of the treasurer's report is included as Appendix 2.

Club now has the capability to handle electronic payments.

Election of Office Bearers:

The majority of the existing committee members indicated that they were willing to stay on, either in their existing or new capacities. The club thanked withdrawing members Diane Sharp and Pete Easson for their work over the years.

<u>Position</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Proposed By</u>	<u>Seconded By</u>
Chairman	Derek Marshall	Diane Sharp	Cecile Redmond
Treasurer	Nan Marshall	Derek Marshall	Jacqui Brockway
Secretary	Cecile Redmond	Derek Marshall	Jacqui Brockway
Child Protection	Jacqui Brockway	Diane Sharp	Nan Marshall
Head Coach	John Lewis	Nam Marshall	Cecile Redmond
Ordinary Member	Arne Bohle	Diane Sharp	Pete Easson
Ordinary Member	Karen Cadell	Diane Sharp	Cecile Redmond
Ordinary Member	TBC		
Junior Representative	Emma Brockway	Pete Easson	Nan Marshall
Junior representative	Finn Cadell	Derek Marshall	Cecile Redmond

Club Fees:

No changes made to club fees for the 2014 season; introduction of electronic banking

The proposed fee structure for 2014 was proposed by Derek Marshall and seconded by Diane Sharp; no objections were raised from the members present.

AOB:

Linlithgow Community Development Trust - Kettilstoun Project:

An update was provided by Derek Marshall; there has been little new progress since October 2013. Derek indicated he was happy to remain as the club contact on this project along with Karen Cadell.

Honorary Life Members:

Nan Marshall proposed (in writing) that due to their long service to the club both Alan Fletcher and Pete Easson be granted honorary life membership status; this was agreed unanimously by the club members present.

PVG Update:

PVG forms are now due to be completed by those required to do so. Jacqui will contact those require to complete the forms and provide assistance and guidance where needed.

Appendix 1 Chairman's Report:

Linlithgow Kayak Racing
Chairman's Report to the AGM 2014

The Season 2013 was another very successful season. LKR has had representation at all of the flatwater racing events in Scotland.

In Sprinting we, LKR paddlers, came back from the Scottish Sprint Championships held at Strathclyde Park in September with 26 individual medals - 5 Gold, 14 Silver & 7 Bronze medals.

At the British Championships in Nottingham in April, LKR paddlers won a total of 23 medals – 15 Gold British Champions, 2 Sliver & 6 Bronze.

Rhonwyn & Sean were selected to paddle for Team GB with Sean going on to finish 7th in the K1 500m final at the Junior European Championships in Poland and second at the Neerpalt Regatta in Belgium. Sean is now part of the Olympic Development Programme in 2014. Amy was selected to represent Team GB at the Olympic Hopes in Czech Republic. Lewis medalled in Sobeka in Belgium, Silver in K4 1000m & Bronze 200m, during the summer.

Our own Sprint Regatta in May on the loch was a great success with 47 paddlers taking part, 16 from LKR – some of our paddlers were away paddling in Europe. 15 course records were set. The SCA's photographer was also in attendance and there is a good selection of photos that have been uploaded on to the SCA's Facebook pages.

The Scottish Sprint League is competed for by all clubs in Scotland over all 4 Sprint Regattas where points are awarded for each end every paddler who competes – this includes 8 year olds to ... well us oldies.

Skye, George, Emma, Oliver, Amy, Sean, Rhonwyn, Diane, Cecile & Derek all winning their respective leagues.

This season the Scottish Sprint League trophy was won by LKR – this is only the 2nd time in 30 odd years that it has not been in the possession of Kirkcaldy Canoe Club.

In Marathon we had 11 paddlers taking part in events throughout the season. We have representatives in 5 divisions in Scotland. This is similar to previous seasons - it's good to see some of our older club members competing in these events. We also had 4 Lightnings taking part in marathons last season.

At the Scottish Marathon Championships – Finn, Skye & George were all first in their respective divisions.

Our own Marathon took was again held in Linlithgow on the canal. We had 37 paddlers taking part with 14 from LKR.

The club took part in a number of Club events through the season.

Glasgow to Edinburgh - this challenge takes place over 2 days to cover the 56 Miles from the centre of Glasgow to the centre of Edinburgh. We had paddlers entered 4 different classes.

- In the K1 solo race Diane Sharp & Rhonwyn Smith completed the course in a time of 11hr:12 min & 10hr:04 min respectively, which is a new course record.
- K1 relay class we had 1 & 1/2 teams – James Wedlake & Derek Marshall finishing in a time of 08hr:20 min which is also a course record.
- Amy Redmond & Rachel Syme (KCC) were second in 08hr:45 mins.
- In the K1 team relay class our team came first in a time of 09hr:24 mins.

LKR also organise 2 race series throughout the season in summer on the loch & in winter on the canal.

The Summer Series - this year we were able to run all the 5 events as programmed with 28 paddlers over the series. Skye, George, Mike, Emma & Derek all won their respective classes.

The Winter Series - these take place on the canal 5 times during the winter months and we had to cancel 2 due to ICE. All of these events have been well attended and we encourage all new members to come along and give them a try.

Our head coach, Pete Easson with the assistance of WLC & the SCA, has continued to work closely with our paddlers who are members of the National Performance Squad. Pete has indicated that he will be stepping down from LKR head coach post, but will continue to be a member of the club. We & I wish to thank Pete for all of the work he has done for the club over the many years.

Rhonwyn Smith has been working with the SCA based here in Linlithgow and has been a major asset by assisting with Lightning sessions and has continued to take the Monday night winter Gym Sessions with the assistance of Amy, Emma & Sean.

I would also, again, like to thank Rona for taking the winter swimming sessions at the Academy on Thursday nights.

Both of these sessions are aimed at the lightning age group paddlers and will stand them in good stead for the start of the season.

6 of our SCA squad paddlers & 2 coaches have again attended a winter training camp in Slovakia which gave them the opportunity to train hard (up to 4 sessions per DAY) cross country skiing with other paddlers from Scotland and the Komarno club in Slovakia. Some of these paddlers are currently on a warm weather training camp in Portugal with the SCA, preparing them for the start of the racing season.

Finally looking forward we are looking to increase our attendance at the Club Sprint Championships in July at Nottingham.

Diane, who is our club secretary, has also indicated that she will be stepping down from this post due to work commitments. Diane will remain a member and will coach with the club. Diane has held this post for around the last 5 years and I, on behalf of LKR, would like to thank her for all of the hours she has put in for LKR – Thank You.

Again I would like to thank all my fellow committee members and coaches for their assistance over the last year, especially to Nan for her work and support, and last but not least I would like to thank our Mr Fix It – Neil Redmond who has continued to work away in the background, refurbishing and repairing equipment.

Appendix 2 Accounts:

Linlithgow Kayak Racing Accounts

01/02/13 - 31/01/14



		2013-14		2012-13	
Income	Membership Fees	£685.00		£590.00	
	Training Fees	£1,442.00		£1,172.00	
	Gym & Swim 2011				£124.40
	Gym & Swim 2012		£140.50	£281.20	
	Gym & Swim 2013	£42.35			
	Membership & Training		£2,028.85		£1,918.80
	Regatta	£107.00		£147.00	
	Ratho/Linlithgow Marathon	£85.00		£134.00	
	Summer Series	£132.50		£161.50	
	Winter Series	£24.00		£64.00	
	Prizes		£74.99		£66.55
	Events		£273.51		£439.95
	Boat Hire	£360.00		£190.00	
	Gift Received	£20.00			
Total Income		£2,682.36		£2,548.75	

Expenses			
Affiliation Fees	SCA	£50.00	£50.00
Equipment	Sale		£950.00
Equipment	Buy	£375.00	£2,197.00
Equipment Hire Low Port			
Equipment Repair			
Progress Cards			£30.00
First Aid Kit			£5.99
Hall Hire			
Meetings	Room Hire	£17.76	£8.40
Stationery			£2.45
Power Boat Course			£229.50
			£405.00
Boat Storage Locker	Build		£8,549.97
	Key Deposits		£70.00
	Insurance	£501.43	£473.50
	Fees	£389.00	£295.00
	Car Repair		£85.00
Total Expenditure		£555.19	£10,262.81
Overall income for year		£2,127.17	-£7,714.06

Current Financial Balances

Bank Account	£6,595.91
Cash	£208.02
	<u>£6,803.93</u>