



LINLITHGOW KAYAK RACING
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: LOWPORT CENTRE LINLITHGOW
27th FEBRUARY 2017 19.30

Present:

Derek Marshall, Nan Marshall, Jack Brockway, Jacqui Brockway, Emma Brockway, Pamela Armstrong, Patrick Armstrong, Jen Russel, Neil Fraser, Neil Redmond, John Lewis, Sean Redmond, Piers de Salis, Michal Sroka, Kacper Sroka, Donald Gardner, Sandra Pirie, Simon Dean, Terry Kowal, Chris Wynne, Judith Gray, Karen Cadell

Apologises:

Diane Sharp, Pete Easson, Lizelle Kemp, Kevin Locke, Cecile Redmond, Arnie Bohle, Rona Jenson, Amy Redmond, Matthew Kowal

Minutes

The AGM minutes from 2016 were proposed by Terry Kowal and seconded by Neil Redmond.

Chairman's Report

A copy of the Chairman's Report is included in Appendix 1.

Treasurer's Report

A copy of the Treasurer's Report is included in Appendix 2.

Election of Office Bearers:

These remain the same except Chris Wynne has become the website master from Arne Bohle and Cecile Redmond has resigned as Ordinary Member to be replaced by Chris Wynne. Finn Cadell is replaced by Kacper Sroka as Junior Representative.

Position	Member	Proposed by	Seconded by
Chairman	Derek Marshall	J Brockway	D Gardner
Secretary	Patrick Armstrong	N Redmond	T Kowal
Treasurer	Nan Marshall	D Marshall	P de Salis
Head Coach	John Lewis	P Armstrong	T Kowal
Child Protection	Jacqui Brockway	D Gardner	P Armstrong
Membership Secretary	N Marshall	J Brockway	J Russel
Website Coordinator	Chris Wynne	D Marshall	P Armstrong
Ordinary Member	Chris Wynne	N Marshall	D Marshall
Ordinary Member	Judith Gray	P de Salis	P Armstrong
Ordinary Member	Karen Cadell	T Kowal	N Redmond
Junior Representative	Emma Brockway	D Marshall	P armstrong
Junior Representative	Kacper Sroka	N Marshall	J Brockway

Club Fees:

No Proposed changes to membership fees for 2017. All supported this proposal.

AOB

Child Protection. All Coaches are fully covered.

LKR Kit. Please wear the kit at competitions. This can now be ordered on the web (see LKR website for details) but potentially a bulk order could be agreed.

There was a discussion about the U14/U16 training for the 2017 season as the SCA are not accepting any of the young paddlers into the Performance Squad. A general conversation was had concerning the coaching arrangements and sessions needed. A small working group was set up (Derek Marshall, Michal Sroka, J Borckway, Pamela Armstrong, John Lewis) to assess and come up with recommendations. Members to be kept informed by email.

Closing Remarks

A thanks to Derek and Nan was proposed by P de Salis.

Appendix 1

Linlithgow Kayak Racing
Chairman's Report to the AGM 2017

The Season 2016 was another very successful season. LKR has had with representation at nearly all of the flatwater racing events in Scotland.

In **Sprinting** the Scottish Sprint Championships were held at Strathclyde Park in mid-September & LKR came back with 37 individual Medals - 7 Gold, 15 Silver & 15 Bronze medals.

At the Nottingham regattas we had a total of 8 promotions over the season

The British Championships in Nottingham were spread over 3 regattas and the first up in June was the Seniors & U23's. Lewis Fletcher won the Silver medal in the U23 200m final & Gold in the K2 200m. Sean Redmond won Silver in the K2 500m & Bronze in the K2 1000m.

The junior GB Championships were held in July and in total LKR paddlers won a total 10 medals – 4 Bronze, 3 Silver & 3 Gold - so we have 3 British Champions.

We had 2 paddlers competing for GB last season:

- Lewis Fletcher at Senior level in 2 regattas (Moscow & Bulgaria?).
- Emma Brockway in 3 regattas at Europeans, Piastany & Olympic Hopes regatta

Our own Sprint Regatta in May on the loch was a great success with 70 paddlers taking part, 21 from LKR.

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

Hannah, Findlay, Alexandra, George, Emma, Sean, Jason, Cecile & Derek all winning their respective leagues.

Again this season the Scottish Sprint League trophy was retained by LKR – this is only the 4th time in 35 odd years that it has not been in the possession of Kirkcaldy Canoe Club & the 3rd time in a row.

In **Marathon** our numbers taking part have held steady this season and it is Scottish great to see our Lightnings paddlers taking up the challenge against the other clubs.

We had Finn, Derek, John, Findlay & Hannah winning their respective Marathon Ranking list with Alexandra winning the overall Scottish “Most Improved Paddler” trophy

Once again we were unable to get our hands on the Scottish Marathon Club Trophy which was won by Kirkcaldy CC again - more bums on seats required please.

At the Scottish Marathon Championships we won:

- K1 Marathon – 5 Gold
- K2 Marathon – 3 Gold, 1 Silver & 1 Bronze
- K1 – 10km Championships – 7 Gold & 2 Silver
- K2 – 10km Championships – 3 Gold, 1 Silver & 1 Bronze

Our own Marathon took was again held in Linlithgow on the canal. We had 67 Paddlers taking part with 25 from LKR which was a great opening to the season.

This event which is suitable for ALL paddlers including Lightnings will take place on 23rd April on the canal with distances for all abilities and all are welcome to compete & Alan will be looking for volunteers in due course.

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

Scottish Racing Week

This is a series of 5 races that take place over 8 days and we have the following category winner:

Simon Dean - Short Course with Matthew & Jack just behind,
Eduardo Fernandez – Mini Course
Findlay Lewis - U12 Lightnings
Hannah Toovey - U8 Lightnings for the 3rd year running.

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 5 different classes

In the K1 solo race Sean Redmond was first completed the course together in a time of 7hr:38 min.

K1 relay Class we had 1/3rd of a team – Jack Brockway (+Elliot Leishman, FCC & Robert Kerr (SRK) finishing in a time of 08hr:8min.

K2 Non-stop “The Ladies who Launch” (Cecile Redmond & Lorna Toovey) in

10hr:40mins. As well as Emma Dunlop & Ione Russell in 11hr:07mins

And finally we entered a K2 Team Relay where we had 2 boats & 10 paddlers – an adult paddling with a lightning paddler.

This was great fun for both the paddlers & the support crews (5 cars chasing the boat across central Scotland for 2 days) Our time was 8hr:56mins beating KCC to get the John Kinninmonth Memorial Trophy

Devizes to Westminster

This is a 125 mile race that takes place every Easter where you have to portage with your boat 77 times.

Last year Diane Sharp took part with Michael Yeomans (KCC) in a K2 it is non-stop race. They completed the course in 23hr:43mins. which is a fantastic achievement having completed many months of training on lumpy water in the dark.

This year we believe that Emma Dunlop & Ione Russell will be having their 3rd attempt at this race & that Diane will be entering the 4 day K1 event.

Hasler Finals & GB Champs

These are the GB Club championships & the GB Marathon Championships are held, separately, at one of the bigger clubs down south.

John & Findlay have represented LKR at both events for the last 2 years & we are keen to get a bigger representation at these events this coming season.

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

The Summer Series

Last year we were able to run all the 5 events as programmed with 45 paddlers taking part over the series with Lizelle Kemp, Mike Brockway, Judit Haragozo, Corran Fraser & Hannah Toovey all winning 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. & having to relocate due to the lack of water in the canal. We have 1 more event to come on Sunday 12th March.

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, John Lewis, with the assistance of Low Port been working hard at getting more paddlers on the water & this included parents.

Monday night winter Gym Sessions have, in the main been taken by John with the assistance of Oliver. The Thursday night's Games/Gym sessions have also been run by John.

The winter swimming sessions at the Academy on Wednesday nights have been taken by Derek with the assistance of parents and I like to thank Rona for providing cover when required.

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

Our SCA squad paddlers, who make up over 40% of the squad, continue to train at Ratho and already this year (2017 have been in Slovakia XC skiing & Portugal for warm weather paddling).

In November we invested in & took delivery of 2 brand new Vajda Minisonic kayaks which are aimed at the older Lightning paddlers as a transition boat between the Lightnings and a full size K1s.

We also invested in Lawler Slider to go along with the 3 paddling machines for winter training which are used by both Juniors & Adults.

Arnie Bohle has stood down from looking after our website, and we thank him for his efforts, and we are pleased to welcome Chris Wynne who has volunteered to take on this role for the club.

Cecile has indicated she will be stepping down from the committee this year & again we thank her for her service to the club over many years.

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 - if a boat gets damaged please let us know so we can fix it.

This year our locker at the basin, where we keel boats and paddles, will require what is termed "First Maintenance" – that is the exterior of the shed will require re-painting. We will be looking for some assistance for this task during the dryer weather.

Appendix 2

Linlithgow Kayak Racing Accounts

01/02/16 - 31/01/17



		2016-17	2015-16
Income			
	Membership Fees	£760.00	£690.00
	Training Fees	£1,774.00	£1,539.00
	Winter Training 2014		£149.99
	Winter Training 2015	£71.25	£258.75
	Winter Training 2016	£569.55	
Membership & Training		£3,092.30	£2,637.68
	Regatta	£288.00	£208.50
	Ratho/Linlithgow Marathon	£243.00	£216.00
	Summer Series	£356.00	£387.00
	Winter Series	£63.00	£208.00
	Prizes	£106.25	£80.98
	Low Port	£110.00	£150.00
Events		£733.75	£778.52
	Boat Hire	£300.00	£470.00
	Commission for SCA Enrolment	£21.00	£66.00
	Gift Received	£25.00	£200.00
	WLC Club Accreditation		£4,000.00
	Grant from WLC		
Total Income		£4,112.05	£8,152.20
Expenses			
Affiliation Fees	SCA	£90.00	£80.00
LUCS Toilets		£25.00	
Use of Low Port Equipment		£100.00	£100.00
Equipment		£7,085.31	£783.87
Repairs			£86.00
Kit (Clothing)		£1.50	
Nottingham Late Entry		£44.50	
Prizegiving		£73.05	£59.45
Engraving		£20.00	
Website		£32.63	£35.86
Meetings	Room Hire	£16.60	
		£7,308.59	£1,145.18
Boat Storage Locker	Key Deposits		
	Insurance	£539.00	£498.50
	Boat Storage Fees	£45.00	
		£494.00	£498.50
Total Expenditure		£8,002.59	£1,643.68
Overall income for year		£-3,890.54	£6,508.52

Current Financial Balances

Bank Account	£6,579.96
Cash	£25.41
	<u>£6,605.37</u>