



**Eskmuthe Community Rowing Club
Committee Meeting
Monday, January 11, 2021, 8pm on Zoom**

1. Welcome and apologies
2. Minutes of previous meeting
3. Actions Update
4. Correspondence
5. Club report/Covid-19 response and planning
6. Treasurer's Report plus update on Gift Aid
7. Boatshed
8. Boat repairs
9. AOB
10. DONM

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

In attendance: Gaynor Allen (Chair), David Lee, Pauline Crerar, Stewart Page, Kari-Ann Johnston, Felicity Cameron, Jude Durnan (Minutes)

Apologies for Absence: Georgina Brown

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Approved: David Seconded: Stewart

3. Actions Update

All actions are covered in the minutes.

4. Correspondence

All the merchandise has been delivered to Rebecca and this will be delivered to people over the next week or so.

5. Club Reports

Rowing Report November – January 2021

We have started 2021 very much as we spent most of 2020 - not rowing.

It looks like it will be a while before we can start rowing again, but fingers crossed it won't be too long.

In the meantime, we'll try to keep active on social media, continue row-fitting on Zoom twice a week (which somehow seems harder inside than out) and get another online social event organised before too long. We have also distributed the calendars, which are full of terrific memories. Thanks to Pauline for her great work.

We're also going to check in with all those people who want to go out for a row, but haven't had a chance yet - to let them know what's happening and ensure they know we're not ignoring them.

We have got one new member, Nic Turnbull's partner Craig Scotland, who has rowed a few times and always intended to join - but has only just got round to it. He is Head Brewer at Stewart Brewing, but that had nothing at all to do with him being accepted!

Online event – ideas for a games night, online 'Boatle' drive, card games, murder mystery?

Posted on social media – Steddie fell off the stand in the wind today, but there was no damage.

6. Treasurer's Report

Currently £10k in the bank account. The Christmas fund raiser made £350. Calendars sold well and there are still 15 left.

2 padlocks, a wheel lock and more of the smarties material for seat covers has been purchased, so person in Longniddry who makes them can make some more.

Give as you earn scheme – Pauline and Dave Clark have donated. Dave donated another £10 and their work also gives £10. Pauline will keep a tracker of these and what they will be used for.

A lot of the money that's in the account at the moment is for the boatshed. We won't normally accumulate this amount of money.

Gift Aid

Aimee, Andy and Wendy have been looking at this with Pauline. We can't claim for events that have already happened because entrance fees are not classed as donations and our auction prizes have not been advertised with a value attached. If we do charity auctions items have to have a price/value regardless of how much they are auctioned for, so when you bid for an item you should know how much it's worth – can only claim this price as Gift Aid.

Have to consider what we could claim for in the future to make it worthwhile – it has to be a charity donation rather than an entry fee or membership costs for example.

7. Boatshed

Boatshed

The good news is that the lease has now been agreed by both ELC lawyers and ERC lawyers, so we should be able to apply for common good funding on February 2.

I have contacted Chris our architect to get an update on the fire report and have not heard back yet. This seems to be the only thing holding up the building warrant.

8. Boat Repairs

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We have now cleared the boat, tools and most of our stuff out of PG. There are still some things there that will be collected over the next couple of weeks. Thanks to Graham, Pauline and Amie (who cleaned up after the boat was taken out), Gaynor and David (who brought Steedie back. Graham and Gaynor have the tools and Graham will continue to do things for the boat from his attic). We now need a boatshed!!

9. AOB

10. DONM

Monday 15th February 2021 7:30 ZOOM