

Eskmuthe Community Rowing Club Committee Meeting Monday 9 March 2020, 7pm Fisherrow Yacht Club Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

In attendance: Gaynor Allen (Chair), David Lee, Katie Swann (Minutes), Georgina Brown

Apologies for Absence: Pauline Crerar, Sharon McFeely, Stewart Page

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Approved: David Seconded: Gaynor

3. Action Update

N/A

4. Correspondence

N/A

5. Boatshed

Gordon Eadie, Structural Engineer is making up plans for Building Control. He'll need to dig in 4 places at the site with either a drill or digger to check for foundations and there will be costs for this. Gaynor will contact Chris Bonnar, who has been recommended by Gordon to draw up the plans using Durisol.

6. Club Report (David)

Although rowing over the last month has continued to be affected by high winds, we have done our best to get out whenever it has been safe to do so.

We had our first full weekend for a while on March 7/8th with nine sessions, including a bonus row on Friday 6th, which spawned a new term - boxing, which means coxing from the bow seat because there are only 4 people in the boat. This is not recommended when other craft are at sea.

We have managed to mix social sessions with training and integrated new rowers well. 2 folk have both joined and one is about to join too. Jenni Fairnie, who was a club stalwart back in the day, has re-joined, so welcome back to her. Eoin has stepped up onto the coxes' rota enthusiastically and has already delivered several "rowin' with Eoin" sessions.

Despite the tough conditions, we have started to manage a few good training sessions ahead of the regatta season. We'll start scheduling more training ahead of the first regatta, which we thought would be on April 25th at Boatie Blest - but is now on May 9th and clashes with the planned trip to Loch Lomond. We're asking everyone who has signed up for Loch Lomond what their preference is and will then make a decision - providing we have someone to tow the boat if enough people still want to go to Loch Lomond.

7. Treasurer's Report

See the website.

8. FHSA/FWG Update

There was a request from the group to get more information regularly circulated from FHSA to all the member groups.

ACTION: Katie to feed this back to FHSA

9. Boat repairs (Gaynor)

Everything is progressing well with the boats. Honesty is back on the water and Steedie is at PG. Katie suggested organising a 'disco' night to get more people down and have a bit of fun. Numbers have tailed off a bit, but a lot of that is down to cancelling sessions and people being out of the habit of going.

Action - Gaynor to speak to Graham about jobs to be done at PG and when it is best to get more people down. **10. AOB**

• David has been contacted by a journalist who is writing an article on coastal rowing so will be contributing to that.

11. DONM 13 April 2020 7pm