Minutes of HKC Committee Meeting

3rd February 2025

Present: Dave, Kay, Tony, Andrew, Mark, John, Sue, Rob

Apologies: Theo

Minutes read and agreed

Matters arising:

Water Flood Action Plan: Dave suggested we should regularly take boats out at the beginning of winter to make it easier to move boats up as necessary. Tony - we do this(Tony has 4 boats at home, although has brought one back, Sharon has one + Dave some) Tony reckoned about 4 boats out. This gives us just enough room to get rest of boats above bottom 2 racks. Still need people to remove their own boats when flood warning in place if this is feasible. Will put note on website and members can make own decision re this. Andrew – big thing is communication as flooding now a possibility all year round.

Need to look at if there are some boats we can get rid of. Boats will be looked at as weather improves. Make Whatsapp Committee group point of contact re sharing info re flood risk.

Arvydas has offered to store boats in his back garden if necessary. Decided no formal plan needed

Club boat storage racks.

Re first rack in some gaps too small to use easily. Tony- probably easier for old rack to be removed and new one put in. Dave to sketch some plans as to what is needed and take some photos. Rob and John know some welders so will get quotes based on plans. Kay- need to make sure constructed from correct material – scaffolding type with hole through.

First Aid reassessment

Kay has been in touch with Nick – he is not sure if he can still deliver it. Has given Kay the name of someone to contact. This will be at commercial rates. Nick , for some years, has done it at cost price. John and Rob already have qualification through work, just need to put it on BC site. If paying per participant will only put forward coaches for this.

Incident Reports

There have been none since last meeting.

However Mark Burgoyne reported seeing digging of bank at Belmont. Dave has passed this on to fishermen and he was thanked for reporting it.

Financial Report

Kay shared year ending Dec 2024 report. Rowing club fees of £8224.80 paid for this year. First time we have been charged full amount since Covid shutdown.

Kay said we need to discuss fees as now deficit between RC fees and membership. Discussion held and unanimous decision that at AGM we would propose membership increasing by £5 and boat storage also increasing by £5. We are trying to sustain at least 2 years RC fees in our acct.

AOB

Need to book date for AGM. While in meeting 2 dates put forward to Paul and April 30th agreed.

Prizes for Wye race. We have enough prizes for 2nd and 3rd place. We will look at printing glasses for 1st place. John to look into. Date of race is 15th June.

Andrew – slots available for courses in safety for event organisers and safety officers. Committee members asked to look at this – particularly Andrew, Rob, John and Dave.

Next meeting 3rd March at 7.15

Meeting closed 8pm