

Minutes of Tyne Valley Canoe Club AGM

Date: 23/5/23 - Tyne Riverside

Present: Rachel Hudspith, Keith Park, Stephen Eglon, Paul Newman, Jo Cook, Patricia Ford, Tony Ford, Lorraine Hodgeson, Margaret Perry, Mark Tudball, Rob Kenmir, Joe Kenmir, Daithi Graydon, Alex Beacock, Les Johnson, Peter Gibson, Peter Fail

Apologies: Jayne Caldwell, Justin McGuirk, Christian Hughes, Alistair Robinson (thanks to all involved for the pool sessions.), Andrew Hamilton, Shaun Atherton, Wayne Penrose, Bethan Davies, Avril Strafford, James (Hamish) Gibson, Oleg Shumikhin, John Dean, Will Mac,

Minutes by: S J Eglon

Point	notes	action
1 Receipt of reports from club officers	<p>RH thanked members for attendance one of the best for a long time and the format of the meeting. Chair Treasurer & Secretary attached below</p> <p>1st aid AB expressed interest in partaking RH reinforced always better to have more on water we will look at possibility of funding.</p> <p>Discussion of SPOND and need to include process on Website REQUEST - payment of system</p>	
2 Committee Members	<p>Chairperson: Rachel Hudspith Expires 2025 from 2022</p> <p>Vice Chair: Keith Park</p> <p>Secretary: Stephen Eglon Expires 2025</p> <p>Treasurer: Paul Newman remains in post Expires 2025</p> <p>Welfare Officer: Joanna Cook</p> <p>Membership Secretary: co-opted to secretary Alex B to deputy</p> <p>Coaching Officer: Rachel Hudspith</p> <p>Events Safety Officer: Rachel Hudspith</p> <p>Social Organiser: Patricia Ford wishing to step down Alex B to step up up Daithi prop 2nd Les</p> <p>Communications Officer: co-opted to secretary / vice chair</p> <p>Volunteer Coordinator: Gail Mclver - AB will help out as required</p> <p>Equipment Coordinator: Alex B to help with Tony Ford</p> <p>Diversity Officer: amalgamated with CWO</p>	

	General committee - Margaret Perry expressed interest	
3 Objectives for 2023/24	<p>Following on from 22/23: Continue to encourage safe participation in paddlesports of both current and future members.</p> <p>Make improvements to facilities at Tyne Riverside Park.</p> <p>Encourage greater participation by developing provisions and increasing membership.</p> <p>It is hoped that we will complete formal development plan in the 23/24 year</p>	
AOB	<p>Maintenance reporting system needed SE to produce an online form which will inform relevant committee members</p> <p>un-coached session on SPOND there will be criteria stated for those that can attend club sessions and be on the water without a coach</p> <p>Alex B- citizen science Tyne river trust management of RTyne</p> <p>Alex B - will volunteer as part of TRT, request if any others</p> <p>Richard atkinson</p>	

TVCC Chair / Coaching Officer

A BIG Thank You to those Coaches and Leaders who supported sessions throughout last Summer. Pool Sessions have been highly successful especially after Christmas. Thanks again to coaches who gave their time to support paddlers. We saw some huge improvements with people developing their self-rescue skills, boat rescues and of course surfing.

River Sessions on Friday nights were well supported with lots of activities including Slalom sessions SUP, Sea Kayak as well as kayak and canoe coached sessions.

Visibility on Facebook has increased through regular posts either about trips and activities or pool sessions.

Membership is healthy although some members have not been very active.

Events

River clean-up 11th June 22 great attendance following on from the one on the 2nd April. The Next event has been scheduled for 11th June 23.

Prudhoe Youth Project Pool Session 16th Dec 22

2022 Tyne Tour Paul ran a South Tyne trip on Saturday and myself and Paul offered safety support on the Sunday. The club received a small grant.

Sea Trips 2022/23

Camping trip to Skye Sea Kayaking 6 Days April

Cullercoats to St Mary's Sea Trip x3

Farne Islands Sea Trip
Boulmer to Low Newton Sea Trip
Roker to South Shields Sea Trip
Coquet Island and Warkworth Castle RH
Tidal River Wear & South Shields to Scotswood
Lake District Ullswater Camping Weekend and Social Come & Try a Sea Kayak
Canoe Trip /Weekend Loch Tay SE
Warden Gorge Park & Play x3 PN
South Tyne Trip x 5 RH & JD SE MP
Tyne Tour Paddle PN
X3 trips to the River Eden RH & PN
Grade 2 Paddle Tees x2 PN
X3 Bywell to Prudhoe RH Prudhoe to Wylam PM Some of these were Friday club sessions.
Loch Tay Canoe Camping weekend 2nd July SE RH

Social Events –

- End of Summer BBQ Well attended
- Come & Try It Open Day during Music in the Park Event 16th July
- Christmas Meal December at Café at No 22 Front Street
- End of Pool Session Curry at the Aramee March 23

Members Coach/Leader Development

FSRT 21st May x4 members

4x members successful with WW Kayak Awards

Gail has completed Sea Kayak Leader training and Paddlesport Touring Leader Training

TVCC has supported Gail with an endorsement to operate above her remit to lead

Brian Nardia and Gail completed Sheltered Water Coach Awards

Pool Sessions Well attended, especially after Christmas. Some great development happened with self and group rescue skills practiced, surfing the waves and some excellent Freestyle Demos by some of our Playboaters.

Rachel H has attended Paddlesport Safety Award Provider training so can continue to deliver Safety Award.

Many coaches and Leaders will be renewing First Aid Qualifications later in the year.

Encourage members to request coaches to assess them for awards for their own personal development

Promote British Canoeing and benefits of membership.

Equipment

Club purchased x4 SUPs Waist release bands, sea kayak paddles and spraydecks.

Plans for 2023/24

Boat House development

- Solicitor has now been sourced and Land Registration will now be done imminently.
- Next stage will be to seek plans and drawings for new boat shed, apply for planning permission, then seek tenders.

Continue to raise profile of club through social media and by offering another taster day and community-based events.

Equipment

Sell off some of the kayaks not used. i.e., Perception Sundance Tourer and Prijon Invader (blue kayak)

Sell the PH Capella and replace with a better handling sea kayak Sirona or Gemini

Purchase more spraydecks for Pool and river use.

Purchase another set of trolley wheels for canoes/sea kayaks.

Tidy Boat stores and maintenance of surrounding area.

Concerns.

Quality Mark

We are not getting very far on with completing the standards expected of us to qualify. Do we pursue this or adopt just the criteria that are essential?

- We need to attract or develop more coaches and leaders to share their experience and support the club.
- Committee needs more support to spread the workload.
- Safety on the river is a concern therefore all club members should be mindful of this over the coming summer.
- Pool boats and club boats are in need of a good maintenance session to bring up to specification.

Secretaries report:

Many thanks to the continued commitment of committee members and members that have given their time to the club and it's members over the past year. As a voluntary organisation Tyne Valley Canoe Club would not be able to function without their support.

Congratulations to all members on their own personal achievements throughout the year, I am sure the club will benefit greatly from their efforts. We would like to remind members wishing to develop their skills for the benefit of other club members that bursaries can still be applied for via British Canoeing directly. If anyone is interested, please discuss with Rachel as chair / coaching officer or Stephen as the club secretary

The new system for membership and booking of club activities came online during the past year and has helped greatly in the administration of both aspects of the club.

Currently we have 54 full members vs 40 renewals this time last year.

Coaches and leaders are encouraged to generate the activities they run and to register participants. This appears to be working well and has helped to boost pool attendance over previous years.

There has been 25 pool sessions with an average attendance of 13.25

There has also been a wide range of activities and trips over the past year ranging from the usual local river systems to new rivers, lakes, lochs and coastal trips. There has also been a notable increase in the social aspect of the club and multi day offerings. Many thanks should be given to all those volunteers, coaches and leaders to help these activities take place. Special mention must be given to

Rachel, Paul and Daithi for their commitment to club sessions throughout the year.

Members have benefitted from the updating of facilities this year and maintenance to kit, something that is often forgotten about but without this we would not be able to safely run our sessions. Not to mention our new selection of SUPs.

Hopefully we can build on this successful year with plans to further update our facilities and provision.

Treasurers report:

Please find attached the accounts for the year just ended 31 March 2023.

Overall we had a very good year:-

- Cash in the Bank at year end of £13,383 (up £2,123 from £11,260 at the end of last year)
- Made a surplus for the year of £3,173, up £500 on last year
- Membership income was slightly down (-£210)
- Made a profit on the pool sessions of £713 (up from £347 last year) thanks to the very strong attendance, especially in the period after Christmas (I included Pool Fee income not yet received from Spond as we have paid all pool invoices)
- Invested £2,324 in new equipment (4 SUPS, 5 Sea Kayak paddles, new spraydecks and back bands for kayaks)
- Paid for by sale of old equipment for £2,670 thanks to Rachel
- Earned £160 from the Tyne Tour by supporting the end of day sweeps
- I wrote off the cash float of £20 that we had in the accounts last year

See you all next week,

Paul

Income & Expenditure Summary	2022/23	2021/22	Variance
Membership Income	1,686	1,897	(210)
Prudhoe Town council Grant	1,000	1,500	(500)
Pool Sessions (Income less expenditure)	713	347	366
Equipment Hire	528	475	53
Tyne Tour Support Income	162	0	162
Equipment Sales	2,670	1,140	1,530
Equipment Purchases	(2,324)	0	(2,324)
Site Lease / Development / Maintenance	(121)	(1,105)	984
Coaching Spend less Regional subsidies	(30)	(380)	350
Insurance	(882)	(836)	(46)
BCU Fees	(211)	(202)	(8)
Website		(101)	101
Other - Bank Interest less write-off Cash Float	(19)	(62)	44
Net Profit for the Year	<u>3,173</u>	<u>2,672</u>	<u>501</u>

Tyne Valley Canoe Club Accounts 2022/23

	2022/2023	2021/2022	Variance
Income			
Weekend and Other Hire	527.96	474.50	53.46
Membership	1,144.86	1,220.00	(75.14)
Membership Prepaid Prior Year	488.00	442.61	45.39
Temp Membership	53.33	234.00	(180.67)
Pool Sessions	2,658.00	2,072.00	586.00
Clothing	0.00	0.00	0.00
Grants	1,000.00	1,500.00	(500.00)
Coaching Subsidies	0.00	210.00	(210.00)
Competitions	161.90	0.00	161.90
Equipment Sales	2,670.00	1,140.00	1,530.00
Other	1.36	1.39	(0.03)
Square Fees	0.00	(63.83)	63.83
Total Income	8,705.41	7,230.67	1,474.74
	(0.00)		(0.00)
Expenditure			
BCU Membership	(210.60)	(202.40)	(8.20)
Insurance	(882.39)	(836.22)	(46.17)
Pool Hire	(1,945.00)	(1,725.00)	(220.00)
Coaching Subsidies	(30.00)	(590.00)	560.00
Clothing	0.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment	(2,323.77)	0.00	(2,323.77)
Website	0.00	(100.70)	100.70
Committee Meetings	0.00	0.00	0.00
Competitions	0.00	0.00	0.00
Facilities / Maintenance	(120.86)	(1,104.77)	983.91
Other	(20.00)	0.00	(20.00)
Total Expenditure	(5,532.62)	(4,559.09)	(973.53)
	(0.00)		0.00
Surplus of Income over Expenditure	3,172.79	2,671.58	501.21
			(0.00)

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Balance Sheet

Accumulated Fund Brought Forward	10,766.38	8,094.80
Surplus for the Year	3,172.79	2,671.58
Accumulated Fund Carried Forward	13,939.17	10,766.38
Current Account Balance at 4/1/2023	12763.48	10641.83
Desposit Account Balance at 3/11/2023	619.69	618.33
Cash Float (estimated)		20.00
Pool Session Income not Received from Spond	576.00	(488.00)
Amounts Owed To Rachel & Gail for Training Courses	(20.00)	(25.78)
Total Net Assets	13,939.17	10,766.38
	(0.00)	(0.00)

Current Account Balance at 02/04/22
Desposit Account .
Cash Float
Prepaid Subscriptions ('22-'23)
Prepaid subscriptions ('21-22)
Owed to Tony ford for Container Maintenance