

# ABOYNE CANOE CLUB

## Minutes

The Boat Inn, Monday 29 August 2016, 8-10pm 2016

**Present:** Chris Redmond (Chairman), Jonathan Kitching, Katie Davies (Membership Secretary), Alan Telford, Dale Kitching, Christina Cardy (Secretary)

1. **Apologise for Absence:** Mark Mitchell, Amelia Cardy, Lorraine Hawkins (Treasurer)
2. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** 20 June 2016 passed.
3. **ACC: participation at events:**
  - Washout Event: turnout wet but people attended.
  - DofE: basic skills training at Queens loch for 23 participants (2 silver + 1 gold group) by Coaches: Trevor & Amelia.
  - Victoria Week @ Ballater: duck herding. Event covered by the P&J and well supported by the club and public. Possibility of a donation to ACC tbc.
  - Active Schools: Chris.R, Amelia & Mark. Mixed age group of Primary/Secondary participants. 13 in the morning and 8 in the afternoon.
  - Scouts proposed 12 Sept: Scouts were not able to book a pool session and evenings are too dark for river paddle. Will arrange it next season.
  - Tri-Athlon at Knockburn Lock: Graham, Neil & Maria attending.
4. **Indoor Pool Sessions:** Last season 2015/16 averaged 10 participants / session. Sessions start **Thur 29 September**. Chris will let members know by e-mail mid September. **CR**  
6:30 – kayak skills      7:30 – water polo
5. **River Session: Health and Safety** moment 11 Aug: Chris and Trevor were shadowing a new member who said they had kayak competence to use a spray deck but got into difficulty and Chris had to use '*hand of god*' rescue. All Ok. In future persons will be required to show they can eject from a kayak before being allowed to use a spray deck on the river. **All coaches**
6. **'I am Team GB' Join in Event. Sunday 28 Aug:** CR has asked Organisers to make sure they have a system in place to notify us of numbers booked next time to avoid overbooking again. **CR**  
Too many came to ACC event. Luckily river was very low. No spray decks were used.
7. **Face book:** The "closed group" has the same name as the public group. Chris will change one **CR** to make it less confusing.
8. **Rotary Club:** Chris gave a talk to the club, including info on Shed. It was well receive.
9. **DofE silent auction:** Special thank you from DofE to CR for taking the highest bidders for a memorable river trip.
10. **Shed:**  
Cash back: waiting to hear  
Marr Area: No to £10k. We need to have matched funding to apply.  
CR applying for £4k grant to pay for structural engineering drawings. We put out to 3 companies, one declined, Ramsay = £1850, winner was £1800. **CR**
11. **ACC Membership:** now 170 members.  
94 adults, 76 child, 21 new DofE. Need adult for U18 so DofE parents must be included. **CR**  
48 new since July 2016.  
CR to tell Roger @ SCA and hopefully we can maintain Focus Group status for 2017

12. **Treasurer's Report:** £2663.08 in account. £2345.25 to claim from Leader for new Kit Graham arranged. CR
13. **PVG:** Graham Keates Dale
14. **River Programme Plan** for 2017: Proposed date to meet 19 Sept. (*Trevor away that week in Pyrenees with Amelia*) CR / JK TC
15. **Health and Safety:** Adventure Scotland have advised 1:12 ratio, CR is happy with less @ 1:8 ratio.
16. **New Equipment:** Buoyancy Aids, kayaks etc arrived just waiting for paddles now. £500 left. All at the meeting agreed to use it to buy another SUP board. all
- SUP qualification: CR & TC to do module TC & CR
17. **SUP sponsorship:** Amelia Cardy raised sponsorship & grants. So far £875 used to buy 2 SUP boards + another to come. Now short £400 for 4<sup>th</sup> SUP. Amelia to apply to Aberdeenshire Council again for max grant for 4<sup>th</sup> SUP. Amelia Cardy
18. **Canoe Trailer:** Miles may donate his canoe trailer to ACC. CR to ask. CR  
If it's donated we need to check insurance and also make sure it meets Aberdeenshire Council's standards if it's to be used to transport school bikes.
19. **Insurance expires 14 Oct.** Mark & Tom to do inventory. CR to e-mail them asking. CR  
Mark / Tom
20. **Courses:**
- 4\* **Leader in Pyrenees,** Graham.K, Trevor C & Amelia C attending. Mid Sept.
- Club Activity Assistant:** online course CR & JK to do. CR/JK
- Paddle Ability** for SCA members 20 Sept. Dale & CR to go. Dale/ CR
- Coaching Matters:** SCA event in Aberdeen. CR, Dale, JK going Dale / JK
- Level 1 = Mark Mitchell to go.  
3\* kayak = Trevor Cardy  
1<sup>st</sup> Aid = Graham K  
3\* Canoe = Amelia to arrange with JK
21. **ACC Advertising:** Agreed 2 banners to be bought for £180. Can be used on shed and also on railings opposite The Boat.
22. **Any Other Business**
- a) **Personal Use of Kit:** Coaches can only borrow equipment fitting to their qualifications. Non coaches should not use club kit to take members of the public on trips. CR to remind GK. CR
- b) **River Don Advisor:** Lyle Smith appointed.
- c) **River Dee Outreach Officer:** Marina Piper (CR's neighbour)
- d) **Awards for All:** £10000 application on hold

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016**