

MINUTES - FCC Committee Meeting 18 April 2016

Present: MJ, RA, CMG, MH, AT, KS, Roger Holmes (SCA Focus Club Officer)

Apologies: AR, PC, RP, LB, KRK

1. Welcome new committee members
2. Minutes from the last Committee Meeting (14 December 2015) were approved
3. Matters arising from the last Minutes:
Boat house roof – instructing roofers is in progress. Action MH

Slalom gate refurbishing is still required. Action KR

Additional boat storage space –

Containers – Fountainbridge Meanwhile faces imminent disassembly, Bridge8Hub in Westerhailes is still to be explored – Action MH

Current site – Scottish Canals seeks to expand the mooring on the FCC-side of the Canal, on both sides of the bridge, but faces significant challenges. The discussion is ongoing – Action MH
4. DCI update
FCC is to report on progress by June 2016. Roger Holmes will send more information regarding the Sport Scotland's reporting requirements. Action Roger and MJ
5. Child protection policy on the website (2 documents) requires updating as a matter of urgency. Action KS to email LB
6. Buoyancy aids –
current FCC practice is to test their floatation annually. This should be documented as part of the Risk Assessment. Action RA
The Trips Guidance for leaders ought to be reviewed in respect of use of buoyancy aids. Action KS
7. Castle Semple Para Canoe day 22 May – FCC will try to coordinate the coaches and volunteers attending, in particular transport. Roger Holmes to receive list of participants mid-May. Action KS and RA
8. Rogue boats in the boathouse –
It was noted that at the extraordinary meeting in December 2015, TL apologised for erroneously using more boat spaces than had been paid for. The matter was rectified.
Other members who had appropriated un-allocated boat spaces had been formally written to and instructed to remove those boats by the end of the club year, and had complied.

AOB

FCC agreed to re-imburse CMG for expenses incurred in facebook advertising. Action RP

Completed Membership forms in hard copy are to be forwarded to AR electronically. Action CMG

Canalfest – a list of volunteers (min 10) to be compiled by 8 May, otherwise FCC will not be able to participate this year. If we do participate, FCC to contact Canal Fest Organisers. Action KS

The FCC website which has been an excellent resource over many years thanks to JR has become overloaded and therefore confusing. Regular updates are required. Committee will investigate alternatives, ideally for a platform which links the website with facebook, twitter, the payment system and the membership registration.

PC to run a trial online-booking-system over the summer 2016. Action MJ and PC

FCC to re-advertise IT-position on committee. Action KS

The 6 SCA Lightnings will have to be returned by the end of 2016. FCC to consider whether to replace them with FCC boats. Awards For All funding might be available for packets including buoyancy aids, paddles and spraydecks. Action MJ

FCC Events organisation – Action MJ

FCC committee to check DCI and FCC Constitution and identify common ethos and goals. Action All

Slalom group will try to streamline Pinkston practice days with Pinkston Panthers, and other clubs. Action AT

Reserved business

Date of next Committee Meeting: **20 June 2016**

KS