Welcome to FCC 2016 AGM & Prize Giving
Forth Canoe Club
Paddling in the Heart of Edinburgh

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Commodores Address — Looking Back

- Membership at record levels
- Lots of activity - trips, courses new coaches, new coach cadets
- Loads of new boats and equipment, clothing, signage, boat house renovation (Edinburgh for Communities funding £2313)
- £35,000 DCI funding for a club coach from sportscotland
- Connection with Forrester’s school and their pool
- Strong junior section with 25 children carrying on training through the winter
- 4 FCC members paddling for GB
- Grantully Slalom, Canal Festival
- Rob Ailey SCA Volunteer Coach of the Year – great work on Access for all
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Commodores Address — Looking Forward

• Full calendar of activities for seniors planned, star awards and coaching qualifications
• All year round calendar of activities for juniors
• New partnership with Craiglockhart Primary and Active Schools successful assembly delivered 4-3-16 & children signing up for courses through the summer term.
• At least 5 new boats being bought
• Plan to introduce more trips – at the end of each star award
• Canal Festival 18th June
• Grandtully Slalom August
• Great Edinburgh Paddle Race 25th September
Sprint Report

- 17 FCC competitors at Scottish Championships
- 12 Gold, 6 Silver & 4 Bronze at Scottish Championships
- GB Vests for Ieuan James, Ben Gallacher & Rachel Kneen
- 4 FCC athletes in SCA Performance Squad
- An additional 4 FCC athletes invited to train with the SCA Performance Squad
- Junior section training hard all through the summer and having a lot of fun too
- 2 new lightnings and 3 new Junior K2’s
Slalom Report

- Well Done to Lois & Sam Leaver (promotion to Prem & Div 1 Respectively).
- Great to see a Forth Paddler win our ‘Home’ event and Grandtully this year (Div. 1 K1W – Lois)
Slalom Report

• 7 Paddler in the ‘Beginners / Improvers Slalom Group
• 3 Key Aims of the Group
  • To DEVELOP as a paddler
  • To COMPETE for the club
  • To HAVE FUN
• Paddlers developed and improved over the sessions. We all had fun at Fernilee on the last river trip of the season
• We had 7 promotions across 2 divisions and 4 classes (K1W, K1M, C1W & C1M)
• All (certainly appeared to) have FUN
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Slalom – HAVING FUN
Access Report

- Huge input from volunteers
- Lots of Coaches taken part in SCA Paddleability Courses
- Two open access days
- 1:1 support provided to children and adults
- Notable success include passes at paddle passport level 4 and one star qualifications
- Working with Barnardo’s and Edinburgh City Council to provide pathways into paddlesport
Child Protection

- Growing importance >100 children and >500 coached hours being delivered to children each year
- FCC takes child protection seriously and completed disclosure process for existing coaches and coach helpers
- All new coaches/coach helpers are undergoing disclosure process when getting involved
- We make sure that our policies are updated and put into place.
- Parents please support this by making children aware of their rights for a safe environment.
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Trips, Events and Club Nights

• Masses of Activity Including..

25 January (Babs) Tweed to Fairnilee
8 February Clyde with Babs
7 March (Mick) Avon – OCs and kayaks
8 March – joint beginners trip with EKC to the Teith
22 March (Babs) Stanley
12 April (Babs) Tweed
17-19 April Glenmore Lodge Club Volunteer Conference
25/26 April OC weekender (Mick) to the Dee

8 August (Babs) Tweed to Peebles swimming pool
15 August slalom at Grandtully
23 August slalom at Fairnilee
29/30 August Grandtully Annual National Slalom
6 September trip to the Teith
7 September (Jonathan) Tweed to Fairnilee
13 September trip to Alva (Slalom)
20 September: Wet West Paddlefest
26 September trip to Alva (Slalom)
28 September – Access Day

18 May Tweed Festival
7 June: First Aid Skills Refresher in Harrison Park
15 June: Alva trip (slalom)
20 June - Ronald and Jessie McKay come to visit at Club Night. They hand over some truly historical Committee Meeting Minutes. Ronald, one of the Club Co-founders, is 98 years old.
26 June: The Boys Brigade come to FCC
27 June: Canal Festival
11 July Stanley in Opens
29 July: Gordon Ross wins the Gary Boater X!

4 October Slalom Group at Fairnilee with Tam Andrew and Katerina
15 October Pinkston (Poppy)
24 October Tay Descent (Jonathan)

Club Nights start with a BBQ. Every first Thursday of the month is Open Night. We were so successful that we ran out of boats!

Club Nights finish with a BBQ
Halloween at the FCC!
Bath Sessions start

3* Training on the Tweed 7 November, Lochore 21 November - Jonathan and Tam
29 December end of year trip, sadly cancelled (Jonathan and Poppy)

Tam and Katerina started offering Open Boat skills training and trips every first and third Saturday of the month since December – Loch Ore next to Lochgelly, Teith...
Trips, Events and Club Nights

Outlook for 2016

- Tam and Katerina running Canadian skills days & trips each month - announced in the Events box on the FCC website. Kayaks are also welcome.
- Mick wants to run a Canadian sailing trip on Loch Awe & multi day trip.
- Jonathan wants to run some grade 4 white water trips.
- A Pinkston rolling session (Pinkston on 1 - 2 pumps) is scheduled for 12 June.
- First Thursday of the month will be Open Nights again. Halloumi cheese has been requested for our opening barbeque.
- We plan to run 2 kayak 1* and 2 OC 1* in 2016 but we decided not to hold coached sessions at club nights in June/July/August.
- We will split our 2* sessions to be 4 weeks kayak and 4 weeks OC. Two such courses will be run in 2016, with assessments over 2 nights or a full day.
Coaching

- 10 x L1 passes in 2015
- Congratulations to all our new coaches.

- 6 x 1* awarded in 2015
- 8 x 2* awarded in 2015
## Membership

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Membership

- Total members with subscriptions: 291 (2014: 275)
- Senior members with subscriptions: 132 (2014: 141)
- Junior members with subscriptions: 90 (2014: 32)
- Family subscriptions: 24 (2014: 34)
- Family members this represents: 69 (2014: 94)
- Associate members with subscriptions: 0 (2014: 8)
- Keys hired: 54 (2014: 47)
- Boat hire subscriptions: 16 (2014: 13)
- Members who are SCA members: 56 (2014: 38)
- Members who are not SCA members: 235 (2014: 237)
# FCC Accounts 2015

## Net Income

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## Annual Surplus

- **13.0**
- **Excluding all Grants/DCI**
  - **3.2**
Election of Office Bearers

10 voted for positions
1) Commodore - Mick James
2) Secretary - Katerina Stein
3) Treasurer - Robb Peel
4) Child Protection Officer - Gemma Alonso
5) Membership Secretary - Alistair Riddell
6) Facilities Manager - Matt Harvey
7) Access Officer - Robb Ailey
8) Coaching Co-ordinator - Cara McGuigan
9) Trips Co-ordinator & Club liaison officer - Katerina Stein
10) Website/social media - vacant

5 Co-opted positions
a. Event Safety Officer (co-opted) - Poppy Croal
b. Slalom Rep (co-opted) - Andrew Thomson
c. Polo Rep (co-opted) - Poppy Croal
d. Committee member without portfolio - Kelso Riddell
e. Second Child Protection Officer - Laura Budge
Changes to Constitution

- Open to all clause
- Voting Ages clause
- Group Membership allowing access to interested groups
Subscription Levels for 2016

- **No change recommended**
- Key Hire £20 (with £5 rebate for returning previous year’s key)
- Senior (ordinary) membership - £25
- Junior membership - £12.50
- Family membership - £50
- Associate (non-paddling) member - £5
- Club boat hire – on canal, junior member - £2
- Club boat hire – on canal, senior member - £3
- Club boat hire – off canal, all members - £5 (waived if competing for FCC)
- Club boat hire – on canal, non-member (taster session) - £5
- Club boat hire – off canal, non-member (taster session) - £10
- Club boat hire – annual subscription (members) - £60
Notes

• Policies and Provisions – please remind yourselves of these - they are all on the website and will help you to understand how the club works

• PLEASE GET INVOLVED

• Volunteers needed for
  • Canal Festival 18th June – see Katerina
  • Grandtully Slalom August – see Kelso
  • Great Edinburgh Paddle Race 25th September – See Mick

• Club Clothing on sale : Helly Tops at £25 and Gilets at £20
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Prize giving
...Get a drink from the bar first
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Slalom Awards        6
Sprint Awards         5
Coaching Awards       5
Polo Awards           2
Commodores Cup        1