

Seil Coastal Rowing Club
2nd Annual General Meeting 25th November 2014 7:30pm
Minutes

Present:

Dr George Hannah, Louise Wilson, Dawn Singleton, Lyden Singleton, James Fenton, Sue Fenton, Sara Wilson, Ewan Kennedy, Nick Bowles, Ray Norris, Mary Norris, David Glennie, Helen Glennie, Nick Hunter, George Houston, Alan Coutts.

Apologies:

Alastair Mills, Sue Turner, Ray Turner, Julia Hannah.

1. Convenor's Report:

George Hannah circulated last years AGM Minutes for perusal. Agreement of them was proposed by Sara Wilson and seconded by Nick Bowles.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Accounts for 2013 -2014 were circulated by Louise Wilson. The Accounting year runs from 1st November to 31st October.

Total Income £1,156.00,

Total Expenditure £685.00

Cash at Bank £1,218.00.

Income came from Subscriptions and proceeds from the Ceildh and beach clean.

Expenditure accumulated from Insurance and SCRA membership, boat maintenance, radio, Ceildh costs, and transport costs of Selkie to Isle of Mull Regatta. Refunds were attributed for locker and spare wheel.

Accounts were proposed by David Glennie and seconded by James Fenton.

Matters Arising:

3. The Convenor, Treasurer, and Management Committee members stood down and the following were elected. For the 2014 to 2015 year.

Convenor: Sue Fenton proposed by George Hannah seconded by Louise Wilson

Treasurer: Louise Wilson to continue in office.

Dawn Singleton also agreed to continue in office.

4. Sue Fenton in taking Convenors chair suggested for the Convenor's role to be separated into Convenor and Meetings Secretary. Previously the Treasurer, on behalf of the Convenor, had undertaken the role of Meetings Secretary. It was agreed that this could happen.

Helen Glennie was proposed for the new role of Meetings Secretary by Mary Norris and seconded by Sara Wilson.

5. The Management Committee members willing to re-stand were Ewan Kennedy and Nick Bowles. George Hannah was asked to stand on the Management Committee for continuity.

- 6.** Sue Fenton thanked George Hannah for his role as Convenor and all that he had done. Sue also thanked Nick Hunter for the use of his pontoon area for Selkie to be stored. This area became known as Hunters Quay, or HQ for short. Nick Hunter said that he would be happy for Hunters Quay to be used now and again for any Regatta purpose that Seil Coastal Rowing and Selkie might organise.
- 7.** Selkie is currently stored on the foreshore in front of David Foster's house Fasgadh, but agreement has been reached with Mike McSweeney of Balvicar Boatyard that Selkie can be stored there inside the second gate, and to the right of the slipway in the boatyard. Selkie is to be moved there shortly. A Code of Conduct Within the Boatyard to be prepared by Sue Fenton in agreement with Mike McSweeney, and distributed to all Seil Coastal Rowing Club members for use.
- 8.** It was decided not to have a full Regatta and Ceildh this year as it was felt Ewan's brother, Neil Kennedy, needed a year off from all of his musical services that he given to the Seil Coastal Rowing Club for this event. But many thanks to Neil Kennedy for all he has done with his lively enthusiasm.
- 9.** Fund raising ideas for the winter months included soup lunches, and a Burns Supper with a daytime row. Nick Bowles agreed to recite Tam O'Shanter for a Burns Supper. A date of 24th January to be considered as this would not clash with Burns celebrations on Easdale Island. Sue Fenton to progress this further.
- 10.** Sue Fenton, Ewan Kennedy and Alan Coutts have successfully undertaken the RYA VHF radio course this year. Anyone who is considering Coxing in the future is encouraged to undertake this as well. Members already holding the RYA VHF License are James Fenton, George Houston, George Hannah and Nick Bowles.
- 11.** The current oars are in need of some attention following the season's use. Ewan Kennedy offered to look at these and also look at preparing new, longer pairs of oars for racing.
- 12.** Sue Fenton thanked George Houston for mending the trolley, which now has a stronger connection to the handles, which are now at a more ergonomic height.
- 13.** Nick Hunter offered the use of his shed and shore for short -term uses, which was gratefully received.
- 14.** Sue Fenton said that Seil Coastal Rowing Club had attended Ullapool, Isle of Mull and Loch Insh Regattas this year. Ewan Kennedy had been a prize winner at Loch Insh. Selkie attended at Ullapool and Isle of Mull. Sue Fenton also said that there were 80 St Ayles Skiffs now launched in Scotland.

15. The come and try events for Selkie this year had attracted people but it was felt that more younger people needed to be encouraged to get involved for recreational as well as Regatta rowing.

16. Nick Hunter said it would be a good idea for 'Selkie', Luings 'Hinba' and Kilmelford's 'Gill of Melfort' skiffs to get together for rowing as they are all in a relatively close proximity to one another.

17. Several of the current lifejackets will need to be replaced for the forthcoming year as there was rusting on the canisters. Nick Bowles suggested that they could be re-gassed if there was no corrosion. Sue Fenton said that she would look to get some replacements.

18. Louise Wilson said that the current Subscriptions were now due and that £10.00 was the current rate. A show of hands agreed that this rate be maintained for the year 2014-2015. Other Clubs did have higher rates but often this was in association with club facilities such as premises, sheds and showers.

19. The RNLI Challenge was not undertaken this year but Lyden Singleton agreed he would look to organise Selkie for taking part next year.

20. The meeting closed at 8:13pm

Louise Wilson and Helen Glennie
Meetings Secretary
27th November 2014

Distribution of Draft AGM minutes to all present by e-mail.