

Minutes of Committee Meeting 2nd June 2025

Present: Dave, Mark, Rob, John, Andrew, Tony, Kay, Sue

Apologies: none

Minutes read and agreed

Matters arising:

Notice on changing room doors: Dave asked Sam why these had disappeared (re cathedral school changing) – he didn't know but would ask.

Use of launch for race: Sam doesn't think will be a problem but need to get RC Committee approval – will let us know.

Hereford Race: Rob said everything in place. Dave asked if we had asked Karen if she would take photos again this year. No but thought she would.

Risk assessment: Lee was waiting for RC to have their regatta so he could see their risk assessment as ours should be integrated with this. He will bring it down on Wednesday.

Rob had query if GSK1 and GSK2 could be separated as they had 2 sons that wanted to do K1 and then K2. On website run straight after each other. Rob to reply saying we would try and accommodate it by running K2 event straight after main event but would mean not involved in main prize giving as couldn't hold this up. One other GSK2 has entered so need to see that they are happy with this.

John has got slate coasters organised for first prize. Tony suggested for next year should organise 3 years' worth of prizes early (September) so could return to etched glasses. 2 firms found for this – one local but no quote and one John has found.

Rob offered to buy stuff for cake stall as Sophie away but Mark said he and Linda would do it. Kay said she had 60 paper plates already + 90 cups. Kay to phone Linda re this. Mark put callout on Facebook for cakes.

Rob will ask if we can have fridge.

Kay asked John to order 100 burgers for BBQ. Andrew asked if there BBQ alright for this year. Kay said it would do.

Car parking sorted.

Gazebos – Kay has 2 and Rob will bring one in case needed.

Sumo to do start and Lee will be asked to bring them up.

Claire and Mark upstairs doing results (Mark to ask if we can use office again) and John will do checking in with them downstairs.

First Aider – we now have 8+ qualified first aiders – be told to go to refreshment tent if need someone and will be referred (Kay around for most of it – when she is racing Mark will fill in).

Andrew to check buoys.

Rob wanted to hold final meeting before race – will hold it after training Monday 9th June (7.30).

Andrew suggested we should do a litter clean along river before the race (bottles etc. in trees). Agreed.

Incident report: Dave has sent a couple of emails to fishing club as in the last few weeks paddlers have seen hand lines tied to trees (to catch eels?) – 8 lines out a couple of weeks ago. Fishermen very grateful for detailed info and said would send bailiffs up. Bailiffs have already intercepted one person preparing to put out lines. We will keep an eye out for these and report if seen.

Quality Club: Dave said paddlesport had enquired why it was not yet started

Financial report: Kay said approx. 15 people have now paid subs + army.

Racking : Still need to check measurements before order placed.

AOB

Boat repairs: new footrests bought

Pre-race BBQ: Kay asked if we should hold a BBQ wed before race. Agreed this was a good idea. Mark will put on Facebook. Tony to send e-mail. This will be weather dependent.

Next meeting July 7th 7.30

Meeting closed 8.17pm