



# AVON COUNTY ROWING CLUB

## MINUTES

### **Committee meeting held at Saltford Rowing Centre, Saltford Monday, 21 September 2015, at 7:30pm**

**Present:** Penny Senior, Debbie Blackmore, Julian Sondheimer, Philippa Sondheimer, Clair Ponting, Antony Constantinidi, Helen Willcox, Tom Scott, Grace Bramer, Liz Gray

**Apologies:** Jim Dawson, Parveen Jones, Sallyanne Lewis

**Minutes of Last Meeting** - approved and adopted

**Update Action List** – updated version will be circulated

Helen is still working on getting bike racks from BANES.

We need to deal with the non-compliant items on the Safety Plan.

Debbie to ask Sal to organize a safety meeting for all the clubs using the reach, as soon as possible.

Philippa and Debbie to check the restricted keel scull for leaks.

#### **Reports (previously circulated) –**

Captain & Juniors – Gym schedule confirmed as Tuesdays/women, Wednesdays/men, Thursdays/juniors.

The committee agreed unanimously to pay the costs for Penny and Chris to attend the National Junior Coaching Conference.

Men – no matters arising

Women – a big 'well done' to Patsy Lamb for organizing the tea party last Saturday – which raised well over £400 for the women's boat fund

Novices – Tom and Grace agreed to have a look at the Explore boats in an effort to resolve the recurring loose rigger nuts issue.

Philippa will be offering next year's taster sessions to men first, in an effort to build up the men's squad.

**Boathouse Management Committee Issues** – Antony has met the UBBC Director of Sport, who has agreed to pay all outstanding bills promptly. Negotiations continue on the sewage treatment plant required.

**Safety and Governance** – The newly-installed restraint ring on the hard surface is causing concern. It has been placed there to prevent the launch trailer accidentally following the launch into the river. It was suggested that the first person down in the morning place a yellow bucket over it, and the last person to leave returns the bucket to the boathouse. Penny to place a notice in RN to this effect.

Antony will write to Laura Fielding at BR again to attempt to bring the outstanding complaint/compliance issues to a close. He will copy Annamarie Phelps in the hope she can expedite the process.

#### **Monitoring the ACRC Development Plan (BR)**

Philippa to circulate the plan for comment.

#### **Events**

150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner – held at the boathouse, with a respectable turnout.

Duchy Day – The Duchy were very pleased with the event.

Monkton Bluefriars 17 October – Plans are progressing and entries are open.

Beginners Race 18 Oct – ACRC vs Minerva beginners.

Avon Autumn 21 November – Committee in place, and plans progressing.

UBBC Head – Clair will be doing the catering for the event again this year.

**Finance/Subs (previously circulated)** – As soon as the Medlock grant is confirmed, the committee agreed to purchase a new Janousek 80 for the women's squad.

'Mary' is being purchased from Ian Derbyshire for the junior squad. The £1000 price is being paid from the bacon butty fund.

**New Members** – FULL: Sam Eastwood, Christopher Green, Sarah Ashford, Chris Browne, Ryan Hughes, Erin Jeffrey, Russell Lee, Russell Martin, Neil Mcken, Oliver Perkin, Julie Porter, Keith Rundle, Caroline Schofield, Andrew Seed, Jenny Sharpe, Georgia Woodman.

JUNIOR: Phoebe Baker-Johnson, Rosa Boursin, Imogen Clayton, Elliot Johnson-Hall

**Any Other Business** – Bath Marina have again submitted a planning application for additional moorings below the top bridge. The club has filed a strenuous objection, on serious safety grounds.

Newton St Loe Farm Shop will bring their sub-contractor down to provide an estimate for getting the club side riverbank cleared on the straight.

Brian Mawer, a former Monkton boatman, has passed away. Debbie to ask Julian Bewick to whom the club can express condolences.

After some discussion it was agreed that if members wish to provide private coaching to beginners, they can do so, but on the understanding that the beginner must join the club, and cannot join the respective squads until they complete the next scheduled Learn to Row course.

**Date and Time of Next** - Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> October, 7:30pm at Saltford Rowing Centre.

## **Captains report:**

### **Equipment - repair**

*[Last meeting ...George James is rigged and back in use.*

*Get Smart has been rigged as a pair for now.*

*The double virus has been mended.*

*The single virus gone to Antony.*

*KT broken shoulder]*

I have booked KT (broken shoulder), RL (broken shoulder, messy canvas), CH (broken bit), CL (hull service, mend stern) in to Janousek to be mended.

I have also contacted Nick Brett to get some of the blades mended.

Seat swapping is a constant issue.

I am about to order spares – so if you know of things we need, please let me know.

### **Evening Gym use**

We need to agree which squad uses the gym on which evening over the winter.

### **Sculling Blades**

*[Carol has painted the new men's and women's blades.]*

I haven't ordered the junior blades yet.

### **Blade racks**

*[RP rack has been delivered and installed].*

### **Boat Racks**

*[We need to get a few more racks up in the boathouse – and to fix the ones we already have.]*

### **Results**

#### **Maters Arising**

Equipment

Gym

## **Junior Coordinators Report:**

### **Junior Coaches conference**

Chris and I are going to this next weekend. It costs £150 ea – would the club like to contribute please?

### **Land Training**

Wellsway School gym is no longer available so I have booked Broadlands instead. We will be starting land training in October.

### **Equipment**

*[Bellatrix has been collected and is in use (and winning).]*

### **Henley Womens**

*[The WJ16 4X- made it to the semi finals at Womens Henley.]*

### **Results**

#### **Bryanston Regatta:**

J14 1X Will

WJ14 2X Alicia, Frede

WJ14 1X Alicia

WJ14 1X (Plate) Scarlett

## **Hereford Regatta**

Can't remember I'm afraid

### **Llandaff:**

WJ18 2X Molly, Bria  
WJ16 2X Ellie Mc, Ellie H  
WJ15 2X Bria, Brooke (from USA)  
WJ14 2X Alicia, Scarlett  
WJ18 4X- Ellie, Ellie, Molly, Carla  
WJ16 1X Carla  
IM3 1X Rob  
J14 2X Olivier, Will  
J16 1X Harry  
J13 1X Will

### **British Rowing Champs**

WJ15 2X (gold) Molly, Bria  
WJ16 1X (silver) Carla  
WJ16 4X- (silver) Ellie Mc, Carls, Bria, Molly

### **Bewdley Regattas**

#### **Saturday**

J14 2X Will, Olivier  
J13 1X Will  
Mxd IM3 4X- Bria, Molly, Aaron, Harry  
WJ16 4X- Ellie, Ellie, Molly D, Bria  
WJ13 1X Scarlett

#### **Sunday**

IM3 1X Rob  
J18 1X Rob  
J13 1X Will  
J14 2X Olivier, Will  
WN 2x Jenna, Molly D  
WJ16 2X Ellie x 2  
W J14 4X+ Amelia, Rachael, Scarlett, Kirstie

### **Events**

Monkton  
Pangbourne

### **Matters Arising**

none

## **Men's Squad Report – Sep 15**

MasD 4+ to race at Vet Fours Head.

Thank you Debbie for taking on a beginner crew. From October this means women are unable to use Penny at 10.30 on Saturdays, so hopefully the new women's eight is progressing.

## **WOMEN'S SQUAD REPORT – SEP 15**

Gloucester Regatta - wins for WMasC 4+ - Kath, Helen G, Sal, Nic and Abbie R and WMasB 4x Helen W, Ange E, Ange S and Patsy. Brilliant days racing and fun had by all.

Looking forward to receiving the last batch of LTR women and settling down for the head race season.

Boat Fundraising - Huge thanks to Patsy and her Crew, for putting on a splendid afternoon tea and cake competition. Special thanks to Penny and Julian for judging the cake competition and all those who contributed to make it such a wonderful event and raised £467.50.

Fingers crossed we can host more successful events in the future

## **Beginner Report September 2015**

### **Final numbers for 2015 courses**

The final figures are:	March	May	August
Enquiries	52	35	60 (8 carried over )
Booked in for tasters	35	22	33
Attended taster	26	18	29
Continued after taster	22	12	24
Handed over to co-ordinators	16	7	
Man-hours of coaching/helping	122	87	

### **Sport England**

Achievement against the Sport England participant target is shown below; the achievement is in brackets next to the relevant target. As is clear, we have only met one of the six targets, although there might still be one or two juniors to add in.

	Male	Female
Aged 0 - 13	15 ( 5 )	15 ( 8 )
Aged 14 - 26	35 ( 9 )	35 ( 22 )
Aged 26+	35 ( 26 )	35 ( 38 )

The above includes all three tasters/courses, juniors who have joined the club and the pub teams.

Sport England will soon require their monitoring reports. As well as the above we can report that:

- For adults we have replied to 139 enquiries - our total for the March/May/August courses
- We ran a successful Community Explore event in June as part of the Parish Festival and will repeat this in some form in 2016, with the Festival figuring again in 2017.
- We are planning to run a beginner fun race and social day with another local club ( Minerva ) in October giving more people the opportunity to try the boats.
- Our replies and targets relate to one year only; these boats should have a useful life of at least [ five ] years so we can count on surpassing our SE targets several times over, during that period.

### **Issues for Committee**

Spring and Summer courses only next year should enable us to reach all BR and SE targets as long as people rally round to help coach at the Virus stage.

AVON COUNTY ROWING CLUB							
Financial Report for Committee Meeting on 21 September 2015							
1. BANK BALANCE							
	Interest rate	This report (21/09/15)	Previous report (13/07/15)	Change			
Current account - General		20,601	15,318	5,283			
Current account - Captain		4,641	4,320	321			
Deposit account	0.05%	948	948	0			
100 Club account		5,046	5,046	0			
CAF Cash account		5,362	4,834	528			
CAF Gold account	0.15%	775	200	575			
Virgin Money account	1.00%	17,433	17,433	0			
CAF 90 day notice account	closed	0	575	(575)			
<b>Total in bank</b>		<b>54,807</b>	<b>48,674</b>	<b>6,133</b>			
General excludes subs standing order receipts since 08/09/15							
There are also accounts for ACRC events: HSBC (all except Bristol Avon Regatta), NatWest (Bristol Avon Regatta)							
Debtors: Entries & gym/landtraining		1,153	1,433	(280)			
Debtors: Kit		260	330	(70)			
<b>Total entries &amp; kit debtors</b>		<b>1,413</b>	<b>1,763</b>	<b>(350)</b>			
Debts incurred before 01/04/12 excluded.							
2. MAJOR INCOME & EXPENDITURE ITEMS SINCE LAST REPORT							
(excluding normal routine items)							Amount
transfer to Boat Funds from Regatta May 2015							1,000 income
settling up historic amounts owed between parties re construction							2,450 income
3. IMPENDING MAJOR EXPENDITURE/INCOME							
							Amount
oars (4 sets)							2,000
cox box							500
digester							??
4. FINANCIAL ISSUES							

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## Info for September 2015 meeting

		As at 31 August 2015	As at 31 March 2015	As at 31 March 2014	As at 31 March 2013
<b>Membership</b>					
<b>Number of members:</b> Sub/month					
(admitted members known to be active and intending to carry on paying subscription. Does not include members to be admitted at this meeting)					
Full	20	112	98	89	76
Coach	4	2	2	2	2
Student	10	11	12	6	6
Vac student	pay per vac	6	5	4	3
Junior	9	67	56	67	72
Oldfield junior	5	0	0	0	0
Friday only junior	0	0	0	0	0
Junior - family membe	5	2	1	2	4
Junior - family membe	0	1	0	0	0
LTR current ( ie not got	flat £20	0	0	0	0
Kingswood	9	36	44	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>237</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>163</b>
<b>TARGET CLUB MEMBERSHIP</b>		<b>189</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>172</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>BR Registered members ( 2 September 2015 )</b>					
1st club		192	179	123	119
2nd club		13	13	9	12
3rd club		4	3	2	3
Total		209	195	134	134
<b>TARGET BR FIRST CLUB MEMBERS</b>		<b>138</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>119</b>
<b>Money</b>					
Subs forecast for year		37219	35685	30265	28651
Money collected to date		17177	34367	29499	29304

As at 31 March 2012	As at 31 March 2011	As at 31 March 2010	As at 31 March 2009
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76	60	55	60
1	1	1	1
3	6	4	4
2	4	3	2
57	56	62	53
4	4	7	9
0	0	0	0
5	5	5	8
0	0	0	0
5	10	0	3
0	0	0	0
153	146	137	140

90	79
13	15
4	4
107	98

20755	21623
19815	20105