



MINUTES OF AGM MEETING

HELD AT THE AVON ROOM, SALTFORD HALL, SALTFORD

AT 7.30 PM ON FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2011

Present: Penny Senior ("PSen"), Clair Ponting ("CLP"), Julian Sondheimer ("JS"), Philippa Sondheimer ("PSond"), Chris Levan ("CL"), Ian Vickery ("IV"), Veronica Rodriguez ("VR"), Lionel Cartledge ("LC"), Jeremy Cheek ("JC"), Keith Trivett ("KT"), Robin Leach ("RL"), Mary Thorne ("MT"), Graham Hockley ("GVH"), Geoff Peattie ("GP"), Chris Bridgen ("CB")

Apologies: Keith Saunders, Antony Constantinidi, Jim Dawson, Chris Hopper, Chris Blunt, Debbie Blackmore, Ivor Blackmore, Peter Lewis, Shay Brennan, Alastair Watson, David Hoblely, Andrew Barton

Item

PS welcomed all to the meeting, Keith Saunders, the current president, was out of the country on holiday.

1 Apologies

As above.

2 Minutes of Last Meeting

Circulated by email. PSond believed the 'Any Other Business' section referring to the constitution should have read 'The latest version of the Constitution had been circulated. To avoid continual updating of the Club Constitution each time the Almanack was updated it was agreed to include a paragraph 1.6.3 to say: "If British Rowing guidelines differ from the relevant provisions of this Constitution, the British Rowing guidance will take precedence." The minutes were adopted incorporating this amendment.

3 Matters arising

None.

All reports have been circulated in advance of the meeting by email, and are included with these minutes.

4 Captain's Report

No queries arising.

5 Co-ordinators' Reports

Novice

No queries arising.

Women

No queries arising.

Veteran

No report prepared.

Junior

No queries arising.

Men's

No report prepared although the men's squad had been very active and it was believed that two 4+ would be racing at Monkton Bluefriars.

6 Safety Advisor's Report

GP thought 'capsize through incompetence' was a bit of a harsh phrase, it was suggested it be changed to 'capsized through inexperience'.

7 Equipment Report

Incorporated into Captain's report. No queries arising.

8 Trustees Report

CL is here to present the report.

The Trustees deal with Bristol University regarding rent, although Bristol Uni are currently dealing with ACRC directly regarding the proposed developments. There has not been much activity in the accounts, although there is a 10% increase in rent.

CL advised that there was a battle over rent with the Uni threatening legal action – they are not the easiest people to deal with.

The £20,000 with National Savings earned no interest on the capital. The £20,000 was earmarked for the development and if it is not needed then it can be put on deposit to earn interest.

The excess of income over expenses is £591; there is £26,000 in the bank - £20,000 of which is with National Savings and is the insurance money for the chalets.

No queries arising.

9 Treasurer's Report

Presented by JS.

Accounts to 31 March 2011. Income and expenditure £5,000 surplus, with an increase in subs income, and a reduction in depreciation charge. £6,000 is an exceptional item referring to a third of the Planning application fee and preparing the ground. £6,000 had been received from BANES as a grant.

Balance Sheet – important divided into various designated funds. £73,000 net assets divided into all things club needs to continue, reserves available for development £30,000, in addition to the £20,000 from the Trustees.

No queries arising

10 Adoption of Auditor

CL's company are auditors of the accounts will they continue? Yes

Proposed: AC Seconded: PSond/JS

11 Boathouse and Surrounds

No report. No significant change other than clearing vandalism as usual, rafts had been untethered. Launch was stolen.

12 Developments

Planning permission submitted, waiting to hear if we have it.

RL – is there an actual hearing?

GP – There is a planning committee at which it will be reviewed.

JS on behalf of AC

JD and AC handling work on application and work with David Laurence involved with Monkton and BANES. Written to Withy King. AC advised planning decision anytime, objections will be dealt with by council. Very encouraging.

Capital costs of project in 2 phases

Putting up sheds and plinths, prep work		£500,000
MCS and Bristol Uni	each £200,000	
ACRC	£100,000	

Grant from British Rowing	£75,000
Cash	£30,000

Accommodation block, further works and car park approx	£500,000
MCS and Bristol Unit	each £200,000
ACRC	£100,000

Hoping to get Heritage Lottery grant of	£50,000
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Fundraising, bank loan and capital to fund the rest.

A new entity has been suggested to be an independent company limited by guarantee. There are ongoing discussions regarding set up and lease. Cleaning, gardening, security, rent should be divided into thirds with ACRC liable for one third.

It is too early to impact on running costs.

RL – agreement for running facility 2:2:1, what happens if one of the parties cannot meet the costs of the maintenance? There will need to be several meetings regarding the management and contractual issues.

KT – two buildings used by 3 rowing clubs, retain own identity? There would be a management joint committee decided by representatives, this is still being hammered out. We will not agree to anything that changes the tenure of the club.

PSond – once passed, if we want a grant from British Rowing, how do we think to increase participation in rowing – may help with costs.

Is Griffin coming in with us? Griffin feel they are somewhat in the dark about the plans. Is there an area for the canoes?

PSen – yes there is provision for the canoes.

North Avon Canoe approached GVH.

13 Reports from ACRC Events and Joint Events

Head

Report – see below. The event was very successful made £5,000.

Regatta

The regatta happened, unfortunately we lost our major sponsor, the entries were slightly down, we didn't lose any money but unfortunately no dividend will be paid this year. Well run.

14 Membership, subs and charges. The Committee proposed no change of the classes of subs for 2011/2012

	New Rate	Old Rate
	per month	per month
Adults	£20.00	£18.00
Juniors	£9.00	£7.00
Racking	£48.00/year	unchanged
Coaching	£48.00/year	unchanged
Student	£10.00	unchanged

AM – a survey of other clubs in the area would be fairly reflective (Juniors at Minerva pay £12 per month).

Agreed a vote should take place

Proposed: GP

Seconded: AM

Apply changes from 1st April.

A new class of membership was discussed. It has come to light that some members do not want to pay a full subscription as they only want to row every so often and not on a regular basis. If a new class of membership was created it would have to be included in the constitution. General discussion on how this could be created, possibility of paying a nominal fee for it, eg retainer. It was believed that the constitution would not need to be amended as there was already a clause for captain's discretion. If someone wanted to row occasionally, how would it be policed? It should be done on trust, and open to people who had been members for some time.

Lots of questions about what is 'occasionally' and whether it should be defined. Discussing how many people it actually refers to, which would be around 5 or 6. Could they be classed as social membership, no this implies not using club equipment.

Conclusion: trial with captain's discretion clause and see how it goes. If necessary, bring back to next year's AGM with properly worded clause. Or if an EGM were needed perhaps it could be addressed then.

General consensus that most were happy with this course of action.

15 Election of President, Officers and Committee

Keith Saunders was standing down as president after 30 years service. Very many thanks to Keith for his commitment over 30 years. Round of applause.

President: Antony Constantinidi

Proposed: GVH Seconded: Andrew Barton
Majority vote: carried

Captain: Penny Senior

Proposed: PSond Seconded: IV
Majority vote: carried

CLP was standing down after 4 years. Round of applause.

Secretary: Debbie Blackmore

Proposed: PSond Seconded: PSen
Majority vote: carried

Treasurers: Antony Constantinidi/Julian Sondheimer
Can't break up the dream team!

Proposed: PSen Seconded: CLP
Majority vote: carried

Junior Coordinator: Penny Senior

Proposed: GP Seconded: JS
Majority vote: carried

Beginner's/women's Coordinator: Philippa Sondheimer

Proposed: CLP Seconded: Mary Thorne
Majority vote: carried

Men's Coordinator: None

Veteran/Masters Coordinator: None

Alastair Watson was standing down as safety advisor. Thank you Alastair for your hard work.

Safety Advisor: Ian Vickery

Proposed: Seconded:

Welfare: Shay Brennan

Proposed: PSend Seconded: PSond
Majority vote: carried

Chris Hopper and Veronica Rodriguez were stepping down as general committee members, thank you for all their hard work, round of applause.

Committee Members: Julian Sondheimer, Ian Vickery, Jim Dawson, Chris Brigden, Clair Ponting

Proposed: PSen Seconded: GVH

RL asked if there would be a formal presentation mark the contribution that KS has done for the club. PSond was trying to organise a presidents supper.

16 Election of Vice Presidents

Andrew Barton, Julian Bewick, Chris Blunt, Marcus Brearley, Lionel Cartledge, Janet Cooper, Tony Daniel, Graham Hockley, Chris Hopper, Nick Johnson, Robin Leach, Christopher Levan, Angus Palmer, Geoff Peattie, Rosie Richardson, Simon Richardson, Penny Senior, Philippa Sondheimer, Nick Totman, Keith Trivett, Paula Weeks and Malcolm Wilkins.

PSen proposed that Keith Saunders and Clair Ponting be elected as Vice Presidents.

Keith Saunders Proposed: GVH Seconded: CL
Clair Ponting: Proposed: Mary Thorne Seconded: KT

17 Any Other Business

PSond proposed a vote of thanks to PSen for being an excellent captain. Round of applause.

Thanks to VR for providing the tea and biscuits.

Meeting Closed: 8.50 pm

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

HELD AT AVON ROOM, SALTFORD HALL, SALTFORD

AT 7.30 PM ON FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2011

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting 2010 (circulated by email)
3. Matters Arising
4. Captain's Report (circulated by email)
5. Co-ordinators' Reports (circulated by email)
6. Safety Advisor's Report (circulated by email)
7. Equipment Report (circulated by email)
8. Trustees Report
9. Treasurers Report
10. Adoption of Auditor
11. Boathouse and Surrounds
12. Developments
13. Reports from Avon County Rowing Club Events and Joint Events
14. Membership, Subscriptions and Charges. The Committee proposes an amendment to the classes of subscription for 2011/2012
15. Election of President, Officers and Committee
16. Election of Vice Presidents
17. Any Other Business of which fourteen days notice has been given in writing to the Committee.

Please note that all Members and Vice-Presidents are welcome to attend the AGM but that Donors, Juniors, Temporary and Non-Rowing Members may not Vote.

This Notice together with the Minutes of the 2010 AGM has been circulated by E-mail to all Members with E-mail Addresses. Hard copies have been posted to those Members without E-mail. Copies will also be available on the Night.

Clair Ponting, Secretary

REPORTS TO THE AGM 2011

Captain

The club continues to compete regularly at a wide variety of events at both national, regional and local levels. We have had 13 head and 22 regatta wins this year so not one of our best but respectable and similar to last year, and includes a novice win for our adult women at Llandaff regatta and our Master F 4- completing a triple of wins at the Veteran fours head, British Rowing Masters Championships and Henley Veterans Regatta. Both Wycliffe Heads were cancelled this year which didn't help the head win tally.

Cox recruitment continues to be an issue at the club, with most crews being coxed by other rowers. Several members attended the coxing talk in November but they were all existing oarsmen. The club now has a clear sign on the road – this has helped significantly with directing new members to the site!

Six concept 2 and two row perfect ergos now live in the clubroom. They have all been serviced and were used extensively during the winter by all sections of the club particularly the juniors and mens sections. In order to facilitate this, the external lighting for the site has been improved so that there are now lights in the car park and down the side of the boathouse. Circuit training was consistently poorly attended and will not be continued this year.

Several boats have been repaired or refurbished this year – we received a £2000 grant to improve the junior Project Oarsome boats – a significant amount of this was used to respray Crabbe as well as mend minor (but unsightly) damage to other boats. Jess has been mended and is now in use, Derek Roy (4+) has been treated to a new set of seats and several boats have received new shoes throughout the year. We have also bought 7 new life jacket to replace the aged ones we had. Get Smart has had a new shoulder.

Several members took the Level 2 coaching award and Andrew Havers, Lizzie Land, James Camp, Helen Chim and Emily Burke (nee Hopper) have all passed. Andrew Havers and Lizzie Land have also passed their RYA Level 2 powerboat driving course.

There has been a lot of tidying done this year, both in the boathouse and outside. The back cupboard upstairs has been cleared (yielding 5 lock keys and some tea that went out of date in 1991) and the abandoned clothing that littered the club upstairs and down has been removed. Outside, we joined with UBBC to clear the site downstream of the UBBC 'ladies' boathouse and beside the car park of brambles etc. If the development goes ahead, this is where the new boathouse will be situated as well as on the area we already occupy.

Although we did not send a crew to the womens Head, Robin Leach (womens 8o) did race as we lent it to Bristol Ariel for the event and City of Bristol RC borrowed Penny Senior (mens 8o) for Hammersmith Head. Bath Boys Brigade have used our pontoons for 2 evenings during the summer in order to run canoeing sessions for their members. Three crews had ACRC members in them at the Vet 8's Head.

2011 was the inaugural year of the Saltford Festival – we were involved, laying on ergo and taster sessions during the festival. This will probably develop and might turn into a useful recruitment tool, and a possible pubs and clubs competition.

We have changed the locks for the gates to the site this year – a significant undertaking now as the site has so many users. We continue to be the target for vandalism attacks – including one of our launches being stolen from the marina (where it lives) and being taken over the weir. Luckily for us, someone tied it to the bank by the Shallows and it was unharmed. The middle raft has also been cut free and had to be retrieved. Judging by the damage sustained, whoever did this had come prepared for the job with significant tools.

The club is now part of the National Learn to Row scheme and has already started to run courses for beginners.

Thanks to everyone who has helped with the club this year – committee members, club members, parents of juniors, partners and friends.

Avon County Rowing Club Results September 2010 – August 2011

Upton Primary Regatta

N 4+ - Simon Rodway, James Camp, Jack Dobson, Scott Brown, Sophie Lemoine.

Monkton Bluefriars Head

N 4+ Scott Brown, Jack Dobson, Jo-Paul Gotts, Simon Rodway, Sophie Lemoine

J14 2X James Bridges, Owen Baker

J16 1X Elliott Raine

WJ13 2X Becky Harrison, Ellie Hawking

Vet Fours Head

Mas F 4- Chris, Antony, Jim, Derek

Wallingford Head

Mas F 4- Chris, Antony, Jim, Derek

Avon County Head

Mas E 1X Nick Dolman

WJ15 1X Shannon Halliwell

WJ16 2X Shannon Halliwell, Lillie Burton

WJ15 4X+ Shannon Halliwell, Sophie Jones, Livvy Moorey, Abi Scarr

J14 2X Owen Baker, James Bridges

Junior Sculling Head

J14 4X+ 12th & 41st (out of 46)

WJ15 4X+ 19th (out of 36)

WJ16 4X- 15th (out of 16th)

JIRR

J14 2X – 5th

WJ15 4X+ - 5th (composite with HAB)

WJ16 8o – 5th (composite with HAB/ SWA)

Great Western head

WJ171X Shannon Halliwell
WN 1X Shannon Halliwell

Great Western Regatta

J14 4X+
O 2- Simon Rodway, Ashley Mander

Bristol-Avon @ Saltford

Clifton-Avon Challenge Sculls - Owen Baker & James Bridges
WJ14 2X – Lucy Halliwell & Ellie Hawking
WJ14 1X – Ellie Hawking
Mxd N 2X – Georgie Thomas & Elliott Raine

National Schools

Bronze J14 2X - Owen Baker & James Bridges

Thames Valley Park Regatta

WJ16 1X – Shannon Halliwell
WJ15 1X - Shannon Halliwell

British Masters Champs

Vet F 4- Chris Brigden, Antony Constantinidi, Jim Dawson, Derek Walker
Mas F 4- Chris Brigden, Antony Constantinidi, Jim Dawson, Derek Walker

Henley Masters

Vet F 4- Chris Brigden, Antony Constantinidi, Jim Dawson, Derek Walker

Llandaff

J14 2X James Bridges, Owen Baker

Llandaff Sprint

WIM3 4+ Hannah Amesbury, Parveen Jones, Georgie Thomas, Lillie Burton, Becky Kwo
WN 4+ Jessie Dolman, Yasmin Rahimi, Nikki Cameron, Alice Jefferies, Tony Daniel
WJ16 4X- Georgie Thomas, Sophie Jones, Lillie Burton, Shannon Halliwell
WJ15 1X Shannon Halliwell
J16 1X Elliott Raine
J14 2X James Bridges, Owen Baker
J14 1X Owen Baker

British Rowing Champs

Our 3 crews (WJ15 1X, J16 1X and J14 2X) were all 4th in their semi finals (where the first 3 crews progressed to the final).

Bewdley Sprint

WJ16 4X- Hannah Amesbury, Livvy Moorey, Lillie Burton, Rachel King
J16 1X Elliott Raine

Women's Co-ordinator

Vets

A quad (Philippa, Di, Gillian and Kath) raced in the Vet Fours Head in November. An eight (Penny, Philippa, Sal, Polly, Di, Gillian, Helen and Debbie coxed by Julian) raced at Vesta Masters. It enjoyed itself but came an undistinguished 10th out of 12 in Vet C. Debbie and Philippa raced in the Head of the Dart in a VetG eight with Bradford and got extremely wet but had fun. Came 3rd in the eights (not last!) but rather a way behind the first two!

Women's daytime sculling has established itself on Tuesdays and Thursdays – four or five regulars.

Seniors

At Monkton Head in October 2010 a women's novice four (Debbie, Alice, Charlotte and Hannah H) coxed by Tony and an IM2 Four (Sal, Ali, Di and Polly) competed. Times were respectable, and both crews reported enjoyable races.

Tony's crew morphed into Alice, Nikki, Yasmin and JessieD following the departure of Paula and HannahH. Coxed by Tony, they raced in W N 4+ at Bristol Avon but lost in the first round to the eventual winners.

But congratulations to the same crew for their win at Llandaff in July and their progression to IM3. Contrary to what appeared in the draw, this turned out to be a three-boat event and the ACRC crew won two convincing races. As Yasmin had only started her rowing at a taster session in an icy tank on 5th December 2010, this was a particularly noteworthy achievement. All thanks to Tony.

Coaching and next steps

It would be good to get a Level 2 candidate who needs a crew to coach one of the new crews. Various options have been tried but none have so far succeeded.

We held a meeting in July to see what people wanted to do and the outcome was as follows:

- It is not yet clear what will happen to IM3 rowers crew as some members will be leaving the crew and we have few IM3 senior women.
- We hope to :
 - organise an experienced novice crew to race in heads over the winter.
 - enter two beginner crews in the Upton primary regatta. There will certainly be one women's crew but to give the other women a row, it might become necessary to import a man.
 - inspire the Upton crews to go on to race at Monkton and beyond.

Novice

Enquiries, taster sessions and club members

Between August 2010 and July 2011 the statistics have been as follows:

Enquiries (mostly beginners)	89
Booked onto taster sessions	66
Attended taster sessions	59
Continued after tasters	22
Still with us!	13 (8 women, 5 men)(and of whom 8 are very recent)

Next Steps

Up until now our approach has been to take people on taster sessions as soon as they appear and, if they want to keep going, to ask them for one month's membership and keep gently coaching them, mostly in an eight, until it seems reasonable to ask them to pay full membership.

This is nice and inclusive but does mean that the continual drip feed of beginners makes it difficult to make progress, develop cohorts and arrange men's and women's crews. We have recently become an accredited Learn To Row Club, running the National Learn to Row Programme. The National LTR Programme defines a set of outputs for each beginner to achieve, from the basic "understands the difference between sculling and rowing" to "can row a boat maintaining correct rhythm and ratio" and, interestingly, "is able to steer a boat and issue appropriate commands".

After much consideration, it has been decided that we shall now standardise on the following modules, appearing on the website:

Sculling and Safety – price £10 plus Explore Rowing T shirt - A weekend course (about 10 hours in total) offering an introduction to sculling (rowing with two oars in a one-person boat) and safety

Sweep Rowing – price £10 plus Explore Rowing T shirt - Six sessions - 1 classroom session covering equipment etc and five rowing sessions, including video coaching and feedback and practising a set of exercises designed to improve rowing technique .

Coxing – free - classroom and tank sessions and coxing practice with an experienced crew

Capsize drill — small fee for use of pool – swim test and capsize practice
 Beginners will be offered two free taster sessions and then asked to become members of ACRC and silver members of British Rowing before signing up for the courses.
 It remains to be seen whether this attracts or deters potential beginners.

Junior Coordinator Report

The club continues to maintain a large junior membership. Over 30 new juniors have tried sculling this year and most of these have joined the club with some looking forwards to their first race at Monkton Bluefriars Head in October. In addition, twenty two Wellsway pupils attended a sculling taster day in July.

We have had more coaching help with the juniors this year – particularly from the current Year 12s who were fantastic at helping to teach our many beginners. We also have a couple of ex-juniors who come along and help when they can, and several parents who help regularly. We have also run a number of Junior Sculling camps during school holidays.

In racing terms, the highlight of the year has to be our bronze medal at National Schools Regatta for J14 2X for Owen Baker and James Bridges but there were also many other successful juniors and the clubs wins continue to be mainly provided by the junior section.

Men's

To follow

Safety Report

1. Incident Log - Serious Incidents

A serious incident is one where there is personal injury or serious equipment damage (over £100 estimated). These are now logged on the BR website. Anyone can record an incident this way – anonymously, if they so desire.

There has been one serious incident in the period of this report. This was a collision between an ACRC Masters F 4- and a Minerva/World Class Start 1x. The sculler was out of his water and cutting a corner. The 4- was at full racing pace just prior to the collision. The sculling boat was damaged by contact with an oar from the 4-. The sculler disputes that he was out of his water.

This incident further underlines the necessity to keep to the correct side of the river at all times, even in the early morning on a weekday, when it is usually quiet.

2. Incident Log - Recordable Incidents

Number of Recordable incidents in Incident Log and reported to BR

Type of incident	<u>Sep 07 to Aug 08</u>	<u>Sep 08 to Aug 09</u>	<u>Sep 09 to Aug 10</u>	<u>Sep 10 to Aug 11</u>
Capsize through incompetence	18	11	13	10
Capsize through collision with moving object	3	2	0	0
Capsize through collision with static object	1	0	0	0

Capsize due to equipment failure	0	0	0	1
Collision with static object – no damage	0	0	0	0
Collision with static object – minor damage/injury	2	1	1	0
Collision with moving object – no damage	1	4	3	3
Collision with moving object – minor damage/injury	3	0	0	1
Near miss with moving object	0	1	0	1
Other (slips on rafts, bruising, strains, etc)	4	1	0	2
Total recordable	32	20	17	18

This year's incidents were comparable to last year's, although collisions and near collisions have increased a little. The river is very busy at peak times on weekend mornings and there is a clear need to coordinate with the other rowing clubs to ensure all crews stick to an agreed circulation pattern, do not overtake/race side-by side when it is not clear ahead and always keep to the correct side of the river.

The numbers, above, do not include incidents during events – Head and BAR.

3. Events run by Avon County

There were 3 incidents at the Avon County Head Race. A double and a single capsized due to inexperience, and two eights clashed before the railway bridge, with one breaking an oar on the bridge stanchion. All incidents were promptly dealt with. Overall, the race was run safely, with no major problems.

3 minor incidents were reported to British Rowing by the Regatta Safety Advisor for the Bristol Avon Regatta (BAR). The event was safely managed.

3. Risk Assessment

The ACRC Risk Assessment was further developed and agreed by the Management Committee. This will be reviewed and revised periodically.

4. Water Safety Plan

A draft Water Safety Plan is being prepared, as required by British Rowing safety policies – Row Safe. This is in an early stage of development, and will be passed on to the new ACRC Water Safety Adviser to complete and gain approval by the Management Committee.

5. External and BR

This Annual Safety Audit was completed in the new form of a gap analysis. ACRC were not compliant in a number of areas. This does not mean that the Club has unsafe practices, but does reflect the fact that we do not record and document things as well as we should. This would be critical if we were to have a serious accident. A plan to comply was drawn up early in 2011 and several areas have now been addressed.

6. ACRC Water Safety Adviser

The current ACRC Water Safety Adviser will be resigning at this year's AGM, after 3 years in the job. It is hoped that someone will come forward and volunteer to take on this responsibility. A full handover will be given, with ongoing support, when necessary.

Alastair Watson
ACRC Water Safety Adviser
20th September 2011

Accounts

In attached pdf format

Events

Head

The 43rd annual ACRC Head of the River Race 2011 was held at Saltford on 5 March. We continued our policy of running the day in a firm and efficient but friendly manner which is much appreciated by visiting coaches. We were again lucky with the weather and conditions on the water, which all combined to give a superb day's racing.

We must be doing something right because we received an all-time record entry of 308 crews for the long course and in addition 80 crews for the short course which is for novice and inexperienced rowers. This was about one third up on the 2010 race, which itself was a record. Competitors ranged right through Juniors, Women and Men, to Masters racing in all boat types from sculls to eights in 3 long and 2 short course divisions.

Further important improvements were made to fine-tune the Entries, Timing and Results systems, which meant that we were able to handle the huge entry and get the results out very shortly after the last crew had crossed the finish line. On the river, we installed an additional temporary raft to enable scullers, doubles and pairs to launch from the steps in the field upstream of the Clubhouse. Our thanks go to Darrell Pickup of Saltford Marina for letting us use his field.

Thanks are also due to the ACRC organizing committee, the visiting officials and lifesavers, and the many, many helpers who cheerfully gave their time on the water, on the bank and in the canteen to make the day such a success.

Financially, income at £7691 was up by 44% on 2010. The costs rose by 35% after writing off our stock of buoys and anchors and the hire of the temporary raft. This generated an excellent profit for the Club of £4756, itself a record and 50% up on 2010. In addition, Café Avon made a profit of £700 for the sale of food and refreshments on the day, which is not included in the Head of the River accounts.

The prize medals were presented by ACRC President Keith Saunders.

The Head of the River Committee is delighted and proud to be able to transfer £9000 of HOR accumulated profits to ACRC Club resources to help kick start the fund raising for the new boathouse development.

The 2012 ACRC Head of the River will be held on Saturday 25 February, a week earlier than usual due to changes in British Rowing's racing calendar. This date does not conflict with school half term holidays. We shall be contacting all our helpers after Christmas and seeking new volunteers who will be especially welcome.

Jim Dawson
Chairman and Race Manager
Avon County Rowing Club Head of the River Race

AVON COUNTY ROWING CLUB**BALANCE SHEET****as at 31st March 2011**

(unaudited)

31-Mar-10 31-Mar-11

£	FIXED ASSETS	£	£
	30,996 Boats and Blades		25,007
	1,402 Project Oarsome Equipment		1,122
	384 Security system		307
	368 External assets (pontoons, hard standing etc)		294
	877 Side boathouse refurbishment		702
	<u>34,027</u>		<u>27,432</u>

CURRENT ASSETS

	12,123 HSBC current accounts	18,768	
	945 HSBC deposit account	945	
	6,552 CAF Gold account	34,915	
	20,131 CAF Time Deposit	-	
	3,122 Stock	4,124	
	<u>3,652 Debtors</u>	<u>4,064</u>	
	46,524	62,816	
	(2,364) less: Creditors (routine)	(3,575)	
	(930) Creditors (grants not yet spent) *	(1,922)	
	- Creditors & provision (site development)	(7,203)	
	<u>(1,500) Creditors (ACRC Head)</u>	<u>(4,500)</u>	
	(4,793)	(17,200)	

41,731 NET CURRENT ASSETS 45,617

75,758 73,049

Represented by:

	64,388 Unrestricted Fund	61,856
	7,390 Grants not yet released to income account *	5,912
	<u>3,980 Restricted Fund **</u>	<u>5,280</u>
	75,758	73,049

* See Note 3 (grants analysis) for a note about the treatment of grants in the accounts

** Funds generated by Head, Regatta and 100 Club, not to be used for general expenditure 2,000 is from Head Committee and can be spent only by agreement with the Head Committee

Based on the records produced to me, the Income & Expenditure Account and Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2011 are in agreement with the accounting records kept by the Club.

C J Levan Dated:

DESIGNATED FUNDS

The Club Committee has determined that the balance sheet total should be divided into designated funds:

Assets used for normal day-to-day rowing club operation:

34,027	Fixed assets	27,432
5,000	Working capital	5,000
3,000	Kit stock	3,000
42,027		35,432
	Reserves for specific purposes:	
5,000	Opportunistic boat purchases	5,000
<u>2,500</u>	<u>Contingencies</u>	<u>2,500</u>
	Reserves available for development:	
3,980	Restricted	5,280
22,250	Unrestricted	24,836
75,758		73,049

AVON COUNTY ROWING CLUB
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

for the Year ended 31st March 2011

(unaudited)

Year 31-Mar-10	Year 31-Mar-11
£	£
INCOME	
18,780 Subscriptions from active members	19,984
889 Donations	531
- Sponsorship	
1,847 Grants recognised as spent	3,085
<i>(see Note 3: Grants analysis)</i>	
- Oldfield School Coaching	
600 Subscriptions from members of associated clubs	600
624 Boat storage fees	682
312 Learn to Row courses	390
300 100 Club profit	300
1,000 Dividends from Head & Regatta	1,000
154 Bank Interest	206
916 Profit on catering at events	1,015
36 Profit / (loss) on gymnasium and pool	(93)
96 Profit / (loss) on clothing	267
25,554	27,966
EXPENDITURE	
320 Rates and Water	327
926 Maintenance of premises	633
1,012 Security, Electricity & Telephone	1,611
2,778 Insurance - boats	2,805
1,857 Insurance - other	2,003
500 Insurance excesses	
3,993 Boat maintenance	5,412
8,494 Depreciation and write offs	6,845
1,757 Marina mooring charges, launch fuel & repairs	1,717
13 Coaching course fees and costs	38
784 British Rowing and BWB fees	814
64 Administration costs	62
106 Web Site & Publicity	127
(137) Regatta entry fees not recovered	62
33 Regatta travel costs not recovered	42
- Elite support	
- Stock of old kit written off	
- Debt provision	
- Loss / (profit) on social events	
- Boat collection	
- Repairs to towing vehicle	700
22,501	23,198
3,053 Profit / (Loss) before exceptional items	4,769
EXCEPTIONAL ITEMS	
- Site development	6,000
3,053 Profit / (Loss) after exceptional items	(1,231)

NOTE 1 MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS

Year 31-Mar-10	Year 31-Mar-11
	£
<i>Unrestricted Fund:</i>	
2,093 From Profit/(Loss)	(2,531)
<i>Grants spent but not yet released to income account:</i>	
1,237 Grants spent	1,607
(1,847) Grants released to income account	(3,085)
(610)	(1,478)
<i>Restricted Fund:</i>	
960 From Profit / (Loss)	1,300

NOTE 2 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE

	Year 31-Mar-11
	£
Buoyancy aids	250
	-
	250

NOTE 3 GRANTS ANALYSIS

A grant which is spent on a capital item is brought into the income account over a period of years, on the same profile as the associated depreciation. Until a grant is spent, it is shown as a creditor in the accounts.

31-Mar-09				31-Mar-10				31-Mar-11			
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unspent (b/f)	Awarded in year	Spent in year	Unspent (c/f)	Unspent (b/f)	Awarded in year	Spent in year	Unspent (c/f)	Unspent (b/f)	Awarded in year	Spent in year	Unspent (c/f)
330	-	-	330 Sport England Awards for All (£5,000 2006) - Sport England Awards for All (£10,000 2008)	330	-	-	330	330	-	-	330
337	-	-	337 Coaching Awards	337	-	-	337	337	-	-	337
1,500	-	1,237	British Rowing Oarsome Refurb grant (£2,000 2010) 263 BANES "Sports Unlimited" Award (£1,500 2008) BANES "Sports Unlimited" Award (£600 2010)	263	2,000	1,607	263	263	2,000	1,607	263
					600	-			600	-	600
2,167	-	1,237	930 TOTAL - ALL GRANTS	930	2,600	1,607	930	930	2,600	1,607	1,922

31-Mar-09				31-Mar-10				31-Mar-11			
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Unrecognised (b/f)	Spent in year	Recognised in year	Unrecognised (c/f)	Unrecognised (b/f)	Spent in year	Recognised in year	Unrecognised (c/f)	Unrecognised (b/f)	Spent in year	Recognised in year	Unrecognised (c/f)
8,000	-	1,600	- Sport England Awards for All (£5,000 2006) 6,400 Sport England Awards for All (£10,000 2008) - Coaching Awards	6,400	-	1,280	6,400	6,400	-	-	5,120
-	1,237	247	British Rowing Oarsome Refurb grant (£2,000 2010) 990 BANES "Sports Unlimited" Award (£1,500 2008) BANES "Sports Unlimited" Award (£600 2010)	990	1,607	1,607	990	990	1,607	1,607	792
8,000	1,237	1,847	7,390 TOTAL - ALL GRANTS	7,390	1,607	3,085	7,390	7,390	1,607	3,085	5,912