

## **Northern Rowing Council - meeting of Executive – 29 January 2018**

### **Report of Events Coordinator**

#### **LDS autumn series 2017 and other competitions since last Exec**

The LDS programme for 2017 lost two events to bad weather, Berwick and Tyne. I note Richard Mortimer has provided some stats in order to start analysing finish times with a view to amending start orders as the series progresses. Durham Autumn Sprint Regatta, Rutherford Head and Tyne United New Years Head have run successfully, Rutherford oversubscribed within days. Durham SBH and Tyne Head are imminent

#### **Competition Programme for 2018-19**

There have been no amendments to the calendar for 2018-19 for this region's events. York City RC changed the date of their summer regatta to Sunday 24 June 2018, the day after Tyne Regatta, to avoid a clash with Nat Masters (without telling us). When I found out I asked Tyne ARC to discuss and they came back with no objection (they are looking at ideas for their regatta which might appeal to a different audience). An application (ultimately to BR) from Cambois RC to run the Wansbeck SBH directly is still being processed by me – some details are still awaited.

#### **Explore Series 2017 & 2018**

Colin Lawson has reported on this. Dates and the revised rules (nearly in agreed internally) for 2018 are at [www.nerowing.com/sundays.html](http://www.nerowing.com/sundays.html) and will be publicised shortly.

#### **Great Tyne Row – 2 September 2017**

The steering group has not met since the event, but there has been some correspondence by email. I suggested that we did not run the event in 2018, primarily as the only suitable tides are on unsuitable days, but also because some members of the team are not available, without adverse reaction. A 'skiff armada' is proposed by Craster CRC from Scotswood to Tynemouth on a good tide day in July and I have offered assistance as necessary with paperwork.

The GTR bank account has £1345.18 in it, with liabilities of £900 that I am aware of (plus a small amount upcoming for web site hosting), so the event is in a healthy state financially. I still cannot provide a precise account for 2017 as I am awaiting information from the Secretary and the Treasurer.

**It is recommended that the Exec agree that the GTR does not proceed in 2018 but the steering group be revived in late 2018 to organise one in 2019, possibly on Sunday 8 September.**

#### **Other events news**

I understand that the tenders to run BUCS 4s & 8s Head 2019 onwards (including one for the Tyne) are still being considered by BUCS. The Durham vs Newcastle University Boat Race is to be on Saturday 17 March. I await news of the date for the Club Development Conference and will then facilitate a session on events, focussing on regattas.