



Northern Region Meeting

At Tyne Rowing Club, 21st March 2016

Present: - Charly Curtis (Vice - Chairman), Pamela Walton (Secretary), James Andrews (British Rowing Area Participation Manager), John Mulholland (Water Safety), Phil Tully (Education, late arrival 8pm), Gilliam Latham (para rowing rep), Carol Singleton (Masters & Competition Rep), Steven Thompson, Eddie Bryant, Colin Percy (Events and Calendar), Pauline Higgins (Junior Commissioner).

Apologies: - Michael Laing (Chairman), Barbara Millns (Regional Rep), Peter Hoare (Umpires), Alan Granlund (Treasurer), Gabrielle Moore (Recreational Rowing Rep)

The whole group would like to register support for Michael Laing who is currently supporting his wife.

Coaches survey is to be re done and done regionally.

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1	Mins of last meeting 25 th Jan 2016, take the e out of charley, agreed as correct and seconded by Gillian Lathan and Pauline Higgins.	
	Matters Arising. Lakeland are now in the Northern Region. Also new rowing club called Lakeland based at Keswick and Windermere based on Windermere at Fellfoot.	
2	<u>Gillian Lathan represented NR at Council in absence of Michael and Charly.</u> Discussion as to membership proposals, looking at the levels with a free level for Volunteers, also looking at a race pass i.e. 3 races this would be aimed at people only joining to take part in specific events. The council then looked at perks with membership, then went into depth regarding the insurance supplied by B.R. membership. Registration will raise by 1%, Gold to £55, Students £34, Silver to ?? . Looking at differing costings to engage all people involved with rowing to be a British Rowing member.	



<p>There is a new policy re transgender which can be supplied by Gillian Latham.</p> <p>Sponsorship was also brought with regard to the National Watersports centre(Nottingham) who have brought their charges into line with Dorney (Eton). The effect this will have on all regions will be a further £600 to be paid for National Schools. The group voiced the concern that Dorney is not practical for a large proportion of Northern Clubs.</p> <p>Para rowing report (Gillian Latham) – as per report on NRC Website.</p> <p><u>Barbara Millns (as per report on website)</u></p> <p>Are the NRC to still continue with the grant fund? Group agreed to this which was seconded by John Mulholland and Charly Curtis, £6K subject to ratification by Alan Granlund (Treasurer).</p> <p>Carol to administer the grant fund and still email around the sub group concerned for the grant fund to get agreement, for every application.</p> <p>James Andrews – as per report on NRC website.</p> <p>Brian Smith, British Rowing, passed away earlier this year very suddenly.</p> <p>Proposed Club Development Conference 20th February 2017.</p> <p>Junior Skills day – Tees went ahead but Durham was cancelled.</p> <p>Touring.</p> <p>Sunderland are to do one, Tees to be encouraged (Gillian Latham to pursue) Gateshead to do one.</p> <p>2nd April Club Welfare Officer Day – Free of Charge.</p> <p>Open to Club Welfare Officer and members of the committee. James Andrews</p>	<p>All</p> <p>AG</p> <p>Carol</p> <p>GL/GM</p> <p>CP website</p>
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<p>John Mulholland – Water Safety Rep. (Report on NRC website)</p>	<p>All Clubs Email and website</p>
<p>Storm Desmond has changed the course of the river at Hexham, could all clubs please re visit risk assessments. There is also an events guide handbook to go with the new event safety brief.</p>	
<p>Also went into new rules re lift of heel on shoes, at present is a cocktail stick, these changes mean differing things to different size of shoe. James Andrews asked John Mulholland could a prompt sheet be designed. Could anyone around the region suggest better ways of communicating with clubs on the subject of safety, please email John Mulholland.</p>	<p>JM</p>
<p>To bring to the attention of the region re. substitution of crew members at all events and the implications to the whole crew. Can still substitute up to 100% of the crew up to the final closing date, then after the closing date only 50% but this must be notified to race officials before the day of racing.</p>	<p>Group</p>
<p>Pauline Higgins – Junior Commissioner (Report NRC website)</p>	<p>CP/Website</p>
<p>Only remaining event to be is the ladies 8, Pauline is in contact with Yarm. Ponteland Head really good day, juniors were really well behaved, very polite and knew what was expected of them (John Mulholland). Ideal chance for new to the sport to have a go at racing.</p>	
<p>NRC singles, decided to change system to leave them out at clubs and not bring them back for sculling camp, the ones that will move will be the 2nd boats that clubs have. Gateshead to be invoiced for half a year as they only collected it at Ponteland Head.</p>	<p>PH/AG CP to website.</p>
<p>Recreational Rowing – Gabrielle Moore - Report on NRC Website)</p>	
<p>Carol Singleton –Masters</p>	
<p>Next meeting on 8th April in Nottingham which Carol is to attend.</p>	<p>CS</p>
<p>Phil Tully Coaching – As NRC Website</p>	
<p>All members competing must bring their B.R. card with them to</p>	<p>CP Website</p>



<p>events. The group raised the concern that this will be a nightmare to event organisers. All coaches must be insured and clubs need to check that coaches are insured, if income is over £25k coaches will have to have their own insurance.</p>	
<p>Coaches to make sure they are registered with British Rowing.</p>	
<p>Clean Sport – Anti Doping</p>	
<p>20 tutors being trained being coaches, parents of juniors and younger seniors. Courses are free and coaches are liable for their athletes both the athlete and coach could be banned from all sport.</p>	
<p>A lot more courses online with icoaching. A lot more online resources is on the new website.</p>	
<p>Colin Percy – Competitions (As per NRC website)</p>	All
<p>Meeting at London, new events to be encouraged and a group to work between national competitions committee and regions in future.</p>	
<p>Timetable still unclear as to bringing into practice for new points system, suggestion to bring trials re the point system but this is still unclear.</p>	Schools
<p>Suggestion that the calendar is not up to date for British Rowing website.</p>	
<p>Calendar for 2017/18 means to resolve clash between Tyne/Tees to be resolved.</p>	CP & CL
<p>Newcastle University hoping to do a single sculler heads race, the 10th September 2016. Colin has been promised a A4 report, which is still to come, when he has this he will circulate it amongst all the events in the region, it is aimed at all performance athletes. Limiting factor will be availability of equipment.</p>	CP
<p>Anything to be put onto NR website please send to Colin Percy. Sunday League is</p>	ALL
<p>GTR – Saturday 27th August 2017.</p>	



<p>Alan Granlund would like the GNR to have its own bank account, any profit and loss to be transferred to N.R.C. Once GNR have own bank account to report back to NRC.</p> <p>Chairman — see report on NRC.</p> <p>Tyne to be one weekend and BUCS weekend the next weekend. Charly Curtis compliment all students at BUCS head on their behaviour. Michael raised the question?</p> <p>Disciplinary action within clubs, it is extremely important that when dealing with disciplinary should be documented and minute, an audit trail is important.</p>	<p>CP/AG</p> <p>To be emailed to chairs and secretary's</p> <p>CP to all club Secs.</p>
<p>Correspondence</p> <p>None</p>	
<p><u>Any other business.</u></p> <p>Junior Rowing.</p> <p>Wade Hall-Crags suggested that one girl and boy, FOC on the sculling camp, 1st week 11 – 14 year olds and 2nd week 15 – 18year olds. Discussion then ensued as to how to select young people. Clubs to nominate through a criteria form.</p> <p>Principals for selection for Junior Inter Regional, support of committee re the way we do this in future. Current principal is by part of participation, doubling up is not allowed, does the Northern Regions continue with this? Does the selection go by you race, you win and then you are selected? JM to ask Junior Interregional to stop doubling up and deal with participation. For future stay with same proposal, anyone wanting to submit a different model to support to the next meeting.</p> <p>An idea for conference to have all club coaches sat down to agree the selection procedure.</p> <p>Formulae Rowing (powerpoint presentation to be uploaded to NRC with other reports.)</p>	<p>PH</p> <p>All</p>



	<p>19th June proposed date for an event. A brief outline of what is involved with formulae, all boats can be altered to take part in this. Rules of racing rule 114, the firm has already met with British Rowing to ok. To get British Rowing to sanction the event. Open to all clubs, one men's and one women's 4+- per club. Everything to carry out an event can be fitted into a 20ft race container. Question raised could this concept work for para rowers and specifically boats fitted with scullies? Yes, this would work also.</p> <p>Company would love to be part of British Rowing, Colin Percy asking for clarity. Important to get Helen (British Rowing) to arrange dispensation for the first event. Suggested put forward to next board meeting on 11th April 2016. Video has been shared with facebook already.</p>	<p>CP</p> <p>James/ Tom</p>
	<p><u>Dates of next meetings</u></p> <p>27 Jun 2016 (Durham), 19 September 2016 (Tyne) The AGM will be on 28 Nov 2016</p>	

Meeting closed at 9.55pm