



Hinckley Canoe Club

HCC AGM 2015 Minutes 20th March 2015

Welcome to the Hinckley canoe club 2015 AGM, its great to see so many members here this evening, hopefully you will stay for a chat and a beer and we have provided some food for later.

Apologies

Phil Riley, Paul and Noah Morgan and Gordon Chadwick.

Confirm 2014 AGM minutes Accepted

Chairmans report

It's been a very good and busy year for the club, with lots of daytrips, weekends away, events and courses going on, Penny will tell us more about these later. As most of you know we moved here to Stanton Lakes in April 2014 and think you will probably agree it was a great move for HCC with the size of the lake, better facilities, improved environment and has helped the club membership grow to a record high, Dave will tell us about this later. In July we had the Open day which was a massive success with lots of visitors and paddlers joining us for the various events that we put on. This promoted the club in the East Midlands region (we even got a mention in canoe focus) and also promoted Stanton Lakes as a great venue at the same time, we are doing the same this year on Saturday 4th July. The coaching courses and lake sessions over the season went really well and were extremely popular. With 25 members achieving star awards including 4 x 3* awards. Well done to all of you and very well deserved, also a big thank you to all the coaches and helpers on and off the water and Hayley Clarke for organising and overseeing all the coaching. It was great to see so many social paddlers on the water and non paddlers popping down to join us on a Thursday evening. Since the last AGM we have had 5 members become UKCC level 1 coaches, these are Martin and Sam Stretton, Row Bashforth and just two weeks ago Dave Garland and Neil Smith, this is a great achievement, welcome to the coaching team guys. The biggest achievement this year goes to Penny Spooner for passing her 5* leader open canoe assessment last weekend, for the one's that don't know, this is the highest level, in what I consider to be one of the hardest disciplines in paddlesport. We have recently received reaccreditation of Sport England Clubmark award, this proves that we are ticking all the right boxes as a club and will hopefully help HCC grow again this coming year. We have submitted a grant application to Sport England for £10,000 to purchase open canoes, crossover kayaks and all the kit to go with them. Also to help fund a level 2 coach and 4* training for two current trip leaders. This is to help us run more trips with better kit for

members and higher qualified trip leaders, we are still waiting to hear if we have been successful. This coming year there will be plenty to keep everyone busy, so keep an eye on the website and facebook page. Lastly I'd like to thank all the committee, coaches, trip leaders and helpers for all the time and work you have put in and to all the members for your commitment and enthusiasm over the year Constitution Changes 2015 This year we would like to put two constitution changes forward for the members to vote on at the AGM

1. Concerning the chairman's post on the committee section 9.19. The constitution states it is a 2 year post, we would like to change this to read, a minimum of 2 years. This would enable a current chairman to be re-elected without committing to a further 2 years.
2. Currently all committee members pay subscription's to the club, other local clubs (Leamington, HPP, Rugby and more) give free membership to committee members. This is a way of showing the clubs appreciation for the work carried out behind the scenes on behalf of the members. We (the committee) feel that rather than automatically getting free membership, we would like to introduce free membership retrospectively for the previous year's work. In addition to this we would like to have the option to issue free membership to members (max 3) in recognition of the services they have provided to the club over the previous year. Both the above changes were voted on and accepted.

Treasurers Report

We are in the black. With the pool sessions making a good profit. Expenditure - £5,989
Income - £7,972 Surplus for the year £1,98

Programme coordinators report

Numerous trips on flat water and white water have given us a very full programme.

Membership Secretaries report

As of this meeting we have 117 members.

Awards

Most improved junior Alice Smith
Most improved Female Kat Smith
Most improved Male Micheal Ward
Golden Paddle Mark and Ross
Rubber Duck Martin Cattell Aylwyn Barton Rob Harrison
Hayley Clarke
Best intended swim Dale Clarke
Alicia Keys....(peeing on car keys) Jonny Bennett

Committee Election ROLE NOMINATION

Chairman (2yr role) Dave Clarke
Vice chairman\equipment officer Phil Riley
Paddlesport development officer\junior coordinator Hayley Clarke
Treasurer Lesley March
Secretery\Clubmark Wendy Kendell
Programme coordinator Penny Spooner
Membership\Volunteer coordinator Dave Garland
Communications officer Martin Walker

General Rep Martin Stretton

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Hcc clothing available to order –

All star courses to be booked onto and paid for in advance –

Date for open day will be Saturday 4th July

Meeting closed 20.35pm