



BRITISH CANOEING SPRINT RACING COMMITTEE

DATE: Monday 8th November 2021

TIME: 20.00. Zoom On-line meeting

Attending:

Committee Tim Scott [TS] (Chair), Cathy Wynne [CW], Hannah Brown [HB], Ian Wynne [IW], members:

Malcolm Johnson [MJ], Paul Dimmock [PD], Peter Gorman [PG] Philip Miles [PM],

Margaret Chapman [MC] SCA Rep & Tom Power [TP] CanW Rep.

Visitors Anna Gray [AG] (BC)

Item No: Minutes

Tim informed the meeting that sadly John Ball had died suddenly last week. He will be hugely missed at the national regattas, having supplied the technical knowledge and expertise for the HPP timing, photo finish, and results systems for over 25 years. His calm and resourceful presence is a massive loss. As a mark of respect and in memory of John Ball, TS proposed a donation of £100 be made on behalf of the SRC and the RC to the Skegness RNLI, as requested by John's family. **Agreed ACTION LC+CW**

- 1 **Apologies:** Louise Clive [LC], Alice Murphy [AM]
- 2 **Declaration of Interests:** Three more annual declaration forms have been completed.
- 3 Approval of SRC Minutes for 11th October:

The Chair proposed the minutes be approved as no comments or changes have been requested.

Agreed

- 4 Matters arising from SRC Minutes not on the agenda: None raised
- 5 Review draft ACM 29th September minutes- Held over to next meeting.
- 6 **Chair's Report: TS –** written report circulated prior to the meeting.

TS reminded the members of the four items noted in the report, a National Schools Championships event to be held shortly, the English Forum meeting has been delayed, Filming as a learning package, illustrating general sprint competition rules. The advert for the Sprint Performance Director/Head coach position has been published. TS asked if anyone had any questions on any of these items.

CW asked if the English Forum is disbanded, would there be an alternative way for English clubs to raise issues particularly relating to English clubs? TS would ask that question at the Forum meeting on the 10th.

ACTION: TS

PD asked if the SRC could engage more with the organisers of the National School event, TS agreed that, could be beneficial and is also proposed by the MRC. Schools and universities are part of the 'Local and Regional events' subgroup remit, but being newly formed, the subgroup have not yet had time to consider where school events fit in the overall local event strategy.

Planning - Development Plans 2022-25

7a) Goal 3 - Develop Volunteers and Coaches

Racing Coach Forum (15th January) logistically being put together by the coaching department who are open to suggestions for the location of the venue, subjects for talks, names of keynote speakers, possible subjects for workshops etc. The event will be a single day. It could be filmed to stream live on the day or as a recording for later use





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- 7 a) A venue which is reasonably central, such as Warwick or Birmingham was suggested, cont'd Several keynote speakers were recommended, as well as a list of appropriate and interesting subjects as a focus for the talks and for possible workshops. TS would collate all the suggestions discussed and circulate this after the meeting, for further comments before forwarding to Lee Pooley. **ACTION: TS + LP**
 - 8 Treasurer's Report: LC - Held over to next meeting
 - 2021 Budget Update: a)
 - i) SRC Budget: ii) Regatta Committee Budget
 - 2022-25 Budget bid, including Planned Developments: b)

LC had previously circulated the draft papers to be submitted to British Canoeing for the SRC 2022 grant. Louise was thanked for the work involved to produce such a well prepared and detailed piece of work, which clearly links our planned aims to the British Canoeing published strategy. TS proposed the figures and supporting documents be submitted as circulated. Agreed Action: LC AG suggested the SRC considers which if any, of the budget items might be funded from the reserves and at what figure it considers would be prudent to set the reserves. Additionally, what plans can be made to generate an income to maintain a 'safe' level of reserves? TS asked AG to arrange a meeting with British Canoeing finance staff to discuss the reserves situation. It was proposed that TS +LC+CW met with AG and Susan Hicks in the next couple of weeks. Agreed ACTION: AG+TS+LC+CW

9 Goal 6 – Develop Paddlers – over the long term:

SRC funding support of Selected Athletes for international events a)

TS requested the meeting consider what practical funding criteria we could establish in advance of selections. HB asked if it was known what the selection policy focus was likely to be as this would have a significant bearing on the numbers of selections and therefore affect the level of funding the SRC might be able to offer. PD replied other than the Paracanoe all other selection policies were still to be drawn up. TS proposed that this item be held over until the draft selection policies were further advanced.

PD suggested a SRC focus group be formed which could feed in SRC views as part of the drafting process for the Selection policies. The SRC would then have an influence on the selection criteria and an informed view around the numbers of selections requiring funding. PD asked anyone with ideas or suggestions for the direction of the selections to contact him.

SRC support to clubs to attend international club events such as Sobeka. Held over to next meeting.

10 Committee roles, posts and representatives' appointments:

TS is pleased, that following the last meeting, PM emailed him offering to take on the role as the committee's lead for 'Coach Development'. Would the committee confirm this proposal? Agreed

11 **Date for future SRC Committee Meetings:**

Monday 13th December 2021@ 8.00pm confirmed as the next meeting. The following meeting scheduled as Monday 24th January 2022 @ 8.00pm

Meeting finished at: 21.30