

**TEIGN SCULLERS
MINUTES OF MEETING
MONDAY 14TH JANUARY 2008
THE WILD GOOSE**

Present: Alan Gillespie, Chris Turner Robson , Brian Cort, Mike Cullen, Jacinta Jackson, Kim Taylor

Apologies: Mark Eastman, Jon Taylor, Youlie G , Sheralie Margenout

Minutes of last meeting (15.10.07) were agreed

Matters Arising

- Rachel Burridge is willing to continue to maintain the website
- Erica is back in the shed
- A smaller safety boat still needs to be found. The Teign Corinthians Yacht Club may be interested in buying our safety boat and may have something smaller which we might be interested in. Alan will pursue this.
- The Men's 4 did extremely well in the Totnes Head in November – well done guys!
- The Christmas Social took place as planned at The Wild Goose.
- Kim noticed that the map on the website is incorrect and will contact Rachel or Mark to correct
- Mark to prepare write up on the Totnes Head complete with photos for putting on the website.

Exeter Head

Exeter head was postponed from before Christmas to 10th February but will now take place on **9th February 2008**. There are potentially two crews to be entered:

Women's 4 in the new boat: Youlie, Kim, Leslie, Jacinta with Mark (Cox)

Men's 4 (possibly in a boat borrowed from Exmouth): Chris, Brian, Mike C and Alan

Alan will contact Exmouth to see if they have a boat available and Youlie will enter both crews for Exeter Head for now.

Need to ask Les if he is available to transport the boat on his landrover.

Financial Report

Chris stated that there is £282.08 in the bank after paying the rent on the barn (until March 2008) and receiving membership fees from Jacinta.

Alan said he has received an email from Sheralie offering to pay £100 sponsorship in exchange for putting her company's SMILE logo on the boat. This was unanimously supported by the meeting.

Membership Fees

The meeting agreed that fees should run from April to April each year.

The following increases will be proposed to the AGM:

Individual £50 (£45+£5 ARA)

Couple £75 (£65+£10 ARA)

Dependents £20 (£15+£5 ARA)

This year it is proposed that a 50% concessionary rate will be available to students and those in receipt of benefits.

Lottery Bid

Alan is in the process of submitting the application for this year. He has needed to change the constitution to make it acceptable to the National Lottery Commission and the new constitution will need to be approved at the AGM.

Teign Scullers is putting in a bid for £5000 to cover £1900 for a double scull; £540 for two pairs of sculling blades; £820 for 4 adjustable cleavers and £1740 for coaching fees.

Membership Drive

Mike Cullen will check the tides around Easter, but it is hoped that Teign Scullers will raise its profile and attract new members by two weekends of activities.

Weekend 1: Take the new boat to Teignmouth for a naming competition/ceremony and media publicity. Possible race against the Gig boats back to Archbrook.

Weekend 2: Open Day at Archbrook

Alan will be away from 5.4.08 for 3 weeks and Kim will be away 14th-30th March.

Any Other Business

Teign Development is keen to encourage the use of the river for leisure and have asked Teign Scullers whether we might wish to relocate to Passage House. Mark and Alan will continue to discuss terms with Teign Development. This is unlikely to happen before 2009, but it was agreed this could be an exciting way forward which could only help to attract new members.

Alan and Mark have negotiated a reciprocal arrangement with Teign Corinthians in which TC club members can come and learn how to row and TS club members can go and learn how to sail.

Concern was voiced about the new boat getting damaged on the stones and the possibility that there is already a hairline crack in the hull. Alan will seek advice from Swift and also ask for an inspection. It was noted that the integrity of the hull could have been compromised when it was bumped during delivery.

Please note date of AGM: 7.30 pm 1st April 2008 at The Wild Goose

Since meeting Mike Cullen has checked the tides around Easter, the times and heights are likely to make the planned activities unviable. It has been suggested that they are postponed until May 2008.

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7.30 PM**

AGENDA

- 1. Minutes of Last Meeting and Matters Arising**
- 2. Exeter Head of the River 9th February [has been moved from the 10th]**
- 3. Financial Report**
- 4. Membership Fees 2008**
- 5. Progress on Lottery bid**
- 6. Membership Drive Spring**
- 7. Any Other Business**