



## BRITISH CANOEING SPRINT RACING COMMITTEE

**DATE:** Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2019

**TIME:** 13.40

**VENUE:** Meeting Room  
British Canoeing Offices  
Lee Valley White Water Centre

### Attending:

Committee members:

John Hoile (Vice Chair) Cathy Wynne(Sec), Imogen Collins, Margaret Chapman, Roland Lawler. Mally Johnson(co-opted)

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### Minutes

1 **Apologies:**

Apologies received from committee members Alan Laws (Chair), Edward McKeever, Louise Clive, Michael Bannister (Treasurer), Paul Dimmock, Phil Caisley and Anna Grey (British Canoeing) plus Jim Rossiter, BC Vice President & South East Regional Rep.  
[LC: EM:& AG Had emailed or phoned in comments for inclusion in the meeting]

2 Declaration of Interests: One form was returned.

**Action: PD+EM:**

3 **Approval of SRC Minutes for 24<sup>th</sup> February 2019:**

The circulated minutes were also tabled at the meeting. No comments or adjustments were raised. RL proposed and IC 2<sup>nd</sup> the minutes be approved. **Agreed unanimously**

4 **Matters arising from Minutes not on the agenda**

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Item 7 b) ACM 19<sup>th</sup> October 2019 forward planning:

Following a wide ranging discussion including ideas for possible speakers and the format for the social evening, it was agreed the initial planning would be undertaken by:-

IC liaison with Reading Canoe Club

AL contacting the keynote speakers.

JH prepare and arrange the trophies.

IC+ AL+ JH to form sub-group to co-ordinate the initial planning

MJ to lead promotion of ACM on Social Media.

CW to prepared ACM formal paperwork

Held over to the next meeting, who would manage the Buffet Ticket sales and Invitations.

Item 12 b) ITO Seminar and exam in the UK, March update:

All 3 of our candidates passed as International Technical Officials. The ICF committee members who attended and the candidates ITO's were pleased with the arrangements and the practical experience provided for the candidates at our National Regatta.

28/11/18

Item 12 Review of the new SRC T of Ref approved by Board:

AG has contacted, on behalf of the SRC, the Regional Development Teams inviting them to let us know if they wish to be informed of SRC meetings or on occasions request to have a representative attend a SRC meeting.



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Item 13: SRC K4 Loan Strategy: JH+CW+IC to meet – held over

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### Chairman's report: AL

The Chair's report which was circulated prior to the meeting, commented on the SRC having a rolling process for updating the Development Plan. [ Item 7] **Action: All**  
AL confirmed he would be standing down as SRC Chair at this ACM. BC will be inviting potential candidates for the Chair position to make their interest know to BC. AL also mentioned others committee members who had indicated they will not be standing for re-election and the resulting changes of SRC roles. New committee members as well as a Chair to be encouraged to come forward. **Action: All**

With AL unwell and unable to attend, IC offered to response to AL emailed requesting topics to put forward for the Coaching Conference, **Action: IC**

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**Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer's report held over to next meeting.

a)

AL had circulated, prior to the meeting an estimate from JW for the SRC to consider how we can assist the selected athletes without funding support. The England Talent Programme have a limited fund available for some of the athletes. The full number of athletes requiring support will not be known until after the regatta later this month. The SRC will offer a level of funding although to what extent, will be deferred until all the selections are confirmed and the amount from the Talent Programme is known. Then a figure can be established to provide funding parity for the unsupported athletes.

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### Development Plan Rolling Update:

The spreadsheet MC had produced assisted greatly to work through the various sections. Several areas were updated although others needed input from members not at the meeting. To facilitate full committee access, MC will post and share the revised spreadsheet as a 'work in progress document' for all members to contribute and update as required any developments or changes to their area of interest/expertise.

**Action: MC + All**

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### Progress report South Cerney:

A report circulated prior to the meeting provided an update on progress this, being slow but steadily moving in the right direction. Proving a promising picture that this will become a canoeing facility in the medium/long term.

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### Media Strategy: MJ + LC

a)

An extensive report from MJ + LC circulated prior to the meeting, with a further update tabled during the meeting. Laid out a proposal with 'Aims' to raise the profile of Canoe Sprint along with ideas on how this can be brought to fruition.

The SRC considered the proposed 'Aims' for achieving this objective and fully **agreed** with the proposal. **Action: MJ +LC**

b)

A start has been made, including a positive response for canoe sprint volunteers interested in using social media to raise our sport's profile. A "**SRC Social Media Policy**" was presented and **agreed** which will be signed by volunteers making posts on behalf of SRC/RC. For the March regatta, a canoe sprint Instagram, Twitter and hashtags were set up and are being promoted for use to all in the Sprint community.

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### 10 **Regatta Chairman report:**

- a) JH report circulated prior to the meeting, commented on the SUP 1<sup>st</sup> Sprint National Championships, held as part of our March regatta. Spectators showed an interest in the events and the SUP paddlers were very enthusiastic.
- b) The Welsh Wildlife Trust are manning a 'Check Clean and Dry station at all national regattas this year. The good response of paddlers using the facility is very encouraging.
- c) Problems continue with Serco over a range of issues at HPP.
- d) There were several incidents during the March Regatta reported to British Canoeing.
- e) Lack of new regatta officials coming forward this year is worrying and causing difficulties.
- f) There is interest from Board members/Vice Presidents to visit the National Regattas, ideas of how to include them in the event were discussed.
- g) RL commented, he was unhappy junior A and B classes have been run as combined events (other than 200m events) at some of the national regattas this year.

### 11 **Sprint Competition Review Group:**

Report held over for the completion of the Paddler Survey.

**Next Meeting:** Provisional the 21<sup>st</sup> July

**Venue:** Lee Valley White Water Centre      **Time:** TBC

**Meeting finished at: 16.50**

APPROVED