

# Minutes

## Ivanhoe Northcote Canoe Club Committee

Meeting held  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2016 at 7.30pm

<b>Meeting opened</b>	7:45 pm Minutes taken by: Vic					
<b>Members Present</b>		<b>Present</b>	<b>Apology</b>		<b>Present</b>	<b>Apology</b>
	Lawrie Chenoweth	✓		Greg Kerr	✓	
	Candice Charles		✓	Vic Langley	✓	
	Rob Godwin	✓		Olivia Myers		✓
	Ken Guthrie		✓	Geoff Baird	✓	
	Gill Hilton		✓	Sally Miller	✓	
<b>Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>	July 2016 minutes accepted as true and correct representation of the meeting by Greg Kerr, seconded by Rob Godwin					

### President's report/clubhouse (Laurie)

- Protecting the Yarra meeting (from last meeting)
  - Lawrie attended, most of the discussion was focused much further upstream than where we paddle
  - Discussion around rubbish floating in Yarra – previously INCC has participated in Clean up Australia Day, might be worthwhile starting it up again
- Previous meeting: Request from Peter Mitten (council) for statistics on female participation in club. Laurie to respond but noted that information available on our website
  - **Greg** to pass on list of INCC coaches to **Lawrie** so he can send report to Peter
- Canoeing Victoria AGM is on 8<sup>th</sup> October – INCC needs one club delegate to go to the AGM
  - **Rob Godwin** to attend on behalf of INCC
- Congratulations to John and his team for the very successful Race Day

**Action: GH to send LC list of INCC coaches**

**Action: RG to attend CV AGM/Strategic Forum**

### Treasurer's Report (Candice)

- Candice an apology at meeting, no report circulated prior
- Previous meeting: purchase of second hand tinny was discussed. Geoff has done research and sent around information in email prior to meeting
  - Several boat/motor models suggested and pros/cons discussed. Quintrex boat model better than other tinny similar to CV but much heavier. Motor size a factor to enable most club members to handle with 2 people; using CV boat, it was noted that the 6 horse power motor struggled with 4 people and wind, but the 15 horse power motor weights 45kg. Still need to decide length of boat and size of motor.
  - In terms of storage, some talk of storing the tinny at the end of Fairfield Boathouse

landing but keep the motor in a separate place. Unsure if this will require annual fee, but assume they will charge at least a nominal amount. Possibility of storage in INCC room accessed from exterior of clubhouse on northern wall (currently door labelled "gents") but not a huge space

- Would be great to have boat financed through a grant application
- Would be great to have a boat by next year's racing

**Action: LC to get official response from boathouse by next meeting.**

**Action: Committee to decide on model and boat size pending boathouse response.**

- RE: actions from previous meeting regarding Clubhouse Development
  - CV have written a letter of support for INCC, LC has meeting next week and will see if anything else can be done
  - Rob queried why funding keeps being rejected – Lawrie to quiz council as to why the submission was declined so we can make improvements to increase approval chances

- Check next month but Geoff says INCC boat valuation pretty much complete

**Action: KG to follow up with communications students – held over from prev meeting**

**Action: LC to quiz council on why our submission keeps being dropped**

**Action: All to consider possible high profile person for 'recreational paddling media story'**

**Action: CC to follow up with Reka to establish value of boats – held over from prev meeting.**

### **Coaching (Greg)**

- Still a steady stream of people wanting to learn, many have picked up the sport surprisingly quickly and have come from other paddling sports. Most people are joining the club after completing the course.
- Greg has purchased two child PFDs for \$80 (prev quotes \$86) from Canoes Plus with a weight rating 20-45kg. It is the smallest life jacket available without having a leg strap. Greg will mark and put into circulation

**Action: GH to mark PFDs and introduce to circulation**

### **Boat Captain (Rob)**

- Still several boats to be repaired – one or two to be taken to Lawrie, one or two to be taken to Peter
- We have run out of INCC Club Boat stickers – Lawrie to get some more
- Rob Godwin was going to write a letter to Carol Osborn thanking her for her boat donation to the club. Geoff suggested saying some sort of thank you to all donated boats e.g. putting a sticker of their name on the boat

**Action: LC to get boat stickers and "Carol Osborn" sticker to put on Carol's donated boats**

**Action: LC to buy 10 more boat stickers (5 pairs)**

### **Clubhouse Coordinator (Rob)**

- Would be good to strengthen the trusses of the back walls a bit – need to get on to Peter Mitten. Would be good to get a team of people down there during our next working bee. Got a lot of space down there but not a heap of use. May need to get some people to deal with the asbestos parts – need to approach Peter with a safety program to get the action approved by the council. Would need to figure out lighting in the area. Rob to call Peter to sort out what needs to be done/what we can do
  - Geoff mentioned that existing maintenance should be covered within their existing budget – so in theory the council should be able to pay for lighting anyway

- The possum situation seems to have decreased, no possum presents have been found (at least not as much as previously) for awhile
- Ladies' shower heads may need adjustment as some are angled into the wall rather than down onto the showerer. Non-adjustable shower heads which are peeling paint off the walls with their powerful whooshing water. New shower heads are needed
  - A shelf near the mirrors would be wonderful to put makeup etc on...

**Action: RG to ring Peter RE: back room facility self-upgrade. Consider list of things that can be done at the next working bee**

#### **Enrolment Officer/rack report (Geoff)**

- Report circulated prior to meeting
- 28 members who have not renewed who have boats in the clubhouse – Geoff will start moving them out if renewals are not completed soon
- Boats are still being shifted around to maximise space – we are approaching maximum efficiency but under control
- Unfinancial member fobs have been deactivated – any members wishing to get access will need to renew. Life member fob mishaps have been corrected
- A Canadian paddler has joined INCC but is only here until December – Geoff proposes to refund her the second half of her membership once her visa expires in December. Carried through to next meeting as Candice should be part of the discussion

#### **Action: Follow up refund decision at next meeting**

- Transition to keyless system successful. Geoff will place supporting documentation in kitchen in case of issues and him not being available. Ken is the current 'fob expert' backup, others are welcome to learn more about the system to become extra backups.
- Geoff Baird is donating the cost of the electronic access systems - \$388 for the main door and \$136 for the second door. A third system (another \$136) has also been provided as a spare. The main door included the fobs, uninterruptable power supply and back up battery. The committee thanks Geoff for his significant contribution to the club.
- From previous: Film crew from VCA in attendance on Sunday. Donating \$200 to club. Rob G will let them in.
  - Update: They filmed on the Sunday and then came back later in the week when it was less busy. They seem to have enjoyed their time. The committee thanks Rob and Geoff for their efforts in organising, cleaning and supervising their use of the clubhouse.
- Previous meeting: Container racks which are currently stored in caretaker res, to be moved to shed of shame.
  - Update: they are tidily standing up in the corner of the kitchen

#### **Website/Communications report (Candice)**

- No report.

#### **General business**

- Current committee to think about AGM and positions available. Also to encourage 'new blood' to nominate for general positions.
  - Advertising to be placed around the club to encourage members to consider joining the committee
- After the success of the Winter Solstice Paddle Sally had a suggestion for future social paddles – she would be willing to organise a "seasonal social paddle" eg. A Spring Picnic Paddle upstream near the rapids. Sally suggests her and Rob can partner up again to organise it.

**Action: SM and RG to investigate and begin organising the inaugural INCC Sprint Picnic Paddle**

- John Young has some ideas to get a paddle to substitute the Murray Marathon on the Goulburn River – around 40km. Committee can help with organisation if needed once John has a firmer picture of what would be required.
- INCC AGM will be on Friday or Saturday? 28<sup>th</sup> or 29<sup>th</sup> of October depending on venue hire, other paddling commitments etc. VL to confirm ASAP

**Action List:**

- **VL to check with MLC to see when their presentation night is, check venue (bowls club from last year) to see if we can book a date. VL to liase with CC to see what documents need preparing/being sent out. VL to talk to Reka about INCC world marathon champ reps doing a presentation/formal recognition**
- **SM to check for race clashes and let VL know**
- **LC to check sprint dates, Liase with John Young re: awards. LC to contact Amanda Reynolds to see if she will be a guest speaker. John Jacobie could be another option if Amanda unavailable.**

**Meeting Close**

The meeting closed at 9.34pm

Next committee meeting Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm