## Minutes

## Ivanhoe Northcote Canoe Club Committee

## Meeting held

## Thursday 20 February, 2014 at 7.30 p.m.

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| **Meeting opened** | 7:45pm  Minutes taken by: Gill |
| **Members Present:** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Committee Member** | **Present** | **Apology** | **Committee Member** | **Present** | **Apology** | | Laurie Chenoweth | **✓** |  | Greg Kerr | **✓** |  | | Candice Charles | **✓** |  | Vic Langley | **✓** |  | | Daniel Tencic | **✓** |  | Olivia Myers | **✓** |  | | Ken Guthrie | **✓** |  | Geoff Baird | **✓** |  | | Gill Hilton | **✓** |  | Rob Godwin | **✓** |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  | |
| **Minutes of Previous Meeting** | Correction to previous minutes: orientation days Feb - Candice, Rob - March. Nb Minutes weren’t sent to Geoff Baird. Otherwise were accepted as a true and correct record of proceedings. Moved: Rob Godwin, Seconded: Candice |
| **Business Arising** | * **Attendee list at 2013 AGM – Greg to supply and then minutes can be finalised.** * **Candice realised that we had neglected to send Club Rules in to Consumer Affairs. Now in hand.** |

**Special discussion – Clubhouse improvements**

Revisions to proposals discussed at last meeting have been displayed on notice board at club.

See documents forwarded by Geoff 2 x proposals and notes.

Proposal B seems to be most preferred by committee.

Next step – meet with council. Put two proposals forward and gauge appetite for action. Possible cost in league of 20 – 50,000 depending on level of fixtures (doors etc). Would look to source labour from within members as possible.

Geoff commended for his efforts.

**President’s report**

* Lawrie provide background to Paddle Power, Circulated brochures. Proposing that INCC become a pilot site. To liaise with CV. Committee supportive.

**Treasurer Report**

* Documents circulated pre meeting.
* Several new members – pro rata time of year.
* Plenty of budget to maintain/upgrade fleet if required
* Now paying most people by online banking. Note not as transparent to committee members now that cheques aren’t being written at meeting. Committee encouraged to ask as required.

**Coaching**

* **Come N Try**
* Went well, approximately a dozen or so attended. No BBQ due to fire danger. Thanks to volunteers for helping run the day.
* Calling for volunteers again for this weekend 2-4 Sunday (Geoff, Candice, Vic)
* Two councillors attending – Candice to look after
* Discussion about signage ‘for Yarra Residents’. All agreed that whilst we need to make it available to Yarra Residents, the day is open to the public. Greg to change signs.
* Important to still take contact details from a public liability point of view
* Greg still querying need for more coaches. Several people who are close to completing qualification- this has been a slow process – however once done this should fill need. Greg to follow up Mark Chapple.
* Vic now doing online bookings given Greg off line.
* Vic sought advice from Committee regarding communication from a member who has expressed frustration and dissatisfaction about timing of beginner courses and inability to use membership. Vic to contact member by phone to try and resolve issues depending on what is reasonable.

**Uniform**

* Close to having hoodies ready.
* Other uniform stock in disarray – Vic needs a key to back room so will get several cut.
* Unclear what suppliers were used. Vic to follow up with Deb Bennet for details – if unavailable committee ok for Vic to explore other supplier options. Lawrie suggested using Hoodie supplier.
* Vic to follow up request from a member re longsleeve top.

**Boat Captain**

* Dan has arranged purchase of new TK2 supertourer
* Van Duesen in need of repair
* Dan to follow up change of seats of existing recently purchased TK2s
* Lawrie suggested adding a super wide TK1 to fleet for heavier, taller, wider paddlers.
* Supplier PPA Performance Paddling Australia attended Come n Try with their boats ‘Citius’. Made in China – Norwegian design. Ugly boats but well made with double moulded cockpits, and move well in water. 48 like Rebel 46. Reasonably priced. Suggesting these may a good robust option instead of rebels. To consider for future.

**Clubhouse coordinator**

* Gill needs to resign from position. Rack allocation spreadsheets up to date and can be handed over. 2-3 other jobs to finish up. Geoff to take on rack allocation. Rob to take other clubhouse jobs.
* GH to follow up re electrician to rewire caretaker res to meter. Either rewire to meter OR set up some kind of temporary lighting
* Proposed 22 March for working bee – won’t work due to marathon champs proposed 29th March – candice to put out email to members.

**Website/Communications report**

* Vic and Liv have completed all updates – including all committee member details. Still to get some photos.

**Enrolment Officer**

* Orientations:
  + March Rob Godwin – 11.30 16th and 30th
  + April Lawrie
* Fees for next year. Propose not to change/increase fees UNLESS progress with clubhouse works then possibility of introducing ‘building’ levy.
* MLC first half organisational fee has been received. Second half due. As yet MLC has not registered any students through club with CV for 2013-14. Candice in communication with Carol O (covering Deb B) to try and resolve issue.

**General business**

* Geoff querying whether able to have committee member contacts available inside the clubhouse. Committee agreed for list to go up, also to direct members to website.
* Clubhouse boat use register – Geoff has prepared a pre-formatted calendar/boat use-booking diary that can be reproduced easily each year for print. Has received feedback from several committee members and will finalise dates before prints.
* Now have Smart Meter. Suggestion that now with new meter maybe to change to Green power. Further suggestion to install Solar hot water? KG to follow up
* Vic and Liv raised idea of running holiday program and/or offer services to existing holiday programs: intro to kayaking – such as the paddle power program. Will explore.
* LC reported from CV meeting. – Querying all clubs whether CV membership should be mandatory? (INCC currently are but not all canoe clubs are the same)
* Ken has been approached by people responsible for the *Atlas of Living Australia* for help in recruiting people to record observations of birds and animals on the river. The group are involved in ongoing research into urban biodiversity and would like us to promote the program on our website / encourage members to log their observations. Agreed.
* Candice shared an suggestion from a recently joined member regarding the club organising a ‘club race day’ to provide an opportunity for members to meet and to give recreational paddlers a taste of racing in an informal, fun atmosphere. Lawrie has discussed the idea with Fairfield CC with the idea of to taking turns in a combined event twice a year. Candice to follow up with Kieran Dews from FCC.
* Candice proposed the committee acknowledge the contribution Gill Hilton has made as clubhouse co-ordinator and thank her formally for her time and tactful approach. A vote of thanks was carried unanimously.

**Meeting Closed 9.50 pm**

Next committee meeting Thursday 20th March 7.30pm

22 march