



Minutes of Annual General Meeting Saturday 27th November

Members in attendance: 28	
Alan Cowan Alison Donnachie Alison McEvoy Arthur Graham Dave Mellor David Coursar Derrick McClure Donald McLatchie Douglas Lamont	Eddie Woods Eleanor Collier Elizabeth Pratt Gary Watkins Iain Burnside Iain McGachie Ian Ward Jacqueline Simpson Jane Grant
	Janis Bald Joan McEachran Karin Finegan Kevin McBride Louise McCarron Lucie Aitkenhead Lynda Graham Robin Scott Skye Kennedy Sylvia Boyle
1. Welcome and Apologies.	Lucie Welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies had been received from Hugh McLean, Doreen Mathie, Jacqui McAllister, Margaret James, and John McFarlane.
2. Endorsement of March 2021 Minutes	The minutes of the previous AGM were proposed by Joan McEachan and seconded by Kevin McBride.
3. Annual Report	Lucie Aitkenhead explained that the committee had prepared a written annual report on the activities since 1 st April, which had been circulated to all members prior to the meeting. Highlights of the year included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The return to rowing in mid May • Successful taster sessions, and an increase in membership to over 80 • The introduction of a coxes rota and trainee coxes: Lucie thanked Louise for all her organising, and all the coxes for their time and effort. • The successful regatta, including fantastic rowing, the return of DJ Foccr and the outdoors dancing • Long rows to wee Cumbrae, Millport and round Cumbrae, and rowing with the incredible dolphins.
4. Financial Report	Jane Grant presented the Treasurers report, which had been circulated to members in advance of the meeting, and she thanked Julia McQuaker for preparing the report. The club now has new bank accounts which can be accessed by on-line banking which should make the payment of monies and the management of the accounts more straightforward. Successful grant applications throughout the year, have resulted in the club ending the financial year with a healthy bank balance. Jane thanked Ian Ward for checking the financial statement. The accounts were proposed by Eleanor Collier, and

	seconded by Arthur Graham.
5. Other Committee Reports	<p>Louise McCarron, Social and Fundraising Officer Louise presented a roundup of the social events which had taken place throughout the year, and she thanked her team for all their support. Highlights included the regatta party; the gardening section with the flower bed in Douglas Park, thanks to Alan Cowan for his leadership; the Quizzes which have started back in the Village Inn thanks to John McFarlane, and the recent commencement of coffee and cake session in the Sailing Club on Saturdays. These will take place every week, even if rowing has been cancelled. Louise held a draw for the attendees and the bottle of wine was presented to Janis Bald. Lucie thanked Louise and her team for all their fantastic work and organising, and said the members are all looking forward to the Xmas party.</p> <p>Maintenance: On behalf of Hugh McLean, Maintenance Officer, Ian Ward gave a report on the maintenance team activities. The club have managed to get use of workshop facilities at Hunterston, and Saltire is now nearing completion from a full refit. Lucie thanked Hugh, Ian, and the full team for all their hard work, and promised everyone will do their best not to scrape the paintwork when saltire is back in use.</p> <p>Lynda Graham, Youth Development Officer: The youth section now has 11 members, 10 of whom are planning to attend the Skiffie Worlds next year. They have commenced a fundraising programme to help with the costs of attending the Worlds with their families, and they already have almost £1000, including very generous kit sponsorship from McEvoy Engineering. During the winter the youths will be training every weekend, and challenged the adult rowers to join them. Lucie thanked Lynda, and her team for all their work and the support they gave to the young people.</p>
6. Constitution – Minor amendments to wording.	<p>Proposed changes to the constitution: A revised constitution had been circulated to all members. The proposed changes were agreed; proposed by Eddie Woods, and seconded by Alison Donnachie.</p>
7. Election of new committee members	<p>Lynda Graham chaired the election of new members to the committee: Chairperson: Lucie Aitkenhead Proposed by Alan Cowan, and seconded by Arthur Graham Treasurer: Jane Grant Proposed by Gary Watkins, and seconded by Eddie Woods Secretary: Iain McGachie Proposed by Derek McLure and seconded by Dave Mellor Regatta Secretary: Doreen Mathie Proposed by Eleanor Collier and seconded by Arthur Graham Maintenance Officer; Donald McLatchie Proposed by Ian ward and seconded by Eddie Woods.</p>

8. Any other competent business	No other business had been submitted and no-one had any questions
9. Presentation of Bill Erskine cup	On behalf of the club, Arthur Graham presented the Bill Erskine Trophy for Volunteer of the Year to Louise McCarron. He thanked Louise for all her work throughout the year, which she undertook with her inimitable energy and enthusiasm.
10. Meeting close	<p>Lucie thanked the outgoing committee for all their work during the past year, and in particular Julia and Hugh who were standing down from the committee. She welcomed the new committee, and thanked them for coming forward into their new roles.</p> <p>In the New year the newly established Safety and Training Team are going to be running a training day, and introducing a training programme to get everyone ready for the Skiffie Worlds. 2022 is also going to be the 10th anniversary of the club, and members were asked to come forward with suggestions for ways to celebrate. Lucie thanked everyone for attending the meeting, and invited them to stay on for the stalls.</p>