

**Minutes FOCCR Committee 9 November 2023 at “Drouthie Niebors”
at 1930**

Attendees: Lucie, Donald, Gary, Jane, Doreen ,Iain, Drea, Jacqueline

1930 - Introduction - Lucie

AGM minutes posted on website. Members wishlist and refresher training event (Gary/Arthur) Saturday 24 February 2024 at 12 noon for couple hours. Confirm Sailing Club availability - **Lucie**

Constitution to be signed by Chair/Secretary and review FOCCR booklet - **Iain/Lucie**

1935 - Maintenance - Donald

David Mann at Maritime confirms he have capability to refurb skiffs after Martin leaves - **Closed**

Based on above list proposal for the best way to tackle it, facility and rough costs - **Closed**

Awaiting costs for Fairlie Quay to carry out skiff refurb this winter - **Don**

Training & Safety committee list of work for skiffs over winter to be circulated to committee - **Don**

Agreed to fit offset kit to Saltire over winter. Will need one week to complete and plan is to do this during week when skiff not used. Stroke foot setting to be sorted separately - **Don**

New skiff tailboard (fits both Saltire and Thistle) now available.

1950 - Finance - Jane

Accounts for 22/23 season circulated before meeting. Account is healthy with £7k in bank.

2000 - Membership - Iain

Membership fee increased to £45 agreed at AGM. Members have been notified through FOCCR media and reminders will be sent to highlight 30 Nov 23 last date to complete membership.

2010 - Training & Safety - Gary

A number of members have complained of sprains/sore after rowing. A reminder to members to have a short warm up prior to rowing to prepare body for rowing.

A workout document to be produced for cox's to highlighting routines covering turning, starting etc so that we build consistency into race training activities - **Gary**

Committee asks that I any members who are down at Largs Sailing Club after a storm/bad weather are asked to check on status of skiffs/covers etc.

2020 - Youth - Lynda

Handover to Andrea and Shelley on Sunday & will continue to support as needed. I will forward info to committee and youth coxes once have finalised details re role and plan. Lucie & I have arranged to meet Stranraer & Wigton clubs in January to discuss youth rowing. Karyn Donnachie from Royal West has emailed asking for more details as she is trying to generate interest in their club too. Positive phone call with Duke of Edinburgh organiser at Largs Academy who knows Robbie, Michael etc. He will mention rowing as one of the activities at next meeting. Youth numbers have obviously dropped due to Uni starting but I have had a request for rowing sessions so hopefully they will renew membership.

Review

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FOCCR child protection/safeguarding policy to be included in FOCCR documentation - **Lucie/Lynda**

2030 - Coxes and Rota - Lucie

Iain McG will do rota for remainder Nov and Dec.

2045 - Regatta - Doreen

Agreed we should have the early season FOCCR members only regatta at Fairlie on 13 April followed by "The Cumbrae Hop" (organised by Gary) on 20 April. Further information about both these events will be circulated nearer the time.

Arran (22 June 24) and Rue (14 Sept 24) have posted their regatta dates on SCRA website so we agreed we should try to bring our regatta forward in the year to May for better weather and if cancelled more options later in year. Confirm available date in May with LSC- **Doreen**

2100 - Social & Fund Raising- Jaqueline

In addition to through Autumn/Winter on Saturday's after row get together for tea/scones at LSC, we have a number of activities coming up as we approach the festive season. Quiz night Wednesday 15 Nov and Wednesday 20 Dec, Xmas party Friday 8 Dec at Hawkhill Bowling Club, Xmas row Sunday 17 Dec members. All being communicated regularly to members

FOCCR's have a garden patch in Douglas Park that we maintain. Saturday 9 Dec at Douglas Park there will be an afternoon socializing for all groups who have contributed to activities in the park during 2023. All FOCCR members welcome.

Check status of small boat for FOCCR Douglas Park - **Iain**

2115 - AoB - All

New Tyron Curry youth oars purchase status - **Arthur**

Review all FOCCR oar sets and decide which ones to keep, rework or sell - **Arthur/Gary**

2130 - Closed

Next committee meeting Wednesday 17 Jan 2024 a 7pm in Drouthie Neibors.

Any issues before this time to be managed on committee messenger page.