



Stourport Boat Club Management Committee MEETING MINUTES



Date	5 June 2024	Location	SBC Club Room
Time	7pm		
Committee	Sara Peace (SP) Jane Palmer (JP) Luke Barnett (LB) Liz Danby (LD) Nic Danby (ND)		
Copied		Captain	Stew Barnett (SB)

Item	Header	Notes	Lead
1	Apologies	Mark Appleton (MA), Jimmy Watson (JW), Bob Jones (BJ)	SP
3	Welcome / Guests	-	SP
4	Previous Minutes	Minutes of previous meeting approved.	SP
5	Outstanding Actions	SP responded to (Redacted)	SP

5. Management Matters

5a	Membership Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership system not currently meeting SBC's requirements <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Data which is generated is inaccurate or misleading • Membership count (including new L2R members) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 91 • Current system is not conducive for family memberships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LD looking at alternative ways to implement these • Racking fees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Redacted) not paid her racking fees yet ○ (Redacted) looking to sell single ○ SB asked if any members were enquiring about racking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LD – none at the moment • (Redacted) has mentioned that her fob is not working <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LD is running another club wide key and fob surgery which will allow members to get fobs and keys • L2R Members <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ So far 5 of the L2R have converted to full members ○ SB predicts all L2R members will join the club fully • The mystery of (Redacted) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LD asks who is she? ○ She has paid membership ○ No one knows 	LD
5b	Finance Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Existing balance (excluding membership) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ £44,298 • Membership fees come in YTD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ £18,725 ○ Total membership projected to be £33K end of year • Expenses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All expenses have been paid except day-to-day expenditure • Ongoing expenditure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee to identify the potential ongoing expenditure with fleet and facilities, so we can budget accordingly ○ With any large purchases, Committee to keep receipts safe on Box as proof of purchase 	MA



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5c	Grounds & Maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee thanks everyone who has been involved in maintaining the grounds • Launch Motor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New one purchased - £3,600 ○ Proof of purchased kept <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SB to put on box • Old launch motor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sold £400 • Yellow Launch <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Sold - £150 • New club truck – forthcoming expenditure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SB suggests a budget of £8-10K ○ SB looking at options to present to Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ford Ranger, Toyota Hilux, Ford Crew Cab Transit 	All
5d	Bar / Social / Functions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deb B has asked if the committee would like to put some fund aside to improve the bar (soft furnishings, painting, etc) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee to consider this at next meeting and discuss with MA regarding finances • Bar takings in May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ £1,138 in sales – Profit (approx. 30%) ○ Committee commented on how excellent we have so many members who want to volunteer and make the bar a success. • Andy Aston Quiz Night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Andy has asked if we want to run the quiz on a Friday in September? ○ Committee to go back to Andy to confirm which Friday would work best and doesn't clash 	All
5e	Social Media & Website	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SBC annual group photo <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Date to be taken – 4th Aug ○ JW asked where the previous group photos were taken ○ SB – on stairs in front of the club and with Willows in background ○ JW organised photographer – Tony 	LB

6. Rowing Matters

6a	Captain's Report	<p>Racing Roundup</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Worcester Regatta 18th May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We sent a number of combinations to Worcester and racing was intense. Our Women's four were up against the top Worcester crew and put up a real fight to narrowly miss out. ○ The Women's eight also raced well, we have a really good strength in depth amongst our woman's squad. ○ We also boated a men's masters four containing Andy Harris, Chris Bird, Lee Evans and Stew Barnett coxed by Liz Danby. They came through the heat against Bewdley then were able to Beat Hereford in the final. A very enjoyable win for all concerned. 	SB
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- Tyler Elwell, Mat Henry, Nic Danby and Mat Gould also went well in the open category with a good solid row coxed by Liz Danby. This was a completely scratch outfit based on availability, going forward we need to establish some set crews to bed in and gain more speed
- Euan Barley is looking smooth in his single and raced well not too far off the winning pace.
- Our Juniors were also represented by the J16 Quad of Millie Bird, Emily Appleton, Maud Paveley and Katie White. This was a really exciting race and really got the crowd screaming. It was a new combination and only narrowly lost to Hereford Cathedral School. Well done girls.
- **National Schools Regatta**
 - This is the premier event for Juniors. The competition is stronger than it has ever been and Junior rowing is in a good place.
 - Our Double of Alice Dorrell and Sophie Davis represented us at J18 level.
 - As already mentioned, they were up against the best in the Country and are a lightweight combination. They sculled well and gained valuable experience. It can be quite daunting to row on such a huge expanse of water on an eight-lane course against the best in the land. Well done girls!
- **Metropolitan Regatta Saturday 1/6/24**
 - Two of our senior crews are going to Henley qualifiers the Women's crew consisting Adie Rogers, Sophie Dimambro, Emily Shepherd and Jodie Howson will be going to Women's Henley on 21st June and Jimmy Watson and Luke Barnett to Henley Royal Qualifiers on 28th.
 - So, the Met is a serious test its one of the big multi lane events where exceptional performance can pre-qualify men's crews. Realistically Jimmy and Luke in open double sculls were looking to make the A Final. With 16 crews entered and the Irish clubs out enforce they were six seconds off the A final.
 - They sculled well and were in the frame to halfway. With very little 2k experience the big guns went away at the end. Good performance though they will look to move on in the next few weeks.
 - Adie Rogers, Emily Shepherd, Sophie Di Mambro and Jodie Howson couldn't have had a worse start to their day. With only minutes to spare Sophie and Emily who had been stuck on the M40 in a massive traffic hold up due to an accident turned up and had to get straight on the water.



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ All the Women’s crews were time trialed and our girls rowed well. In their final they were 8 seconds off winning. <p>Other News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The LTR course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LTR has been a great success and the fun Regatta went really well, the weather was kind and they all finished off the day in one of the closest eights races ever. The support for this has been fantastic. All ten of the Learn To rowers are keen to join the club and I sincerely thank all our current members who helped out. You should all feel really proud because your friendly, positive and fun attitude is why people want to be at the club. ● Stourport High School Juniors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Another initiative really well supported and as mentioned before this could be the start of our next Junior squad. Up to 25 Juniors continue to turn up and many have already expressed an interest in Joining. Ben Palmer has volunteered to Coach them when they join and we have today started their last six week block. <p>Wins to Date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Women - 8 ● Men - 3 ● Mixed - 1 	
6b	Junior Rowing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hope to see new junior members off the back of the SHS project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ben P and Clare B – to support with bringing the new junior members into the SBC fold ○ SBC to provide T-shirt to students for completing the course ○ Only 3 more sessions until end of year ○ Matt Dello (Teacher at SHS) to send letter to parents of those students who have been taking part in the rowing program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SB to pen letter for Matt to send out on SBC’s behalf, to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Membership fees (£23.83/month) ● Training times (Monday & Wednesday from 17:30, Weekends from 09:30) ● If the juniors want to race, they will need to pay for BR membership and race entry fees, and racing kit ● Parents would be welcome to join the club too 	SP/SB



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6c	Learn to Row	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See Captains report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SB thanks all members for their amazing efforts making the event a success ○ 9 people have joined from the back of it. • Ben P suggestion – next year running a junior and adults L2R program – committee liked the idea, something to consider next year. 	SB
6d	Coaching & Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See 6b & 6c 	SB

7. Compliance Matters

7a	Health & safety (Including fire & river safety)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 incidents reported <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ (Redacted) collision with barge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ LB logged incident with BR ▪ LB sent out notification to members to be aware of river traffic coming out of the lock ▪ LB has been liaising with Canals and River Trust in terms of mitigations ▪ Canals and River Trust reminded members to pip horn before they pull out ○ (Redacted) in double near collision <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Nearly collided with LD • Launch protocol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LB has sent out notification to members reminding them of their responsibilities when using club launches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Remember kill cords ▪ Take safety kit 	LB
7b	Insurances	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Old truck insurance has been cancelled • Club policy is due for renewal in September <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ LB to put on Committee diary as a reminder 	LB
7c	Welfare	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welfare incident reporting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A QR code is now up on the notice board ○ Members can scan this code and report any incidents. Notifications will do directly to Welfare email box ○ Paper versions of incident report form will be available in the kitchen • DBS Checks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ JP to speak with BR to find out what our club pin is so she can start doing DBS checks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ (Redacted) to be DBS checked ahead of coaching role 	JP
8	Secretariat		ND

9 AOB

9a	Ladies' fundraiser	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP to liaise with Adie regarding fundraising initiatives • Confirmation of dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Video Launch Sessions and Curry/Chilli 	SP
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Friday evenings (June 28th, July 12th, July 26th) ○ Car Wash <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sat 13th July & Sun 14th July ○ Summer Party <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Sat 17th August ○ Pub Quiz <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fri 27th Sep ○ Bingo night <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Fri 15th Nov • SP suggests the club to make up the difference (with the help of grant funding) to meet their target. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee agrees, pending MA's sign off 	
9b	JL Kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JW to speak to Stich to get prices so that we can get direct cost comparisons between Stich & JL. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ We will directly compare the designs then make a call ○ Committee agreed - ideally, we should have one supplier for racing kit across the club • Training kit more flexible on 	ND
9c	Pot Donations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Deb B emailed and suggested if members would like to donate some of their pots to decorate the club room. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee like the idea 	ND
9d	Regatta Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirmed, regatta is being advertising as upstream both days • Mark Betson has confirmed he will help with building the finish again this year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee thanks him for his ongoing support 	SB
9e	Club Truck	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB confirms, old truck is dead – head gasket went • LD asks do we need a club truck for any upcoming regattas • SB to confirmed we can make do but ideally we should get one • New club truck <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SB suggests a budget of £8-10K SB looking at options to present to Committee, Ford Ranger, Toyota Hilux, Ford Crew Cab Transit • ND to write a letter to members regarding the club truck 	SB
9f	Grant Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Henley Foundation launched something for schools to apply for funding – we can put that toward the ladies 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ SHS has to apply for it, to give to the club which that are affiliated with. ○ SP to look at applying for this • LB mentions BR sent email around to club listing funding programs for clubs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Committee to review for eligibility 	SP
10	Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 1st July 	All