

**Blackwater Valley Canoe Club  
Committee Meeting Minutes – 4 October 2010**

**1. Attendees**

Lindsay Heeley	Chris Heeley
Ian Morris	Damian Edwards
Graham Snook	Bob Hamilton
Mike Hamilton	Glenn Carlton

**2. Apologies**

Mark Lovegrove

**Matters Arising**

**3. Trip Dates**

Trip dates for this year were discussed/amended, along with preferred accommodation for white water trips:

Date	Location	Notes
17 Oct 2010	Flat water – TBC	Flat water trip for all
20-21 Nov 2010	Dartmoor	NEW DATE – Confirm Tony’s Availability Accommodation: (12 Beds) [1] Dart Country Park [2] Oratory [3] Fox Tor
28 Nov 2010	Wey	Flat water trip for all
11 Dec 2010	TBC	Xmas Paddle (PM) followed by Xmas meal in the evening
09 Jan 2011	TBC	New year paddle, followed by Ed’s BBQ
29-30 Jan 2011	Dartmoor	Accommodation: (12 Beds) [1] Oratory [2] Fox Tor [3] Dart Country Park
13 Feb 2011	Flat water – TBC	Flat water trip for all
19-20 Feb 2011	Dartmoor	Accommodation: (12 Beds) [1] Oratory [2] Fox Tor [3] Dart Country Park
12-13 Mar 2011	Dartmoor	Accommodation: (12 Beds) [1] Oratory [2] Fox Tor [3] Dart Country Park

Ian to ask Mark to look into checking with Tony and booking accommodation.

**4. End of Season**

It was agreed that as with previous years, the Lido sessions would continue until the end of November, with Mytchett sessions starting on 1 Dec 2010. Lindsay to book Mytchett, everyone else to come up with ideas for sessions.

**5. Odiham Sessions**

Dates discussed for indoor pool sessions during the winter season:

- 4 Dec 2010

- 15 Jan 2010
- 5 Mar 2010

Saturday evenings as in previous years, 6-8pm. Ian to check with Tom situation regarding contact for booking and key access.

## **6. Kit**

Nothing pressing with regard to kit purchases at present. Will keep hold of money until something is required, although likely to need some new decks when new polo boats arrive.

## **7. Coaching File**

Need to update the records of who has what qualifications – should be easier with new membership database. Ian and Bob to discuss.

## **8. Coaching Funding**

A standard practice for providing financial support for coaching awards was discussed. It was decided that all support would be at the committee's discretion (based on club needs and suitability of candidate) and would fund up to £200 toward the total cost, in two instalments. Half initially, then the other half after 15 hours of club coaching. These hours must be completed within 2 years of receiving the first payment in order to receive the second instalment. For coaches currently working towards reimbursement, a one year deadline will be applied once the coaching file is updated. Ian to inform relevant people when coaching file complete.

## **9. Polo**

New polo boats are on order and are due to be made soon, so should be delivered before too long. Likely to need new decks to fit these boats – should be in junior sizes as they are intended users. Some repairs are required to existing boats, Glenn to provide quotes to Ed as required. Glenn to send Ian dates of known tournaments ASAP so these may be integrated with calendar.

## **10. Lido 2011**

Ideas for changes to the Lido sessions for next year were discussed. Possibility of a 'general coaching' session every week, whereby there is a coach available for anybody who wants help with anything. Needs to be very flexible as we can never be sure who will turn up when! Still need to encourage additional participation from 'general' club members to assist coaches / pool side activities.

Perhaps have a 'looser' plan for courses and introduce them as we have the demand. Start off with a 1\* and 2\* in parallel, followed by a short break before a second 2\* so those on initial 1\* have a chance to practice / build up their skills. 3\* courses should be run separately, as trying to combine both was too much within timescale. Ian to ask Mark to start drafting a plan to this effect.

## **11. Flyer / Welcome Pack**

Need to double check that the flyer and welcome pack are complete (and update if not). May need to add polo info to flyer. Mike / Ed to find / update / distribute current drafts as appropriate.

## **12. Kit Hire**

It was decided that the kit hire fees should be left as is for now, but still carefully monitored.

### **13. Clothing**

General idea of jacket, hoodie and t-shirts agreed, although need to confirm logo decision. Mike to report any further (better) quotes if available. Also to generate a 'poll' on the website to help decide which t-shirt colours we should produce.

#### **Summary of Actions**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Action</b>
3. Trip Dates	Ask Mark to check dates with Tony and book accommodation	Ian/Mark
4. End of Season	Book Mytchett from 1 Dec.	Lindsay
	Come up with ideas for Mytchett sessions.	All
5. Odiham Sessions	Check with Tom how to book / get keys for Odiham pool.	Ian
7. Coaching File	Update / collate current records.	Ian/Bob
8. Coaching Funding	Inform current coaches working towards reimbursement of one year deadline for coaching hours once (7) sufficiently complete.	Ian
9. Polo	Provide quotes for necessary repairs	Glenn
	Provide a list of known tournament dates so calendar can be updated	Glenn
10. Lido 2011	Ask Mark to produce draft of new plan based on notes above.	Ian/Mark
10. Flyer / Welcome Pack	Find / Update / Distribute current drafts of flyer / welcome pack as appropriate.	Ed / Mike
13. Clothing	Communicate any further (better) quotes, if available.	Mike
	Set up poll on website for t-shirt colour options	Mike