

AGM Minutes - 20th July 2016

Blackwater Valley Canoe Club

1. Chairman Welcome and Apologies

Attendees: Gemma Clements, Owen Munford, Damian Edwards, Sophie Austin, Peter Gallagher, Paul Rose, Richard Squire, Jon Wyles, Sarah Imrie, Sandra Tripp, Anna Ludford, Nigel Robathan, Amanda Robathan, Claire Nicholas, Sophie Fail, Eric Starkie, Mark Overd, Steve Nicholas, Jack Nicholas, Mike Hamilton, Tom Page, Jack Rowley, Jake Robertson, Alex Tripp, Sam Tripp, Gary Tripp, Graham Snook, Tom Brindley, Andy Pilkington, Debi Pilkington, Evan Pilkington, Gary Thain, Aaron Thain, Alex Meiers, Simon Mood, Bob Hamilton, Tim Shellard, Helen Tidy, Paul Atkinson, David Williams, David Cook, Sandy Thomas, Rosie Thomas, Taio Thomas.

Apologies: None

2. Matters arising/minutes of the previous meeting – none discussed

3. Secretary presented summary of the year. (see appendix)

4. Treasurer presented financial report for year. This was agreed. Proposed by Bob Hamilton, seconded by Jon Wyles.

5. Secretary presented congratulations to members who achieved qualifications in the year:

Event safety management

David Williams, Steve Nicholas, Mark Overd, Bob Hamilton.

FSRT

Alex Tripp, Sam Tripp, Gary Tripp, David Williams, Jack Nicholas, Steve Nicholas, Elaine Lee, Jon Wyles, Claire Hartley.

Paddlepower Passport

Anna Hartley, Lucy Hartley, Lori Lipscombe, Evan Pilkington, Aaron Thain.

3 Star Canoe

Tim Shellard, David Williams, Steve Nicholas, Oliver Launchbury-Clark

6. Secretary presented thanks to:

Mary & Helen for their admin duties on Lido nights and presented flower & vouchers to them.

Damian Edwards for his continued support for the club

Internal course providers: Bob Hamilton and Simon Edwards.

Horsell Come & Try it volunteers: Debi Holmes-Pilkington, Oliver Launchbury-Clark, Gary Thain, Claire Hartley, Damian Edwards.

Core Summer Come & Try it volunteers: Bob Hamilton, Paul Atkinson, Gary Tripp, Alex Tripp, Sam Tripp, Steve Nicholas, Jack Nicholas, Tim Shellard, Dave Williams, Gary Thain.

Core General Coordinators & Coaching volunteers: Steve Nicholas, Jack Nicholas, Tim Shellard, Dave Williams, Bob Hamilton, Dave Cook, Colin Greaves, Jon Wyles, Andrew Pilkington, Paul Atkinson, Gary Tripp, Alex Tripp, Sam Tripp.

Core Polo coordinators & Coaching volunteers: Matt Williams, Tim Blyth, Sophie Austin, Richard Squire, Paul Rose.

External Volunteers

Jake Roberston and Mike Hamilton

7. Chairman gave special thanks to Secretary Gemma Clements for her massive amount of work for the club throughout the year.

8. Tim Shellard gave a special thank you to Mary Rogers who was leaving the club duties after many years of volunteering.

9. Paul Atkinson asked about a replacement for Mary Rogers and it was decided that there would be a few volunteers. Subsequently discussed that Debi Holmes-Pilkington, Sarah Imrie, Gemma Clements & Steve Nicholas would help rotate the task between them with Helen continuing to assist with bibs.

10. Chairman then moved on to election of new management committee and other posts, these are listed below:

Chairman Steve Nicholas, proposed by Gemma Clements, seconded by Tim Shellard

Secretary Gemma Clements, proposed by Jon Wyles, seconded by Steve Nicholas

Treasurer Damian Edwards, proposed by Tim Shellard, seconded by Bob Hamilton

Welfare & Safety Officer, Damian Edwards, proposed by Jon Wyles, seconded by Sophie Marie Austin.

Youth Rep Tim Shellard proposed by Jon Wyles, seconded by Gemma Clements.

Polo Reps Sophie Marie Austin and Richard Squire, proposed by Peter Gallagher, seconded by Jon Wyles.

Social Rep is to be continued by **Sophie Marie Austin** for the £30th Anniversary and Christmas function.

Kit Officers: Gary Tripp, Alex Tripp & Sam Tripp proposed by Tim Shellard, seconded by Gemma Clements.

No Trip organiser was elected, but **Nigel Robathan** has expressed interest in taking on this task.

It was also proposed by Gary Thain that **Anne-Marie Vinnicombe** could act as an assistant to Treasurer and **Tim Shellard** as assistant Welfare and Safety

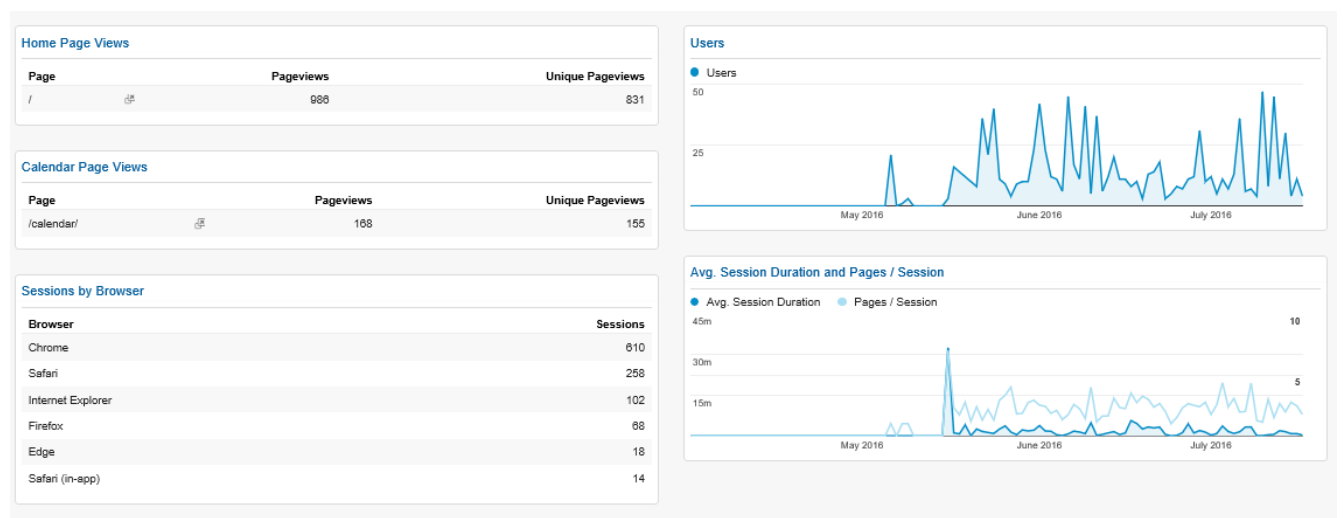
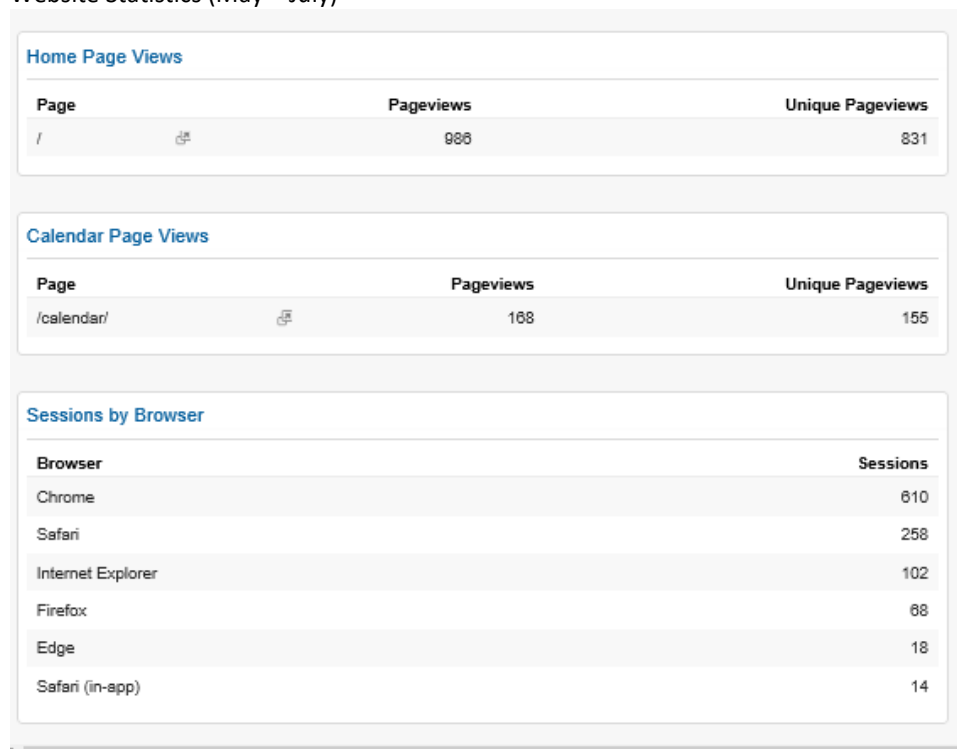
11. AOB: Tim Shellard gave a vote of thanks to outgoing Chairman Owen Munford.
12. No date was set for handover meeting.
13. Meeting closed at 8.50pm.

Appendix

Summary of Achievements

- Regular Indoor Pool throughout the winter
- Increased access to trips via more day trips and fewer weekends
- Re-vamped the website to make it mobile responsive and added web analytics
- Linked with B3C for marathon taster, and they assisted us with resolving boat storage issues at the canal
- Linked with Shepperton for moving water and slalom taster sessions
- Hosted moving water taster sessions to help increase opportunities to practise white water skills
- Polo A's ranked 3rd in Div 3 National and Polo B's ranked 3rd in Div 4 National
- Polo Bandits ranked 4th in the Div 2 South East Region
- First year with a ladies' team league entry
- Forged links with USCC where there now is some membership crossover
- Re-evaluated the come and try it program to increase consistency for coaches

Website Statistics (May – July)

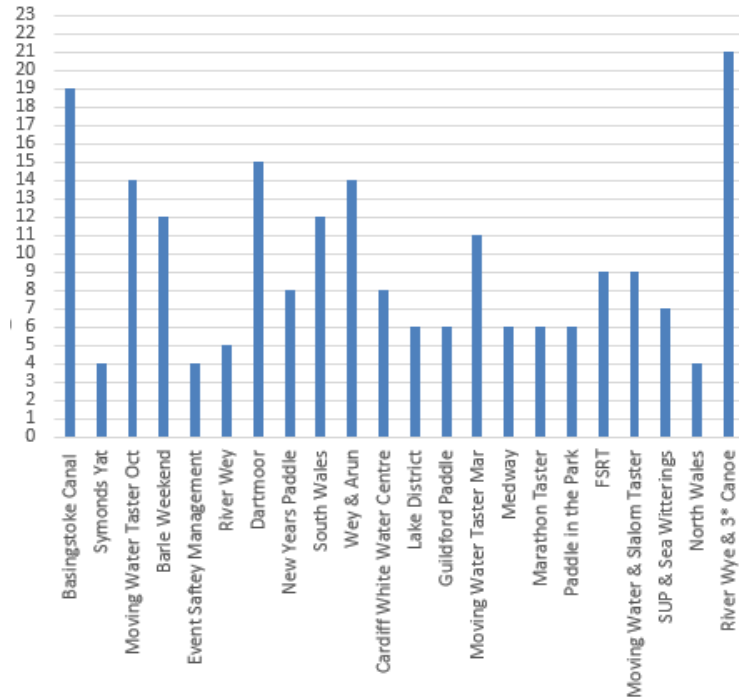


Total Members for 2015-2016: 102

Events

Hosted: 22

Average Attendance: 9-10



Sessions (from October 2015)

General Sessions Hosted: 28, Group "Come & Try Its" Hosted: 10 (to date!)

Average General Sessions Attendance Overall: 20 (Horsell: 15, Canal: 20, Lido: 36)

