

Nairn Coastal Rowing Club – Committee Meeting Agenda

Boathouse: Thursday 4 December 2025, 7pm

Present: Alison, Bob, Catriona, Dot, Kirsty, Laura, Nick, Greg

Apologies: Mairi, Matt, Sally M, Sally W

Welcome:

Matters Arising:

1. Roller door - Greg
 - a. Issue with the fitting of the rollers has meant they had moved position under the cover. Sand / Salt getting into the mechanism is creating a sandpaper surface on the roller which is damaging the paint on the door. The electric cable is in a poor position and exposed to sharp bits of metal.
 - b. Greg will contact the installation company to discuss, should be able to fix it ourselves by adding in missing bolts and relocating the wire.
 - c. Greg will repaint the worn part of the door next week when there are no rows scheduled.
2. Affiliation with sailing club
 - a. Action: All to read the affiliation documents circulated by Alison on Whatsapp on 31 October (Word Doc + Spreadsheet)
 - b. Summary: £627 per year includes a monthly meeting in the committee room and 1 AGM in the upstairs room, plus use of toilets and showers at any time. We probably don't need a monthly meeting space so will likely ask for a modified allowance and fee.
 - c. Action: Alison to collate comments from all and to get updated figures from Stuart to present at the AGM.
3. Whatsapp chat & social media
 - a. Issue raised by a member that these platforms should not be used to share 'political' content. Agree that the chat should be used to discuss rowing / social and community events only (beach cleans etc.)
 - b. Action: Laura to come up with some simple guidelines for use and behaviours for club members.
4. Website issues - Domain Name & Website Fees - Laura
 - a. LCN Domain Name - 5 years paid £88.79 incl VAT (Till December 2030)
 - b. Wix website - Will be moved onto the Light Plan which is the cheapest and seems reasonable at this stage for what we do. 3 year fee due 21 Dec. £259 (up from £219). (Till Dec 2028). Agreed this can be paid.
5. Moray FLOW Park Development - Alison was at the recent meeting however the Nairn part of the development has now been dropped. We will keep up to date with any progression in the application.
6. SCRA - summary and survey
 - a. Any training requests from the club should be sent to Wendy Clements

- b. 5 Harbours row will be hosted 2nd May 2026. Limited to 20 Skiffs. To reserve a place email Wendy or Julie Anne. Action: Laura to reserve a place.
- c. Video of training technique presented at AGM by Tim Down will be shared in early spring.
- d. Membership fees have increased to £80 for clubs with more than 20 members

Membership Update:

- 1 new member - Emma Stewart
- Come and Try row on Sunday 7th December

Treasurer Report:

- Current Account: £ 5,178.86 Savings: £ 10,103.45

Regattas / Social events:

- Planning for winter solstice event on Sunday 21st December
 - Hot drinks, mince pies and merriment at the boatshed. 12:00 - 15:00
 - Will get the skiffs out if the weather allows
 - Action: Kirsty to update calender and share event on Whatsapp.
 - Action: Laura will extend invite to other water uses to stop by for a hot drink and set up a £2 donation QR code for mobile payment via SumUp.
- Monthly winter club nights, confirm topics - 14/1/26, 11/2/26, 11/3/26
 - 14th Jan: Life Jacket clinic with Jeanette
 - 11th Feb: Radios & Knots with Berny and Robbie
 - 11th March: Weather for rowers with Matt.
 - There will also be a session on tides hosted at the sailing club, date to TBC.
 - CPR Hopefully will be hosted in early April
 - The invitation has been extended to Findhorn Rowing Club and all events have been added to the calendar / shared on Whatsapp.
- Update on Nairn Regatta
 - Proposed date Sunday 14 June. 9.30 start for races due to afternoon high tide, 10 skiffs max.
 - THC have confirmed there are no other events on that date.
 - Action: Dot to organise a regatta committee meeting for early January

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

- Agreed that a mini step ladder needed for the boatshed for access to higher shelves and for reaching into the boats. Action: Kirsty to arrange.
- Summer programme: Agreed we should canvas members to what activities they would like to see the club host next year which are not competitive. This will be done at the club nights to gather ideas.

Review Actions from last meeting:

Start	Who	What	Complete?
29/10/25	Matt	will check criteria for the Haventus Community Benefit Fund as it might be a possible source of funding for the Regatta.	Done - Action for Matt to apply for funding.
	Sally M	will check criteria for the Get Active Highland fund.	
	Bob	provide advice about other suitable bodies.	Done - Laura will look into the Ward Discretionary Fund.
29/10/25	Catriona/Laura	to explore costs and venues of a film night.	In progress
29/10/25	Sally M	To obtain costs of new cones and tape for the front of the boatshed.	Complete & purchased
29/10/25	Laura	To discuss with Kay and Stella next steps in using Sum Up for managing kit orders.	On hold until the new year
29/10/25	Laura/Catriona	To contact other groups like Blue Space and supermarkets for possible donations for winter solstice.	Laura has contacted other water uses / decided we will purchase refreshments ourselves.

New actions arising

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4/12/2025	All	Read the club affiliation document and feed comments back to Alison	
	Alison	<p> Affiliation agreement draft v0.2.d...</p> <p> NSC - DRAFT affiliation with ex...</p> <p>Collate comments and get updated figures from Stuart to present at the AGM.</p>	
	Matt	How much has been spent on room hire in the past 12 months (Sailing Club / Bowling Club)	Done. £250 spent in 2025 - £70 Sailing Club and £180 Bowling Club for AGM / Club Nights / Post Worlds Social.
4/12/2025	Laura	Email SCRA to reserve place on 5 Harbours Row	Emailed Wendy 7/12/25. Place confirmed.
4/12/2025	Laura	Come up with some simple guidelines for use and behaviours for club members using Whatsapp / Facebook	Done and agreed with committee. Has been shared via the newsletter
4/12/2025	Kirsty	Solstice Row Update calender and share event on Whatsapp.	Done
	Laura	Extend invite to other water uses to stop by for a hot drink and set up a £2 donation QR code for mobile payment via SumUp.	
4/12/2025	Dot	Organise regatta meeting in early January	
4/12/25	Kirsty	Source step ladder for boatshed	

Date of the next meeting: Wednesday 7th January

Meeting ended 20:20

Link to outstanding actions from previous meetings: [NCRC Actions](#)