

Nairn Coastal Rowing Club – Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday 25 March 2026, 7.15pm

Present: Alison, Kirsty, Nick, Dot, Laura

Apologies: Catriona, Matt, Mairi, Bob, Sally M, Sally W

Matters Arising:

1. Feedback from AGM and actions:

- AGM was positive and members unanimously agreed that the club should pursue affiliation with the sailing club.
- Increase in membership fees to £55. Member fees are to be paid by end of April. Social membership will remain at £10 and concession can be discussed with the treasures or membership secretary where required.
- The treasures report details why the fees have had to increase.
- Gift Aid forms reminders to be sent out to the club.
- Action: Matt to remind members to complete Gift Aid declarations so their donations are eligible or gift and that the upper limit for gift aid donations is £30. Matt to check who has already completed these and let them know.
- Action: Laura to share final AGM docs with the club via Whatsapp. These should also be added to the newsletter.

2. Sailing Club Affiliation -

- Alison will meet with the chair of the sailing club to agree terms. Members will be kept up to date as things progress.
- Storage - we currently have regatta items in storage at the sailing club, Alison will enquire how storage could be managed as part of the affiliation.
- Action: Alison to progress with the sailing club and provide updates to the club.
- Action: Alison to talk to John Ashford about getting an inventory of the items in storage at the sailing club.

3. Oars

- Oars have been returned to Nairn after being taken by mistake due to a misunderstanding.
- Action: Alison to liaise with John Farquhar to arrange the correct oars to be trialled by Findhorn.

4. Newsletter

- Item about affiliation
- Membership fee increase to £55, social membership fees will remain at £10.
- Links to AGM documents
- Link to gift aid form and reminder of £30 limit

- Come and Try Row - 19th April. 7 new rowers coming to have a try.
- Final Club Night: CPR and Defibrillator training - April 1st 7pm, Nairn Bowling Club.
- Reminder to sign up for 5 Harbours Row, 2nd May.

Membership Update:

No new members this month.

Treasurer Report:

Account: £4536.28. Savings: £10,121.87

Boat Maintenance & Kit:

- **Life Jacket servicing** - 2 life jackets away being serviced. Due back 6/4/26. (Taking about 5 weeks). Then will take the next two to be serviced.
- Boat painting: April may be a good time to get Dulsie sanded and repainted.
- Action: Alison to talk to John Ashford to get a schedule going for maintenance.

Health & Safety:

- Update on roller door - Greg has replaced the tape on most of the plastic rollers. Touched up the paintwork where it is worn. Still needs to re-route the wiring of the motor flex and replace panel.
- Doors to boatshed - we are having trouble getting access using fobs. Consider it moving to a key+key box would be a better solution.
- Action: Bob to research options and discuss at the next meeting.
- Out of date first aid kits in the boatshed. First aid kit (items exp 03 2026) and Eye Wash first aid (saline solutions between 4 and 6 years out of date).
- Action: Laura to contact Jeanette about replacing these.
- Action: Laura to contact lead coxes to check the bags and let the committee know whats missing / make sure the contents are the same in both.

Regattas / Social events:

- Action: Laura to respond to Appin Coastal Rowing Club about their request to row in company Nairn.
- There will be 3 or 4 non-competitive social events for club in the summer months (May - September).

Action: Dot to look at suitable dates for tides in Nairn / Ardersier area. Laura to look into taking the skiff to Loch Morlich and a potential row in company with a different club.

- A poll of members showed interest in Saturday social rows which will be at the same time every weekend. These will run from April to October. Time and date of first session to be communicated soon, will likely be mid April this year.

Action: Kirsty to set up first Saturday Social row

- Action: Laura to contact Jeanette to arrange a date for the RNLI rescue training session.

Club Nights

Final club meeting is CPR - 1st April Confirmed and communicated via Whatsapp.

Action: Alison to let trainer know.

AOB

- We have been liaising with Ailsa at Inverness RC regarding Active Schools and Development work. Alison, Nick and Bob are attending an Outreach meeting on the 31st March in relation to this. This is a positive step towards getting a youth team set up within the club. There is likely to be a demo event to showcase Nairn's watersports on 19th September which we would hope to be involved in. The club needs be registered on the THC Highland Highlife Evolve system to work with schools / youths. We will aim to get this admin and background work done so we are in a good position to progress with Active Schools.

Action: Kirsty to engage with Evolve to understand what we need for PVG checks etc.

Date of the next committee meeting: 30 April 2026, 7pm, Boatshed

Actions

Start	Who	What	Complete
25/03/2026	Matt	Matt to remind members to complete Gift Aid declarations so their donations are eligible or gift and that the upper limit for gift aid donations is £30. Matt to check who has already completed these and let them know.	Complete

25/03/2026	Laura	Share final AGM docs with the club via Whatsapp. These should also be added to the newsletter	
25/03/2026	Alison	progress affiliation wiith the sailing club and provide updates to the club.	
25/03/2026	Alison	Talk to John Ashford about getting an inventory of the items in storage at the sailing club.	
25/03/2026	Alison	Lliaise with John Farqhual to arrange the correct oars to be trialled by Findhorn.	
25/03/2026	Alison	Talk to John Ashford to get a schedule going for maintenance	
25/03/2026	Bob	Research alternative options for locks and discuss at the next meeting. Would a key and keybox be the most straight forward option?	
25/03/2026	Laura	Contact Jeanette about replacing these.	
25/03/2026	Laura	contact lead coxes to check the bags and let the committee know whats missing / make sure the contents are the same in both.	
25/03/2026	Laura	Respond to Appin Coastal Rowing Club about their request to row in company Nairn.	
25/03/2026	Kirsty	Kirsty to set up first Saturday Social row	
25/03/2026	Laura	Laura to contact Jeanette to arrange a date for the RNLI rescue training session.	

25/03/2026	Kirsty	Kirsty to engage with Evolve to understand what we need for PVG checks etc.	
25/03/2026	Alison	Let CPR training know we want to go ahead with the training on the 1st April.	

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