**Minutes of the Liverpool Canoe Club**

**Annual General Meeting held at Liverpool Marina 10/10/2019**

**Welcome from the chair & review of the year**

Fiona Barry (FB) welcomed those present to the AGM and summarised the activities and successes of the club over the past 12months.

FB introduced a showing of the new LCC Promotional video, which can be viewed on the club website. Many thanks to Chris Murphy for an excellent production.

**1.Apologies for Absence** received prior to the meeting from:

Frankie Annan, John Pegram, Kathy Morton, Colin Smith, Dave and Fiona Gentle, Karl Tatum, Craig Ellingham.

**2.Minutes of the previous AGM** – [Click here](http://liverpoolcanoeclub.co.uk/members/Club%20Documents/Minutes/)

Signed as a true record by the Chair FB

**2a. Matters Arising** - none

**3.Treasurers report Year End Accounts** – [Click here](http://liverpoolcanoeclub.co.uk/members/Accounts/)

Full details of the club’s financial position and all transactions can be viewed on the website by members.

A small Sports fund grant was received from Liverpool Council.

Membership is very healthy with a present membership of over 600.

**4.Brief reports from each discipline (2 minutes each)**

***Sea Kayaking*** summary by Gareth Jones: A successful year with well attended Anglesey weekends, popular trips to Scotland and Pembrokeshire, North Wales outings with 2 circumnavigations of Anglesey over the August Bank Holiday. A very successful Hilbre Island race, and a LCC expedition to the Lofoten Islands Norway .

***White Water*** summary by John Allerton: Activities included trips to the Alps, Scotland plus more local visits to the Dee, Tryweryn, Burrs Goyt, Rothay, Irwell and Tees. Plus a very successful trip to Sun Khosi River in Nepal. Many Improvers sessions on local water throughout the year.

***Open Boats*** summary presented by Mike Alter: Successful Activities with progression from Docks to rivers such as the Dee and Severn, with weekend trips organised by Carl Yung Leungsangnam. Encouragement for progression to moving water, with the use of poling and sailing techniques, a trip to the Spey and Tay are planned. The Open Canoe Symposium 2019 is in North Wales.

***Surf*** summary presented by Paul Harwood: Surfing at Crosby as popular as ever, sessions posted regularly and all welcome, onshore winds only.

***Canoe Polo*** summary presented by Josh Cook: Successful teams throughout the year winning cups and high league positions. Polo sessions at Halewood pool every Tuesday, for polo development or just a taster, would like enough interest for another team to be formed including a female team.

***Safety Cover*** summary presented by Jim Duffy: LCC Kayak support given for many events throughout the year, including, Leeds World Series triathlon, Castle Howard Tri, Bolton Ironman, Yorkshire Tough Mudder, London Tri, Coniston swim, Windermere one way Swim and others. SESA award run by the club qualifies kayakers to participate as safety cover, contact safety cover representative if interested.

***Marathon & Racing*** summary presented by KS on behalf of Colin Smith: Please contact Colin if interested in this activity. He will be taking part in such events as the Conwy Ascent, Hilbre Race and the 60th Liffy Descent, and is regularly training on the Dee .

***Stand up Paddleboard*** summary presented by KS on behalf of Jayne Rigby: LCC has a number of SUPs and Jayne has been running very successful SUP sessions. Development from docks to open water is to be encouraged.

***Coaching*** summary presented by Ian Bell: Encouragement of members to gain and increase coaching qualification to support coaching in the club, speak to Dave Reynolds or Ian Bell.

***Slalom.*** Michal Giezgala: Any Member interested in Slalom to contact Michal.

***Freestyle.*** Graham Devaney reports: Freestyle activity was at a lower level this year, Graham hopes to pick up the interest in the following year.

***Juniors.*** Ian Colwyn reports that the junior Club is constantly growing with many families joining in and enjoying learning together, with large numbers on the water during the evening dock sessions, and the pool sessions fully booked.

**5. Members Motions**

**None received**

**6. Chair thanks all volunteers that have coordinated and guided the club over the past year.**

Special thanks to those who are moving on:

* **Stuart Toulson** White Water
* **Jayne Rigby** SUP
* **Peter Massey** Notice Boards
* **Ian Colwyn** Junior / Youth Coordinator
* **Dermot Miller S**OT
* **Gareth Jones** Sea
* **Dave Collins and Karl Tatum** Assistant Safeguarding

**7. Election of Officers** – Proposed list of those willing to stand for 2018 -19

***Chair*** – Fiona Barry

***Secretary*** – Carole Thomas

***Treasurer*** – Craig Ford

***Membership Secretary & Volunteers*** – Keith Steer

**Lead Safeguarding Officer** – Sharon Walters

**Assistant Safeguarding Officer** - John Fay

***Publicity*** – Pete Thomas

***Grants*** - Nicky Corbett

***Junior / Youth Coordinator*** –Steve Alcock

***Notice boards*** –Carl Leungs and Steve Gille

***Kingsway pool on Monday*** – Dominic Fahey; Stuart Conway; Nick Coughlin; Dave Reynolds & Keith Steer;

***“Discipline Representatives***” to advise members / act as a point of contact:

***Coaching Coordinator*** – Dave Reynolds

***Technical Coaching Advisor*** – Ian Bell

***Canoe Polo*** – Josh Cook

***Sea*** – Ian Bell assisted by Roger Coleman

***White Water*** – John Allerton, John Cooke, Dave and Fiona Gentle

***Freestyle*** – - Graham Devaney

***Open Boat*** –Mike Alter and Ruth Edwards

***Kayak Safety Cover*** – Jim Duffy assisted by Dave Rider

***Slalom*** – Michal Giezgala

***Racing*** – Colin Smith

***Surf*** –Karl Tatum and Paul Harwood

***SOT*** – Julie Brookes

***SUP*** – Brian Green

***Equipment Officers-*** Craig Ellingham & Alex Peacock Maintenance Coordinator (Docks). Steve Alcock(Docks & Broadgreen). Dominic Fahey (Kingsway)

***Stewardship group members without specific responsibilities***- John Pegram, Martin Sinnott, Josie Moss, Mark Benson and Richard Clews.

**8. Paddler of the Year / Young paddler of the Year / Volunteer of the Year Award** – Awards presented by the chair Fiona Barry, summary of all the nominees available on the club website.

***Paddler of the Year*** – Martin Sinnott

***Young Paddler of the Year*** – Aleksander Ford

***Volunteer of the Year*** – Dave Reynolds

**9.00 to 9:45pm - Club expeditions video/stills presentation**

Photos of Lofoten Islands Sea Kayak 2019, Sun Khosi Nepal 2019 video by Chris Murphy , and World Premiere of – French Alps 2019 by Sarah Gille.

**Attendance** of 72 members

**Date and time of next meeting: 8th October 2020 7:30pm**