



# Ullapool Coastal Rowing Club Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: 07/04/2020 19:00-20:15

Where: Virtual Meeting on Zoom

Present: Tom, William, Isla, India, Topher, Jonathan and Ron

## Agenda:

1. UCRC Regatta plans
2. Row around Scotland updates
3. Upcoming Dutch regatta
4. Club website/social media
5. Club membership fees

## AOB

1. Due to the current Covid-19 outbreak the decision needed to be made if the Club's regatta should go ahead as planned or be cancelled or even postponed. The Club Committee all voted yes to carry on with our regatta as planned for the time being. With the regatta planning JR has emailed the Muir of Ord Industrial to provide portaloos for the regatta weekend however he has not heard anything back and due to this JR will call them for more information.  
Topher received an email from the Highland Council saying they've pulled our booking for the primary school play pitch to be used as a campsite due to the ongoing outbreak. Upon this nearer the time when everything is a bit clearer, Topher will ask the Highland Council about placing our booking for the pitch once again.  
Before Covid-19, Topher spoke to Harbourmaster Kevin Peach about the Club's regatta ceilidh and Kevin proposed the idea of an open air ceilidh on the pier which the committee seemed to deem that it was a good idea in the summer weather. For the Clubs regatta ceilidh JR is to call Robert Hicks about the package he offered which included a bar, security and potentially a band, Tom is also to call Kathleen about potentially playing at the ceilidh with her folk group Kathleen + Friends. Due to the ceilidh being on the pier it is also the same date as The Rotary Club's Pier Day and Tom is going to call Tony Oulton about coordinating pier day and the clubs ceilidh.  
Ron has suggested a future date to where the committee will make a final decision closer to the time of the regatta which is to decide if the regatta is still ongoing, this decision will be made either on or slightly before the 10<sup>th</sup> of June. Topher and Tom will email all attending clubs to say the regatta is still ongoing as planned but will also mention about the 10<sup>th</sup> of June where the committee will once again vote if the regatta should still go on.
2. Row Around Scotland has introduced Virtual Row Around Scotland which consists of clubs during their slot to instead of rowing due to current events to take pictures of areas they would have been rowing to and to write stories to be sent to the Row Around Scotland Facebook page so all rowers can see what each club would of done during their row. Tom suggested the idea of instead of taking pictures and writing stories to potentially get members of the club to row on rowing machines and to get the overall club to do the distance which was provided to us by Row Around Scotland.

More discussion is to be had with where the rowing on the rowing machines could be done and if we can obtain rowing machines.

3. The Dutch regatta which is to be held by Woudrichem WSV at the end of May, 10 youth rowers are due to be attending and being looked after and escorted to by Tom Grant and Christine Crook, the youth rowers aim is to raise £2000 to cover costs of travel and accommodation and they have overall raised a total of £850 by doing a local car wash and were gifted £500 from The Harbour Trust Board. As of yet the Woudrichem to the committee's knowledge has not cancelled their regatta however Tom is to email Gerlinda or Annette for up to date information about if their regatta is still ongoing.
4. Ron and Martin from the Isle of Skye have designed draft website ideas which Topher and JR have assisted with by giving ideas and what the club is looking for. The website should have membership forms and will be updated with minutes from club meetings, regatta results and much more. The Ullapool Coastal Rowing Club public Facebook page will also be regularly updated so the wider public can see what the club is up to. India has taken the role of managing the Facebook page and website by regularly updating them with new information
5. Recently the vote for the membership fees took place with an overall 25 votes placed, the option that had the most votes was Option 1 which is to keep the subs the same for the time being, however the committee has agreed to not charge for the subs until rowing is resumed and the cost will be recalculated based on whatever proportion of the year we get for the 2020 season. Ron has put forward the idea of receiving membership fees by BACS when the time comes.

**AOB:** Topher is to chase up the bank signatures for Tom and William. JR is to send Tom his convenors folder.

**Date of next meeting: Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> of May on Zoom at 19:00**

Minutes taken by  
**India Poe**  
**UCRC Secretary**