

MECBC Committee Meeting

6.30pm, Saturday 16th January – The Bar

Minutes

Present: Emily Busvine, Heather Dudley, Abbie Vernon, Bekah Holubinka, Olimpia Onelli, Emma Roth, Lulu Saliou, Taine Ranaghan, Maria Rust, Simona Sulikova, Kate Wilkinson

Apologies sent by: Wing Ying Chow, Nadia Blackshaw, Joaquina Delas Vives

Committee Meeting Agenda for 16.1.16

1. **Emily:** Training camp
 - a. Dates: 12th-17th April
 - b. Flights:
 - i. British Airways round trip £83 Gatwick-Bordeaux
 - ii. 12.4 – 6:50-9:25
17.4 – 22:55-23:25 *Difficult to get to Gatwick at 4am, but the return flights are better. Overall these are preferred as they maximise rowing time.*
 - iii. These times are slightly annoying, but that way we won't have to pay for an extra night of accommodation!
 - iv. EasyJet round trip £84 Gatwick-Bordeaux
 - v. 12.4 – 8:40-11:15
17.4 – 18:50-19:25
 - vi. *6 days minus one for travelling*
 - vii. *It is likely that priority will be given to those rowing in the first and second crews. The coaches will have a say in who comes.*
 - c. Deposits: In the next week, I will send out another email to gauge interest for the camp (including ex-novices); when enough people have signed up, I will ask for a deposit of £50-100 to make sure that they are actually committed and really need to find a substitute if they decide to back out! *Agreed that this is a good suggestion, possibly request the full amount.*
2. Neptunes Dinner
 - a. Send out a reminder for RSVP? *Uptake has been slow. Catering need numbers by 23rd January. Will send out two more reminders.*

Abbie: send out another reminder to the Alumni network. Put an invitation on the public Facebook page.

- b. Fundraising/Raffle (Taine) Silent auction during drinks reception for Donna's kit, announce winner before dessert. Taine has written letters to companies in Cambridge and will send them on Monday. Ask Fudge company and Cath Kidston in particular
 - c. **Laurane:** consider getting in contact with Donna to invite her.
 - d. **Abbie:** Need to find mailing list needed for fellows in order to invite them. It would be ideal to explain in person the purpose
 - e. Change reception end to 8.15 so more time for auction bids
3. Lent Bumps Dinner
- Abbie and Bekah** are to have a meeting about this.
4. Squad Plans
- a. Coxes

Julia, Fidelia, Emily (possibility of one outing a week), maybe Christina. Joaquina still recovering.

- b. How many crews?

Three competitive crews and a W4.

- c. Races

Not H2H (not ready yet) or Bedford.

W1: WEHoRR, Pembroke Regatta

W2: Getting on Race, Pembroke Regatta

W3: Getting on Race, maybe Pembroke or possibly Robinson instead.

W4: Getting on Race

- d. Coaches rotating
- e. Coached ergs

Reana will continue with these, **Lulu** and Christina will help out. It is important to teach ex-novices how to set up the ergs. **Emma** has offered her help.

- f. Multiple fitness sessions (W1/W3 on one day; W2/W4 on the other)

Additional sessions available during the week

Public record for additional exercise. Not erg scores, but perhaps the number of ergs completed or distance on the water. Ex-novices in particular need to be aware of the importance of land training, and everyone needs encouragement. **Heather** suggests offering a weekly chocolate reward to those doing particularly well.

Cross-training groups: Running and cycling. Use records as a platform to get people to form groups.

5. Ergs
 - a. Money is there – Robert will give us access

*About £2500- **Maria** will get in touch with Robert. Needs to discuss collection.*

- b. Let college know, but if no one will claim the table tennis table we should probably go ahead.

*Still do not know who the table tennis table belongs to. Get Robert to chase up Chris Pope – **Maria** should CC Robert in on emails.*

- c. *Emma: Talk to Robert about money for parts for Owen (e.g. new shoes).*
 - d. *Will need mats and some sort of speakers eventually. These should come after the ergs so we can see how they are being used.*
 - e. *Should perhaps chain them up to prevent non-members using them. However, just standing them up might be enough of a deterrent to those not familiar with using them.*

6. WeHORR

- a. Entry deadline
 - b. Trailering – with City. **Ying**: Find out who they are boating with so that we can boat nearby.
 - c. Where to boat from
 - d. **Ying**: Remember that those competing will need British Rowing membership.

7. Subs

- a. New collection system (Emma)

*Still have subs from last term that are unpaid. Emmanuel have got college to add their boat club subs to the college bill. **Emma** to talk to the relevant people.*

8. *Emily has talked to Robert about selling the four. Can be too light and unstable for rowers without a lot of experience. A number of committee members have expressed disagreement with selling. It is agreed that it is not worth getting another one for the amount which we use it.*
9. *Need to finish collecting money for Mark's blazer. Currently stand at half the total. Emma will transfer what we have so far. Need correspondence from **Joaquina**.*
10. *New blazer manufacturer found. Contact CUCBC. Robert has expressed interest (case for Easter term).*