

Oxford University Caving Club

Hilary AGM 25th February 2010

Minutes

THOSE PRESENT

- Andrew Mawer
- Jamie Jordan
- Steve Roberts
- Paul Savage
- Rosa Clements
- Lou Maurice
- Fleur Loveridge
- Lorna Wilson
- Mohan Pillajanakiraman
- Tim Guilford
- Pod (Chris Cooper)
- Andrew Morgan
- Simon Goddard

Quorate

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS TGM

- AMo – last term successful for DTT articles, bad this term
 - Eve wrote a particularly good article – mandate AMo to get her to write more articles
 - Send out reminders to the large number of new people
- SR – John Pybus has not attempted to sort out club account although Hilary has offered to help. Situation getting serious, need to justify accounting to sports fed. About 2 years backlog. John needs to be involved, counterproductive to take the accounts from him.
- SG – emailed John, asking him to ask to help. Reply – not in a position to take help as accounts not in a state for anyone to help. John's accounting system was based on a very complex access database and a large quantity of email traffic. Really, someone just needs to encourage him. Asking John for a date had no effect.
 - SG mandated to contact John again.
- PS – sports fed reasonably happy with the measures we're putting in place, maybe John should be told this. Really need John but he must turn up in person. Maybe put out an amnesty.
- TG- must accept some short cuts
- Pod – need some appeals process if accounting is going to be rough
- Hilary can get "action" out of John
- JJ – all kit labelled, but can't find stamps
 - Go to Smith and Lowe in Cowley to buy new stamps
- JJ successfully bought Garish log book, but left at Bullpot farm!

- SR will get “beardy” to hang on to it
 - Log book has been quite poorly used.
- LW – Christmas/new years trip was a success so ha to all those freshers that didn't come.
- LW – more training for expo still needed.
- TG – a good level of training for expo has been going on, Gavin said he was impressed with SRT abilities. Hooray for Lorna!
- FL – Draenen: PDCMG meeting in December about extra entrance, majority of caving community does not want a further entrance, PDCMG voted that they did not want to see any access through this entrance. Cave will return to key access rather than code access (comes into force next month), we have applied for a key and are waiting on delivery (action to agree suitable storage location), access may deteriorate even further as landowner is very irate by lack of respect, issued ultimatum: if a solution that satisfies him is not agreed upon then he will remove access to the entire cave, some members resigned from the PDCMG after the vote and are still making trouble, ,
- TG – unhappy that a restricted key system is the outcome of this controversy
- SG – currently not receiving money from uni because our accounts are in a mess, club should however decide on what they want to be trained on so we can claim money, no deadline, sports fed wants to see external involvement in safety
- Lou – should spend a proportion of the money on inexperienced expo members
 - JJ to decide where to keep the key.
- LW – Tony running mid-rope rescue training for free,
- Lou – expo and safety officers to write something to sports fed.
- PS – can we get money for equipment, SG probably not as equipment is good.
- JJ – should try to get JJ and AMs £250 Wilderness Medicine Course.
- Tim to represent us at CCC (when Draenen is on the agenda) Tim's views are widely known in the club and he is supported
 - vote proposed by pod, Tim will protect environment and should be empowered to vote on these issues on our behalf, views on OD not changed since last meeting, Tim will take these views to the CCC meeting: 12 voted for 1 abstained (Tim)
- Steve mandated to represent OUCC views to BCA if required (see Tim) at BCA 12 voted for 1 abstained (Steve), A letter authorising the official OUCC delegate to the BCA meeting is required, to be signed by chair, treasurer or secretary.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- President (Steve Roberts)
 - No report, Happy to continue in post
- Treasurer (Simon Goddard)
 - Accounts fine, club is solvent, money collection is efficient, awesome! Happy to continue in this position
 - Club is grateful to Simon's efforts, set charges for weekend a good idea
 - £41 in the black on trips
- Meets Sec (Lorna Wilson)
 - Difficulty getting people to organise weekends, need more help
 - Transport is the main problem

- Had to turn away lots of keen cavers – anyone eligible for minibus course?
Had to hire cars almost every year
- AMo – split up weekend organising job into lots of other jobs i.e. foodbuyer etc.
- LW – caving weekend food order online that gets delivered to the hut, although would need to be done on Wednesday. Would standardise the amount of food we need.
- PS make an algorithm for calculating food from the number of people.
- LW – notes that 1st weekend was cancelled
- TG – thinks interaction with Wednesday nights is important, need more emphasis on socials, could be made compulsory as part of the weekend.
- SR – could use public transport, most places are accessible, but expensive
- PS – this term has been a bit of an anomaly, lots of people very busy.
- In general, a little more effort from everyone.
- Permit requests: lost John's, Otter hole, Craig a fynnn
- Social secretary (Andrew Mawer)
 - G&Ds v. Poorly attended
 - Card games suggested for next year.
 - Resurrect the tradition of coming back to SEH, instead of the pub. Venue is consistent, steve can book the hearne room if necessary, could act as an overflow if the bar gets too busy – social sec mandated
 - Punting
 - BBQ
 - Poker night
 - Squeeze machine
 - OUMC/OUCC ceilidh really fun
 - Important to produce term card, maybe even on paper.
- Gear officer (Jamie Jordan)
 - Fair bit of gear simply missing: 9 batteries down etc, most of it relocated
 - Send an email saying you will be charged if you don't get it back
 - Need a better way of signing gear in and out.
 - Have a pre-written list?
- DTT (Andrew Morgan)
 - A bit rubbish for articles
 - AMo been pretty busy
- Safety (Lou Maurice)
 - Expedition call out protocol, to be circulated in expo
- Chair (Paul Savage)
 - Apologies for being busy and not showing up. Should be back to usual self next term.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS

- President, webmaster, librarian, alumni officer
- Steve Roberts -unanimous
- Meets sec
 - Paul Savage – 12 for TG against
 - Lorna Wilson will help

- Treasurer
 - Simon Goddard – unanimous
- Gear officer
 - Mohan Pillajanakiraman – unanimous
- Secretary
 - Andrew Mawer – 12 for TG against.
- Chair
 - Jamie Jordan – unanimous
- Safety officer
 - Lou Maurice – unanimous (except TG abstains)
- DTT editor
 - Andrew Morgan – unanimous
- Women's captain
 - Rosa Clements – unanimous
- Possible positions
 - Tim Guilford
- IT meister
 - Pod – unanimous

OTHER BUSINESS

- Next TGM = 6th week
- Club notes Ben Lovett is awesome

EXPEDITION

- LW – people should keep going on weekends
- PS and AM changeover of accounts
 - Ben owes £100