

# Oxford University Caving Club

## Trinity TGM 2012

### Minutes

**Present - JW, VL, BH, OK, RC (not quorum)**

#### Apologies for absences

Steve Roberts (President)

Thomas Leung (Secretary)

#### Matters Arising from the AGM

- Regular up-to-date of the club membership list and insurance status.
- (Insured) Membership list, financial breakdown and year meet list will be included in the minutes onwards.
- Club authorises £350 for Ben Hudson to buy new helmets
- Money has been given - Ben asked for £225 for five helmets
- A massive clean-up needed for the hut, including sorting out willies, ropes, etc.
- Ben has done it. More to follow.
- A deposit system is suggested in order to avoid drop out just before trips.

#### Committee members' reports:

##### President (SR)

Nothing to report

##### Chairman (VL)

- Sorry to have been so absent this term, I promise next term I will have far far less on and will be super keen and in-your-face with emails again (don't lie, I know you missed them). Nothing much seems to have come up this term other than, in case you don't already know, we have officially been granted Half Blues for men and women and can start nominating for them after our next Varsity match which should be good. I'd also like to note that Thomas has been amazing this term because, despite some debilitating injury which has confined him to the Far East, he has been organising pub meets, helping with expo stuff, and generally being as useful as humanly possible when on the other side of the world. It's much appreciated!

##### Secretary (TL)

- Firstly apologised for absence in any of the TT socials due to personal health issue and promise to catch up later.
- Number of members attending social varies from 2-8 so far this term, as reported by Meets Sec - Olaf. Eagle and Child was the pub with the most attendance.
- The issue of membership list, finance break down will be handled once I am in Oxford - meeting between Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary.

- About old expedition logbooks: Fleur Loveridge got the logbook of last year's expedition, will return once the final report is issued. It is confirmed that Gavin Lowe got "a few" old log books and will try to hunt them out.
- BBQ is organised in week 6, the day of 30<sup>th</sup> May, Wednesday. Chris Densham agreed to lend us the garden for the event. Details will be sent later via email.
- The date of punting is not yet confirmed, as it will depend on St. Anne's schedule. I cannot book anything when I am away; the booking requires filling forms in person at the lodge... It also depends on the number of members who want to join and how many punting boats I can get. Of course, it is for free. Details will be sent via email later.

### **Meets Sec (OK)**

- We've had two holiday caving trips between HT and TT 2012 (Easter Holiday):
  1. North Wales, 4 OUCC members joining CUCC on a Croesor-Rhosydd weekend
  2. Yorkshire, 2 OUCC members joining Easegill path repair weekend
- In TT, four trips are organised and still going ahead:
  - Yorkshire, approximately 10 OUCC members doing rescue training
  - South Wales, approximately 8 OUCC members, scheduled for 12.-13.5.
  - Devon, scheduled 19.-20.5.
  - Yorkshire, scheduled 2.-3.6.
- We failed to get permits for Otter Hole, Robinson's Pot and Fountains Fell caves, have to apply early next year (i.e. January!)
- Olaf mandated to reapply in January

### **Treasurer (JW)**

Nothing to report

### **Gear Officer (BH)**

- Clear out of the hut done, except wellies
- Ropes have been reinventoried and relabelled etc.
- Inventory not quite up to date but all rope has been physically sorted
- There is one skull and crossbones rope which he is unsure of but other than that, all rope is usable
- New helmets ordered (without lights) Ben will rejig the equipment over the summer and retire the five worst helmets
- Olaf knows of one broken Duo and Ben will check that and or dispose of it
- Fetlling weekend for expo will be arranged, dates tbc

Old 11mm rope will be disposed off after the expo rope comes back. Tony took some of our thick rope as it was unusable.

## **Librarian / Archivist (SR)**

Nothing to report

## **Webman (SR)**

Nothing to report

## **Points of discussion**

- TT 2012 weekends

Plans for holiday activities between TT 2012 and MT 2012 (summer period):

- Presidents Invite, probably September?
- Hidden Earth, 21-23 September
- Day trip to Slaughter Stream Cave some point in September?

Plans for MT 2012:

- 2nd week: Mendips (probably BEC): Swildons Hole & Co.
- 3rd or 4th week: South Wales (probably WSG): OFD madness
- 5th week: CHECC weekend 10.-11. Nov, Yoxter Ranges, Mendips: Rhino Rift, Thrupe Lane Swallet, GB, ... or just Swildons again...
- 7th or 8th week: Yorkshire (maybe BPC or YSS): GG, Easegill, Longchurn
- UBSS bonfire night?
- Do we want another novice / SRT weekend?

- TT 2012 socials
- BBQ for Bonfire night, then OUCC trip to the South Parks Bonfire
- Chequers for Freshers term pub - consistent throughout term
- Expo talk 2<sup>nd</sup> week Ben
- Knot night ?
- TGM
- Varsity Match - Olaf K. to talk to CUCC about meeting in Yorkshire in 7<sup>th</sup> week for Varsity

Any suggestions for new pubs? Or happy with current ones?

Fresher's fair 2012 - resources, manpower, etc.

Vicky needs to talk to Thomas

-need to book two Fresher Fair tables

-need to organise screens (Steve) for Fair

-VL has all the posters etc and flyer - transfer to Thomas

-JW can print the brochures when Thomas has approved them

-Rota for Freshers Fair needs to be in place

-Get Steve to add the Fresher's mailing list to the website

## 2012 Expedition update from Ben

- Insurance status report from Thomas L.

The insurance (and relative documents) had been approved - thanks for Ben and Vicky putting afford in it. I will chase people for their individual forms and sent them to the office before the expedition - this is already mentioned in the previous expedition email by Ben.

- ⤴ Ben needs to talk to Thomas about when he's getting back
- ⤴ Finances - Money is coming in, £1000 in the account, training and some supplies have been paid for but more deposits needed (10 have paid).
- ⤴ Car - Chris is giving his car to the expedition which means we can go to Spain via ferry. More people need to sign up for driving.
- ⤴ Thomas will drive the car back
- ⤴ Attendees varies from 10 (deposits) to about 15 but more confirmed places yet to come. At most 8 or 9 in the middle
- ⤴ Organisation, everything is going well, grants applied for, OUEC have approved us but not given money
- ⤴ £400 from BCA for the expedition (£300 now, £100 once report submitted)
- ⤴ Permits are fine, once insurance comes through physical evidence will be sent
- ⤴ ferry will be booked this week
- ⤴ OUEC meeting tomorrow afternoon where we will catch up

first aid needs to be sorted out

### Any other business

### Date of next meeting

- VL would like higher attendance at the next meeting :(

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- 5th or 6th week next term, tbc, bring hats.