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BRITISH RAFTING AGM

Video Conference

29th November 2021

Welcome

Chair: Sean Clarke

Secretary: Angela Thompson

In attendance: Luke Dorbin, Sarah-Jayne Evans, Jess Evans, Beth Kirby, Andy Steel, Pete Wortley, Simon Hale, Patrick McNulty, Aaron Dempsey, Gill Wayland, Nicola Childs, Max Rose, Catherine Harris, Dan McGaley, Paul Kettle, Ian Whitcombe, Ian Rose.

Minutes of previous AGM meeting

All agreed.

Chair's Report

Still active with BC

- Two discipline chairs meetings this year.
- If anyone would like to recommend someone for an award up to Queens Honours award? The nominations are open every year.

IRF

- Andy Steel went to congress.
- WRC in Bosnia, same sections, downriver hopefully on Tara in Montenegro (continuous grade $\frac{3}{4}$). Probably be night slalom.
- No euro champs, was going to be Czech Republic.
- Granted signatory code to WADA, any athlete competing at A and B level going forward will need to complete online anti doping workshop. IRF will release in Jan/feb.
- Judges workshops will not be delivered online. Events you attend will be assessments. More experience judging in field.
- Observe status reapproved for another two years (Observer Global Association of international sports federation)
- Want to see more teams at euros next year.

Financial report

Started financial year with reserve of £2,600

- Received a support grant of £5,224
- After income and expenditure currently have £7,282
- Few finances not settled before 31st Oct, taking those into account give us an additional surplus of £1,800. (Raft sales and event refunds from Llandysul)
- Virtual closing reserve just over £9,000
- HPP profit £434

- Change from previous year, set up 4/5 sub accounts, more cost codes to be mindful of when submitting codes.
- Few teething problem but worked with bc to iron out, next year should be more smooth running.

Equipment

- Not much to report
- 5 R4s out on loan, received payment for 2 of them.
- Still a number of R4s available, if any teams want them please get in contact.
- 2 old bull R4s have been sold
- R6 boats still out with teams, if any have swapped to other teams please let Aaron know.
- Number of R6 at LV not in use at LVPC store, they are short of space, is there any other places to store them?
- We will need to purchase some new equipment soon (pumps, radios and paddles for future events).

Welfare

Training all up to date for welfare officer.

- No welfare issues reported.

Safety

Limited time on the water

- Nothing to report

Comms

Social media has been basic, just keeping people informed

- Attended IRF congress and a few bc meetings
- Few technical tweaks to website
- Put together media release schedule for next year.

Events

Past year has been affected greatly by pandemic

- Only one event has been able to go ahead
- National selections planned for April were cancelled
- Summer race at HPP was well attended and successful
- Llandysul had to be cancelled due to lack of cover from COVID
- Events in place for next year in hope we can resume normal calendar
- Tryweryn has been book for selections on Easter weekend in April
- Summer event at HPP in July booked
- After being events coordinator for 4/5 years SJ has stepped down

Selection event

- Easter weekend at tryweryn
- Not a huge amount of time for selected team to train before Bosnia 28 May
- But Restricted with COVID
- Selection Policy with BR committee up for consultation - note COVID impact.
- Exceptional selection criteria, abusing this will ban teams for 2 years.

Election of the Committee

Made up of 8 posts, half the committee is up for election on alternate years.

This year up for election:

Chair

Treasurer

Safety

Events

Communications

- Communication is only contested position
- All other positions currently have no one nominated.

Chair

- Sean happy to stand, although is in Australia
- Nobody else stood up
- Nominated by Aaron Dempsey
- Seconded by Andy Steel

Treasurer

- Paddy willing to stand again
- No other nominations
- Nominated by Jess Evans
- Seconded by Beth Kirby

Safety

- Luke prepared to stand again
- No other nominations
- Nominated by Paddy
- Seconded by Paul Kettle

Communications

- Sarah-Jayne Evans nominated by Alison Gedling, seconded by Rebecca Faragher
- Andy Steel nominated by Peter Wortley, seconded by Steven Wood
- Andy Steel – 7
- SJ Evans – 9
- Thanks Andy for your time.

Events

- Andy steel nominated by Beth Kirby
- Seconded by Nicola Child
- Andy is the new events coordinator
- Events take lots of planning, can we all step up to help more

AOB

China is on pause because of quarantine times for travelling



British Canoeing - Rafting Discipline Committee (British Rafting) 2020-2021

- Chair - Sean Clarke (2 year term expires AGM 2023)
- Secretary - Angela Thompson (1 year term expires AGM 2022)
- Treasurer - Patrick McNulty (2 year term expires AGM 2023)
- Safety Officer - Luke Dorbin (2 year term expires AGM 2023)
- Equipment Officer - Aaron Dempsey (1 year term expires AGM 2022)
- Welfare Officer - Gill Wayland (1 year term expires AGM 2022)
- Communications Officer - Sarah-Jayne Evans (2 year term expires AGM 2023)
- Events Officer – Andy Steel (2 year term expires AGM 2023)

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