



St Mary's Loch Sailing Club

Enterprise Fleet No. 83

Mirror Fleet No. 224

Committee Meeting

10 12 2025 Zoom

Meeting Minutes 25.10

Fixed Standard Matters

Apologies

| Present | Apologies |
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| Mike | |
| Gail | |
| Gerry | |
| Mark N | |
| Keith T | |
| Chris | |
| Rachel | |
| Ian P | |

Minutes / Actions Previous Meeting

Minutes were approved

Videos in previous actions will be included in minutes once they have been sent to Gail for uploading onto the website.

Actions

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| 25.5 | 1 | Tidy up double entry for class of membership in webcollect – winter activity | Gail | Ongoing |
| 25.6 | 3 | Delete groups from the community once event over | All admins | COMPLETED |
| 25.7 | 6 | Buy and attach keypad entry to back doors of changing rooms | Gerry | Keypad entry purchased. Checking of latch size to be done before installation. To be done on 16/12/25 |
| 25.8 | 3 | Update club rules HANDBOOK (note change of name) and committee roles by 19/11/25 | Gerry | As this is not required for AGM the urgency of this is not great Ongoing |
| 25.8 | 7 | Contact new members and new returning members to ensure they are 'happy' with the club | All | All those contacted have been very positive about the club. So far only one person has said they will not be rejoining. Completed |
| 25.8 | 9 | Season 26 Committee | Gerry /Mike | People have been approached and at present there may be a few names in the mix. To ease pressure on Gerry Richard Innes to be asked to oversee club boats Chris Swfield has agreed to look after the club racing marks Ian Stark to be asked if he would look after the tractor and other such equipment. Ongoing |
| 25.8 | 11 | Riparian agreement and meeting | Gerry | Gerry to contact Andrew re Riparian Agreement and the setting up of a meeting of all landowners bordering the loch. No reply to emails so going to try another email address or telephone in New Year. Ongoing |
| 25.9 | 1 | Prepare (1) list of docs required for AGM (2) | Gail | Completed |

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| | | date of issue (3) emails inviting members to AGM | | |
| 25.9 | 2 | Names for Endeavour Cups and Community Cup | All | See Dinner dance below Completed |
| 25.9 | 3 | Request suggestion for Absolutely Knacked Cup from members via WhatsApp | | No response Completed |
| 25.9 | 4 | Chip van for May regatta | Gerry | Thanks to Ian Price who picked this up and has organised the chip van. He will give the confirmed 'go ahead' to company. Prices and desserts to be discussed post AGM Completed |
| 25.9 | 5 | Book ceilidh band and hog roast for August regatta | Mike | Completed |
| 25.9 | 6 | Analysis of numbers sailing over last 3 years | Gail | Completed |
| 25.9 | 7 | Discuss with Alastair the requirement to register his camera with ICO | Mike | To be done on 16/12/25 |

2. Updates

Budget update - Keith T

See *draft accounts for 2025 season*

Accounts ready to go to Ian M for his checking. Only missing item is lawyer fees so they are in as an estimate.

Budget for season 2026 – Keith and Gerry to meet to discuss. **Action 25.10.1**

Keith / Gerry

SCIO (Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisations) – Mike / Chris.

Discussion re need for trustee insurance. Mike to ask lawyer for his view as it may be that public liability may cover this. Current insurers have been asked to quote. This will be revisited at next meeting.

Mike to ensure that the correct wording is in the new SCIO Club Constitution re the word auditor. Ian M (and any club member doing the role moving forward) will be known as a scrutineer of accounts on behalf of club members. There will also be a qualified accountant who will do another check – they would be known as an external scrutineer. Please note that other words **except auditor** may be used in the end.

Wording of signature at the end of the balance sheet should read

XX – scrutineer of accounts on behalf of membership

This replaces XX- club auditor

Action 25.10.2 Mike

Club House Working Group - Mike

At present no date was able to be agreed on a meeting before Christmas. Mike will try to organise a meeting in January 2026 to try to move the project forward. It is hoped to include Sally and Sarah.

Action 25.10.3 Mike

Update of club boats / clubhouse

No discussion as we are on the closed season

Meeting Specific Matters Not Covered In Actions In Minutes From Previous meeting

3. Events

Dinner Dance 17/1/26 – Gail

At present 40 tickets have been sold.

Email 1 and 2 sent. Two other emails are good to go.

Mike, Gerry and Rachel volunteered to contact some of the people who had attended last year and as yet had not bought tickets.

They are as follows:

Rachel - the Collins Jenni Milroy and Sarah B; to

Mike - the Shannon's (via Yvette) ; the Ungers and Hamish

Gerry - Keith and Caroline, Roger Kim and Duncan Willoughby and Leigh.

Action 25.10.4 Mike / Rachel / Gerry

The following decisions were made:

Adult Endeavour – Ailsa Goodfellow *for all she does behind the scenes for the camps*

Youth Endeavour – Innes Hunter – *for all he does around the club*

Junior Endeavour - Isaac Lewis – *for all he does to promote sailing in the junior membership of the club*

Cappercleuch Community Cup – Clare Millar – *for all she does re catering at various events*

Absolutely knackered – Group 1 at Kids sailing Camp - group one kids' camp participants. – Nominated by Rachel - *This delightful group had been making great progress in Optimist sailing, especially given the young age of some.*

Millie and I were feeling proud that we seemed reasonably able to hold their

attention in theory sessions.

However, the week was stretching on and tiredness levels were increasing... they were becoming knackered.

On the last day of teaching, we ran a session at the simulator boat. You'll be aware that it's towards the edge of club grounds, near the farmers field. One young camper happened to notice a sheep grazing, with what looked like a rectal prolapse. There then followed comments on mutant sheep and dismembered sheep. Everyone went to look. Well I suppose the sight was a little horrific, and there followed mass hysteria with high pitched and prolonged screaming by the entire group. We lost them... totally knackered.

This won over the nomination for the person who knocked down the garage door twice on the same day.

AGM date changed to 5/2/26 (due to unforeseen problem) – at 7.00 pm at Eastgate Theatre Peebles

On 11/12/25 Gail will send out email inviting members to the AGM

This will include the request that any members who have questions that they would like raised at the AGM, send them to Gail on or before 25/12/25

Email will include SCIO draft club constitution that Adrian has produced. Again any queries on this document should be sent by 25/12/25

Action 25.10.5 Gail

5. Contact 2025 new members - Completed – see actions from previous meeting above

6. Season 2026 dates.

List of fixed / core dates inc working parties to be ready for next meeting / AGM

Action 25.10.6 Mike / Gerry

7. Discussion followed the review of the statistical analysis that Gail has produced.

It was agreed that a change in the type of sailing may help to boost the numbers of members taking part in the racing.

One suggestion that was met with a lot of support was that once a month or once a series a weekend is dedicated to some sort of training on the Saturday followed by a BBQ and then on the Sunday racing that will allow sailors to test their new skills, sail with kids, try a different boat etc. These Sunday races would be part of a separate 'series'

Other options were discussed and the following was agreed:

After the formal part of the AGM is closed, there will be 30 minute discussion to gauge the views of the members on the type of sailing that they would like to see at the club. It would be best if members could feedback there thoughts before the meeting. Mike and Gerry to prepare how best to run this post AGM section **Action 25.10.7 Mike / Gerry**

Gail to include this in email invite to AGM going out on 11/12/25 and ask for feedback / ideas by 6/1/26 This will give committee the opportunity to discuss at the next committee meeting.

8. AOB

There was nothing.

Date of next meeting 7/1/26

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| 25.10 | 3 | Set up clubhouse working group meeting in January 2026 | Mike | |
| 25.10 | 4 | Contact people re buying dinner dance tickets | Mike / Rachel / Gerry | |
| 25.10 | 5 | Send out AGM invite | Gail | |
| 25.10 | 6 | Core dates for calendar | Mike / Gerry | |
| 25.10 | 7 | Prep how to run discussion post end of AGM | Mike / Gerry | |