



St Mary's Loch Sailing Club

Enterprise Fleet No. 83

Mirror Fleet No. 224

Committee Meeting

26 02 2026 Zoom

Meeting Minutes 26.1

Fixed Standard Matters

- Gerry welcomed new members Dave T and Clare) to the committee.
 Gerry outlined Season 2026 aims

 - * Complete change from club to a SCIO
 - * Improve the clubhouse using survey (done in season 2025) results
 - * Improve numbers on the water and communcations

Proposed rolls for the committee
See Club Roles – 2026 Update
 Ian P and Mark N agreed to continue in their roles
 Clare and Dave T to look at roles and contact Gerry re where they can / would like to help
 Once all names (including non committee roles) are confirmed this list will be updated and placed on notice board and circulated to members so they know who to contact **Action 26.1 Gerry, Dave T and Clare**
 Mike asked that Clare and Dave T send their pictures for the notice board to him. Also if anybody wants their photo updated they should send a new one to Mike **Action 26.2 All**

2. Apologies

Present	Apologies
Mike	Rachel (Trustee)
Gail	
Gerry	
Keith T	
Ian P	
Chris	
Mark N	
Dave T	
Clare	

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

ACTION		DETAILS	OWNER	Completed / Incomplete / Ongoing
25.8	3	Update club rules HANDBOOK (note change of name) and committee roles 19/11/25	Gerry	As this is not required for AGM the urgency of this is not great 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. There has been no reply to emails so Gerry will try phoning. Ongoing Rachel to check what she has in papers given to her when she became commodore Action 25.11.1 Rachel
25.11	1	Check papers for Riparian Agreement	Rachel	
25.11	2	Add date to personal diary to send out reminder to members to submit queries etc by 1/12/26	Gail	Completed
25.11	3	Set up registers required as a SCIO by OSCR	Gail	Completed
25.11	4	Contact company who did bore hole at his property to get a second quote	Keith	Completed
25.11	5	Contact David R and Tom B re plant room	Mike / Gerry	
25.11	6	Send out reminder emails re raffle / trophies / start time of dinner dance	Gail	Completed
25.11	7	Amend and review AGM agenda by 18/1/26	Gail / Mike /Gerry	Completed

25.11	8	Send budget and treasurer report to Gail by 18/1/26	Keith	Completed
25.11	9	Send core dates to Gail by 18/1/26	Gerry	Completed
25.11	10	Send out all AGM info to members no later than 21/1/26	Gail	Completed
25.11	11	Set up calendar invites inc zoom call details for committee meeting in season 2026	Gail	Completed

3. Updates

Budget update - Keith

Very quiet atm, so no formal report. Keith waiting for money to come in from subscriptions. He will chase insurance company in next few weeks to start negotiating for next 3 year insurance deal.

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

Mike to keep chasing lawyer

Club House Improvements (formally known as Club House Working Group) – Mike / Keith / Gerry

See 4. Club Development Sub Committee Proposal

Sub committee to include Ian P, Clare, Chris, Mike, Gerry, Dave R, Tom B, Chris Morrish (heating engineer) and will draft in others as needed.

Looking at 3 key points

- * changing rooms
- * ladies showers
- * heating inc water temperature and pressure

Update of club boats – sent from Lorry Young – Gerry

Rescue Boat Servicing, Race Marks, Future Dory

All boats being serviced on 3/4/26

Future planning for Dory replacement to be led by Mark J and Bob O'Donnel

Update on training – sent from Ailsa / Mark – Gerry

Principal, Camp Dates and Instructor Availability, First Aid, Powerboat

Mark is stepping down as RYA Principal and a replacement is being sought.

Duncan W to be approached as Rachel T and Hamish are not 100% keen

Camp dates released – trainers are being asked to volunteer for camps

First Aid – all good to go

Power Boat 2 and Safety Boat – dates tbc

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

4. **Renewal of Membership - Gail**

Invitation to pay subs – Gail will send out on or before 1/3/26

Non Payment post 31/3/26 – Gail will follow up and keep committee up to date re membership

Gail requested that any problems with membership be sent to her.

Caravan – free slot – Committee decided that slot would go to first person on the list. Gail will email to check that they will have their caravan on site for the majority of the season **Action 26.3 Gail**

Moorings (if time allows) – to be discussed at next meeting

Gail to contact 2 members from last season who expressed an interest in having a mooring, to ask if they still want one **Action 26.4 Gail**

Gerry to put Chris S (responsible for club marks) and Chris Mason (in charge of club moorings) in touch with each other to get moorings checked and repaired if necessary **Action 26.5 Gerry**

5. **Survey Responses -Gerry**

See power point and Gail's AI generated findings

Still more survey responses to come before survey closed.

Gail to get AI to generate a Word Cloud

Using survey data – new members will now include people who want to paddle board or kayak or similar sports in the hope that they may move onto sailing

New members – season 2025 and moving forwards to get a buddy. Gerry to email members to ask for volunteers to be buddies **Action 26.6 Gerry**

This will be discussed further at next meeting

6. **Sailing Calendar Season 2026**

See - 8.SaveDate_StMLSC2026_Final (issued at AGM)

See Proposed calendar

After discussion a few changes were made to the proposal.

Gerry to send out for further review

Duty Man – Mike to populate with dates and requirements **Action 26.7 Mike**

7. **Non-Sailing Calendar Events Season 2026**

Dinner Dance – Gail

Date 30/1/27 (reserve 16/1/27)

Venue – Dryburgh Abbey Hotel approx. same price, Gail to contact Dryburgh

Action 26.8 Gail

AGM – Gail (if time allows)

Book East Gate Theatre Peebles

Date –Wednesday 10/2/27 (3/2/27 reserve) Gail to book **Action 26.9 Gail**

Committee meeting on 6/5/26 – Gail

After discussion it was agreed that meeting would move to **MONDAY 4/5/26**

Gail to send out calendar date change

8. **Post AGM held 050226 – postponed to next meeting**
Race Format – create a ‘Series Notice of Race’ (Series NOR)
Scoring / results capture
Sailwave User Group

9. **Events**

Work party 4/4/26 – Gerry

Mark N to organise. He and Gerry will liaise re list of tasks

Members communication (see agenda item 10)

Opening Social & Club Champions race 5/4/26 – Gerry

Committee POC - Mike

Catering format – soup sandwiches and cake – at 1pm

Mike to ask for help with food and with home baking to have with coffee whilst watching the race

Gail will do results – may be remotely

Race start time will be 11 am (only one race)

Adult Camp 7/5/26 – 9/5/26

Covered in training

May Regatta 16/5/26 – 17/5/26

Bar – Mike

Catering (not including fish and chip van) – Clare

Fish and Chip van – Ian P

On the water - Gerry

Adnin and Results – Gail

NOR to be done for 18/3/26 **Action 26.10 Gerry**

SI to be done for 18/3/26 **Action 26.10 Gerry**

Advertising postponed until next meeting

10. **AOB – all postponed to next meeting**

Membership Communication -

Short / Often vs Regular / Monthly / Extended (eg Newsletter vs ‘ad hoc’ or a mixture)

Stewart Wilson – Membership and Mooring (proposal by Gail for temporary Honorary Membership ratified at AGM in Feb 2027)

** Other proposals for Honorary Membership (if time allows)*

Andrew Hewitt – Committee Co-Opt

VC Role

Date of next meeting **18/3/26**

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26.1	1	Club roles, selected (Clare and Dave T) then sent out to members and put on notice board	Gerry	
26.1	2	Send photos (new or updated) to Mike	ALL	Completed
26.1	3	Email Gethin Davey re caravan slot	Gail	Completed
26.1	4	Contact members who expressed an interest in a mooring during season 2025	Gail	Completed
26.1	5	Put Chris S and Chris M in touch with each other	Gerry	
26.1	6	Email members to ask if they will be buddies	Gerry	
26.1	7	Populate Duty Man	Mike	Completed
26.1	8	Contact Dryburgh re dinner dance	Gail	Completed
26.1	9	Contact East Gate theatre re AGM	Gail	Completed
26.1	10	NOR and SI for May regatta	Gerry	