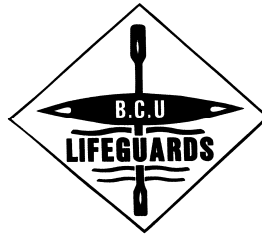


# British Canoe Union

# Lifeguards



## BCU CANOE LIFEGUARDS ANNUAL CONSULTATIVE MEETING

Saturday 13th September 2008 at Llandysul Paddlers Centre Wales

18.50 hrs till 19.20hrs

### Draft Minutes

Voting members present;  
National Committee officers  
Andy Walters, Nigel Whitehead, Martin Suzan, Des Merrigan, Dave Wyatt.

Unit Reps  
Linda Cook (Herts), Paul.....(Wyebother), Helen Wyatt (Ipswich), John Carter (swiftwater 2000).

Regional Reps  
Phil Driver (North West), Phil Quin (Wales).

Proxy Votes  
Alan Hale ( Weymouth), Malcolm Ferris Lay ( Eastern Region Rep).

1. Chairman's welcome.  
Andy Walters thank all for coming.
2. Apologies for absence.  
Alan Hale, John Wheeler, Andy Squirrell, Malcolm Ferris Lay, Kevin Calderon.
3. Minutes of the last ACM.  
These were approved with the name correction from Luke to Kevin Calderon.
4. Matters arising.  
Nothing.
5. Chairman's report.  
Andy Waters reported that there had been a lot of work done this, mostly behind the scenes. Andy thank all committee officers for their hard work over the last 12 months and paid thanks to Martin Suzan for all his work in sorting out the web site and the data base set up. Andy also thanked Dave Wyatt for his assistance during the last year.
6. Secretary's report.  
Nothing extra to report.

7. Treasurer's report.  
In his absence Andy Walters read out the Treasurers report;  
*All*

*Work commitments have forced me to be missing from this years event so I've put a short report below for you.*

*£10,000 income so far this year compared to previous years of around £25,000 at this point in the year, the loss of the CST to coaching is bigger than I expected to our finances.*

*Current account balance is £33,000 with a processing bill due the end of next month of around £5,000. With this revenue drop we need to be really careful how we finance events, meetings, training and goods over the next couple of years to ensure we have the funds to move forward.*

*This year the account has been static and has been the first year in the last few that we haven't had a huge overspend compared to our income.*  
*Andy*

Andy Walters suggested that a more comprehensive report should be made available as this report was scant.

8. National Training Officers report.  
Nigel Whitehead reported that it had been a very productive year with the completion of 2 of the site specific modules and near completion of the third. The Open water module had been piloted with 6 Lifeguard coaches progressing to Level 4 Lifeguard Coach. The Moving water module was being piloted this weekend with excellent results on day 1 of the course. Conventions this year have not been very well attended and as a result, the Committee would need to decide if Mini conventions aimed at specific awards and Units would work out more cost effective in future.
9. Election of Committee members.  
In accordance with the BCU constitution, 5 members were to be elected on to the Committee.  
The following posts were taken.
- Vice Chairman, (Martin Suzan).
- Secretary, Vacant.
- National Training Officer, (John Wheeler).
- Publicity Officer, Vacant
- Individual Committee Member No 1, ( Mark Osbourn).
- Individual Member 2, (Nigel Whitehead).
10. Any other business.
- 10.1 Change BCU Lifeguards "Constitution" to "Committee Rules".
- By unanimous vote the meeting agreed the recommendations and accepted the changeover to Committee Rules.