

SASI Limited Board Meeting Number #18

9th February 2025

Agenda Item	Precis	Actions
1. Apologies and Attendance	<p>Max Berends Kees van Vugt Bev Meek Claire Simpson Topher Dawson Rory Reilly (observer) Judith Uyss Robert Graham</p>	
2 & 3 Minutes of the last meeting and Matters arising	<p>Minutes of the last meeting were approved CS reported back on her findings with regards to the moderation of comments on the SCR facebook group. The outcome identified that the moderation list was not up to date. RG reported that unpleasant comments on one club's facebook pages also seemed to go unmoderated. It was suggested that NCA's had a role to advise their clubs on a moderation policy. Other matters arising will be dealt with under their relevant agenda item.</p>	<p>TD to request SCRA to update the moderators on their facebook page and the SCR group.</p>
<p>4. SWSA Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - merchandise - Age Validation - Scrutineering - Mark Laying - Skiff Pictorial - Scoring System - Tracker System/Cameras/Large screen 	<p>TD confirmed there would be no pontoons at Stranraer.</p> <p>Merchandise - MB updated that a hoodie and a polo shirt were currently being costed and that SASI would get a cut from the profits of selling these at the Skiffie Worlds. There is no costings yet and a % profit share has not been agreed. KV is in communications with the medal supplier and is getting a costing on those. KV has taken on responsibility of purchasing and delivering medals to the Worlds. BM asked about how merchandise and medal buying had worked in the past. MB explained in Kortegne SASI had produced their own merchandise and prints and this had covered the medals. TD explained how he had covered the cost of the medals in the past and recovered the cost afterwards. RG asked about the purpose of £150 registration fee. TD explained admin costs of registration and the number in the bow for drone footage would need to be covered. SWSA have a grant for the main event and mark laying equipment. CS asked if a poster or a buff could be added to the merchandise list.</p> <p>Age Validation - CS sent the Age Validation requirements to Wendi Cuffe. RG asked about the holding of paper copies of rowers' details and if it breached GDPR. Data collected for a specific purpose is permitted and should be accurate and up to date, not used for other purposes and destroyed when it is not needed any more. This guidance should be added to the notes given to clubs collecting data. RG asked what would happen if the data on a rower was not available. TD explained that the club would be given the opportunity to obtain the data but in the event of not being able to verify a rowers age on request, the crew would be disqualified.</p> <p>Scrutineering Document - CS sent the scrutineering document to Wendi Cuffe. RG asked what level of wear and tear of wood on boats was acceptable. TD explained that as long as any reduction of wood was wear and not a deliberate attempt to remove wood then the scrutineer umpire would be accepting. TD had removed some of the more draconian penalties from the scrutineering document and explained that umpires discretion would be used to strike a balance between strict and friendly. JD asked if someone turned up with carbo oars what would happen. TD/MB explained they would not be allowed to row.</p> <p>Mark Laying - TD updated the mark laying plans. Anchors were being borrowed from Ullapool and taken in April when a trial course would be laid using both borrowed and newly</p>	<p>KV to get a quote for medals from the polish supplier.</p> <p>TD to email Wendi Cuffe RE merchandise costings.</p> <p>CS to research costs of producing a poster.</p> <p>Advise clubs on GDPR when collecting data.</p>

	<p>purchased equipment. The GPS coordinates would be established and recorded. On Sunday 6th July Stuart Mack et al will run a test race to ensure a working system for Monday. RG asked about the system to accommodate the rise and fall of the tide. TD explained the system of ropes and anchors which would keep all the buoys in place. CS asked for details of lane width and intermediate buoys. TD confirmed that, as in Ullapool,, lanes would be 20m wide with smaller buoys at 10m to mark the limit of each boats lane at the turn. 500m buoys will mark half way to the turn in each lane. RG asked about degree of accuracy and TD explained the GPS coordinate would ensure a 3m accuracy. KV asked about the oars being able to clash if they were outside the lane but the hull was inside. TD /MB confirmed this would result in a penalty. TD explained that lanes laid at Loch Tummel using this method proved that hulls and oars can be within the 20m lane. KV suggested that the 10m smaller buoys needed to be a contrasting or bright colour to ensure visibility and asked if they were easily distinguishable from the turning buoys. TD confirmed that they are small bright coloured buoys in contrast to the large pencil, multi coloured turning marks.</p> <p>Skiff Pictorials - Andy Rendle continues to keep a record of skiff colours and it was agreed that they are essential as an aid for umpires identifying clubs.</p> <p>Scoring System - has been well received.</p> <p>Tracker System/cameras/large screen - MB has had contact with the dutch camera guy Dick von TD explained the need for the start/finish camera to reach 600m from the start box.. It was decided that Dick would provide the start camera. MB explained that the idea is that drone footage and tracker data would be displayed on a large screen. SWSA is working on connecting all three systems.</p> <p>Umpires - Lyndsay Watt is coordinating all umpires apart from chief umpires. Lyndsay has asked Topher to do a chief umpires rota.</p>	<p>MB to convey to Dick that the camera for the start line needs to provide 600m visibility. . Dick van Teeffelen / https://www.sportvolgen.nl/</p> <p>TD to do a Chief Umpires rota</p>
<p>5. Who can Row in a Men's Crew?</p>	<p>A full discussion of existing policy in rowing and other sports was undertaken. SASI have decided that for the purpose of World Championships 2025 a Men's Crew must consist of at least 2 males and up to two females or non-binary rowers. This decision was in response to questions asked by clubs.</p>	<p>CS to inform Wendi and NCA's of this decision.</p>
<p>6. Treasurer Report</p>	<p>Bank balance is unchanged at £2582. There is an outstanding invoice from the SASCRAA. Micro accounts have been submitted and these need to be signed off by the secretary by the end of February.</p>	<p>JU to follow up SASCRAA SASI payment. CS to log on to Companies House and file the Confirmation Statement</p>
<p>7. AOB</p>	<p>It was confirmed that Wendi Cuffe has been informed about more than one junior crew being entered for each club. RG concerned about how it will work if more than 30 boats end up in a two heat race.</p> <p>RG asked if Wendi has up to date information about the clubs. What list is she working off? KV explained that DARA forwards all information to their clubs. RG was concerned about how english clubs received information as they do not have a National Class Association. RR also pointed out that there are two clubs in the west of Ireland that are not affiliated with DCRA. MD highlighted the french clubs.</p> <p>RG asked how the skiff id sign was going to work in the bow of the boat. TD explained that a large triangular piece of plastic will be affixed inside the bow.</p>	<p>CS to add junior crew entries to the next agenda. Monitor how many are entering.</p> <p>MB to check in with Wendi about her contact list.</p>

	<p>KV reported that he has been talking to the Azores, French, Belgiums and Spanish trying to set up clubs in europe. They have a problem because a CE mark must be given by the NCA and KV will talk to DARA to ask if they can accommodate giving CE marks to other EU clubs. KV is also talking to Antwerp Port and city about setting up a race of the castle to Crane style. RG asked for clarification on the purpose of the CE mark and TD explained its a certification of safety/buoyancy.</p>	
Date of Next Meeting	20/04/2025	