



peak paddlers
newsletter

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Hi All

The AGM has come and gone and you have a new committee as follows:-

Chair – John Beresford (JB)
Vice Chair - Julia Kay
Club Secretary – Derek Rudeford
Membership Secretary - Jenny Daly
Treasurer - Bruce Taylor
Treasurer - Lisa Watson
Child Protection Officer - Carol Dunn
Coaching Coordinator - Glynn Lewis
Junior Coordinator - Claire Hinchcliffe
Safety Officer - Derek Burdett
Web Manager - Mike Goddard
Press Officer - Pete Morton
Equipment Officer - Stuart Watson
Social Representative - Jean Vale
Grants/Funding Officer – Mo Stewart

(Mo has since resigned to devote her time to travelling in her new campervan, hence we have a vacancy, any volunteers?)

Our plan is to take the club forward following the cracking work by Mo and her team last year and expand the paddling and social side of the club, consolidating last years work

The "come and try it sessions" at Errwood on Thursdays have been a success with plenty of new faces having fun.

When we get our rota of committee meeting scheduled I'll let you know so that you can raise any queries you may have and I will try and time the newsletters after the meetings to keep you up to date

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Unfortunately not enough of the members survey questionnaires were returned to know what you want from the club.
But remember it's your club so let us know what you want it to do for you and you for it

Membership Renewals

Membership renewals are overdue now (If you are wanting to rejoin but can't get to Errwood or meet anyone in person please contact Bruce or Lisa and they will arrange for you to send the money in)

Slightly revised fees are as follows:

Adults (18 +) £25

Families £25 for 1 member (adult) £10 for each member thereafter (children age 9-17).

Could I ask all of you who have joined this year to fill in the 'new' membership form and pass to Jenny Daly (if you haven't already done so).

Forthcoming Events

We hope to be able to publish a list of paddling trips/events soon after consultation with the coaching team, so keep an eye out on the message board/calendar for details.

These will hopefully include canal trip(s), Rudyard, The Lakes, river trip(s) and perhaps the sea

As it is World Rivers day on 27th September I am sure we will have a trip to celebrate the event, any thoughts? paddle and clean up a stretch of river/canal would be good for publicity

JB's trip will be finalised soon for a weekend in September

Wendy Rudeforh will organise a slide show evening as I am sure there will be plenty of members with interesting slides of their hols/trips to share

Please let us know if you have an idea for a trip/event that you think would be suitable and we will discuss it with the coaches

Winter Swimming Pool Sessions

As you may be aware Buxton Pool is closing for refurbishment over the winter months, we may be able to use New Mills pool and we will let you know what happens about this

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Paddling At Manchester Canoe Club

Just to remind you that we have a group membership of Manchester Canoe Club and you are welcome to paddle at their Marple site on Tuesdays 6.30-9pm and Sundays 10.30am -1pm. Fees are only payable for boat hire (£3). Just show your Peak Paddlers membership card to the duty officer, sign in and away you go!

Paddling At Tittesworth, Leek

This is now open for public paddling for £5 launch fee. We aim to go as a club one Thur evening but you can go on your own www.peakpursuits.co.uk

Errwood Paddling

Club nights are now at Errwood on Thursdays 7-9pm.

Additionally, private paddling to members **who have their own boats and kit** is available on Tues evenings. (Peak Paddlers Safety Policy, if not 2* and above there must be a minimum of 3 paddlers in the group).

NB If you wish to paddle on Tuesdays please sort yourself a group out (via the message board?) and contact Stuart at the garage to get a key.

Photo Competition

Geoff Shoults has kindly volunteered to run a Peak Paddlers Photographic Competition which will be judged at Xmas for presentation at the Xmas Party. The two 2 categories are as follows:

1. Social category – Representing the clubs’ social scene, humour, members enjoying themselves (or otherwise!)
2. Paddling’s Sporting Aspect - White-water, touring etc

So get your cameras out this summer, print off your pics (6x4) and drop them in with Geoff at his shop at The Colonnade, Buxton.

Merchandise

T shirts and hoodies are available and can be ordered via Lisa at - thewatsonsl@tiscali.co.uk



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BCU Individual Membership

As more of us are becoming better paddlers it is in your own and the club's interests to join the BCU. Fees are £32.75 www.canoe-england.org

That's all for now, hopefully see you on some water somewhere and have fun

Derek Rudeforth