

MSC – Committee meeting minutes

30th January 2023

In attendance: David Beech (Chaired the meeting)
Di Fennell
Gerry Elgy
John Elgy
Roger Crombleholme
Jeff Elmore
Paul Johnson

Apologies: Neill Currie, Jenni Fennell, Catherine Frankenburg

1. **Approval of minutes from 12th December 2022** Approved.
2. **Matters Arising** There were no matters arising.
3. **Finance Update**

Neill was unable to attend the meeting however he has provided the management accounts for both November and December 2022 plus a commentary all three documents were sent out to the whole committee in advance via email.

4. **Membership Update**

John provided an update on membership the details were also sent out to all on the committee via email.

Total membership:	301
Non renewals from 2021/2:	102
New members since 12/12/22:	4
Renewals since 12/12/22:	6

5. **Welfare & Safeguarding**

No issues to report.

6. Socials Update

Catherine was unable to attend the meeting however has provided the following update.

As this is the ski season there are less meet ups.

A very successful walk was held last November, which culminated in a drink and a meal for walk participants and members who could not attend the walk (as reported in the last Newsletter) we are working on dates for the next walks ready to go in the next Newsletter; a 5 day activity/walking break has been organised staying in Minehead, Somerset in early May.

7. Having Nordic ski sessions as part of Midland Ski Club's portfolio

Dave and Nigel Street attended a meeting at Ackers with Snowsport England and Ackers staff to discuss the options available to start running Nordic Ski sessions in the West Midlands. Snowsport England advised they would support MSC with this initiative and could provide some initial funds to help purchase equipment to get this started.

8. JATW coaches fees

At the JATW in Niederau we had forty two skiers with four coaches. We had difficulties in one group which had a wide variety of skiing abilities in order to keep this manageable Molly Gill volunteered to coach three skiers in a separate group. Molly was attending the trip as a participant and had paid the full cost. We therefore have offered to pay Molly 50% of the JATW cost plus the standard coaches' remuneration to thank Molly for her coaching this was agreed by all the committee members attending the meeting.

9. Booking of slopes at Ackers and Swadlincote

On Friday 27th January Kingsley School where booked with MSC to attend a training session at Ackers from 5 to 6pm. Unfortunately Ackers had not been informed MSC would be attending at this time. Going forward Dave has offered to inform both Ackers slope and Swadlincote slope when we have additional training sessions booked in.

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10. Meeting Minutes on the MSC website

John, Gerry have agreed to put both the RSG and committee meeting minutes on the MSC website this will be once they have been approved at the following meeting.

11. The National Snow Show @ Birmingham 14/15 October 2023

Jeff advised we missed the deadline cut off to inform Raccoon Active Events to cancel our provisional booking for October 2023. A discussion was held on the two options provided to us by Raccoon regarding our deposit. We agreed in principle that we would should go ahead and have a stand at the show this year.

Jeff to document and to send out to all committee members the total costs for the stand this October.

12. Eola booking system

Members are booking late to attend training sessions which makes it difficult to estimate if we require one or two coaches to coach on an evening. Following a discussion it was agreed we would update the Eola booking system to require bookings to be made 24hours prior to the start of the session. Dave to notify all club members via email of this change.

13. MSC Welcome Letter

Dave to send the updated welcome letter to Gerry.

14. ISF World Schools Winter Games Championships 2023

Roger will be attending this event in Turkey. We have two club racing athletes taking part they are Georgia Blakie and Rob Jones we wish them all the best in the competition.

15. Friuli Venezia Giulia 2023 European Youth Olympic Festival (EYOF)

Amber Fennell has just competed in the European Youth Olympic Festival in two events.

Amber came 4th in the Big Air competition.

Amber came 8th in the Snowboard Freestyle competition.

Amber was also selected to be a flag bearer in the closing ceremony.

Congratulations to Amber from the whole of MSC a brilliant experience as a Youth Olympian a testament to all her hard work and dedication.

16. Update on the start ramp at Ackers

John has emailed Phil Dellor requesting if he could assist in the estimating of costs to upgrade the start ramp at Ackers. John to arrange a date with Phil when he can carry out a further inspection of the ramp, Dave offered to meet Phil at Ackers.

17. Date of Next meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday 3rd April 2023 @ 19:30 to be held via a zoom conference call.