

**Minutes**  
Sharks Ski Club  
Committee Meeting  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 19.00  
Webex

1. **Apologies**

Steve Burley

2. **Quoracy Check**

Cameron Parr, Molly Gill, Norman Gill, Paul Smith, Nicky Parr, Andy Cresswell, Nick Hill, Julie Slater, Carl Carter, Mille Norton, Fin Parr, Meg Parr, Lucy Ridgeway, Tim Justice, Barry Drummond.

3. **Minutes of previous meeting**

Correction - Captain's normally change at the AGM not the Christmas party as stated.

Approved - Minutes from Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2020.

4. **Charis Update**

Sharks Movember Challenge

Tim's running a lot ... With Skis ... and the Sharks have raised a massive amount and it still increasing!

Waiting to see what the end of the current lockdown brings - Hopefully back to Swadlincote and then all systems are go !

**Actions from previous meeting**

**Identity / Standing out on the slope** - Discussed and agreed that we need to get new jackets / fleeces for instructors, committee members CWO's and Deputies so it is clear!

Update - Tim has the details of the ones which we wanted but the supplier is back in lockdown so will wait to see a sample.

Norman to check with SSE - Dare to Be to check if there a deal to be had for a set of jackets then we can get then branded.

**Electronic payment facility**

Awaiting the new bank account to be in place before this moves forward and issue with current bank due to lockdown.

5. **Treasurers update**

No update this meeting

6. **Membership update**

New Family - [REDACTED] x 4 paid £60 BACS

Total membership now 225.

In reality, we have approximately 60 active members.

2020/21 membership

Proposal made for membership from Jan to Sept 2021 at reduced fees for to be fair to the members this will also then get us back to a September start for the year. £15 per family or £5 per individual.

Proposal agreed and communication to be issued to members

Membership details submitted to SSE payment made and certificate received for 20/21

7. **Welfare Officers update**

Julie feels out of the loop due to Swadlincote and as not currently skiing so has taken the decision to step down from the CWO role - Opportunity for a new CWO to support Carl ....

Thanks to Julie for all the amazing work and dedication to Sharks over the years and for doing such an amazing job !

8. **Club Captains update**

**Process complete and new captains appointed**

Thanks to Millie and Tom .....

Fin and Meg joined the call for the first time ☺

Good Fancy dress Halloween session last time out !

Next week scavenger hunt at a set time to get things and get points...

9. **Skiing update (race, general)**

**General - Molly**

Well sadly we have only had 6 Saturday ski sessions since my last report. This is due to England going back into 'Lock Down' due to Covid-19. Still in those 6 Saturdays we managed to pack in lots of exciting skiing.

Our sessions were full to capacity every week, and we have welcomed back a few of our old members who were with us in Castleford. As I mentioned last time, the skiing standard of all who attend (including adults) has improved immensely. This is due to them attending most Saturdays, therefore having consistency in their training programme, being in groups of a ratio of 1 - 5, and not least because of the excellent coaching from our Instructor Team. Thank you, all of you Instructors involved.

The extended hour for Race Training was a huge success, (more from Norman on that), Sadly the second one had to be cancelled due to 'Lock Down', but everyone is looking forward to it now being on the 5th December - hopefully if restrictions are lifted... THIS SESSION IS ALREADY FULLY BOOKED.

We keep getting many enquiries as to when we will return to Castleford. Yes, we know that Lions Club returned in October (but like all facilities are now closed) but Lions members are all paid up contracted members of Snozone, therefore Snozone has an obligation to them. Sharks members DO NOT have to be members of Snozone to be a member of Sharks, therefore there is no contract with Snozone. While ever Covid restrictions are around, we are unlikely to be accepted back at Castleford, but channels of communication are still open.

A big 'Thank You' to Millie Norton and Tom Hill for all their work within their roles of Captains, but as both are now nearing the age of 18, they are standing down. These roles will now be taken over by Megan and Finlay Parr. We are confident that they will do an outstanding job. They will be assisted by Grace Mitchell and Reece Pike as vice captains.

We are hopeful that our Christmas Fun Day will take place on 12th December. It will not be a party as we normally have (due to Covid) but I am sure Father Christmas will be giving us a visit at some point on the slope.

#### **Race - Paul**

Nothing to report this month....nothing happening at the other clubs.

The extended hour was brilliant and went down really well and will keep them going moving forward and the first club captains duel slalom

#### 10. **Coaching update**

In the last nine weeks such a lot has happened and such a lot has not happened . . . here are some of the key events.

Saturday 19th September - Safeguarding Course for our young instructors working towards their Level 1

Saturday 3rd October - I successfully went through my Level 4 Refresher whilst three of our Instructor went through agony, not of their making.

Building on the "Dual Slalom" session, instigated by Helen and Frank sometime in September, I decided to introduce a dedicated "Race Training Programme." I am pleased to say that Gemma, Swadlincote Manager, readily supported this, even allowing us the full slope for the full three hours.

The session was well supported by an enthusiastic 'full house' of Sharks of all levels. The progress of almost every 'Racer' was wonderful to watch. I must mention how helpful my group was in fetching and carrying the stubbies and the Slalom Poles; with out being asked! A really wonderful learning and supportive environment in which to work.

The postponed Session 2 will be on Saturday 5th December . . . . . we hope!

I have prepared some guidance on what I would like the Sharks Coaches work on. I am asking this so that each individual can be seen working towards the 'nearly the same' theme, but at a different level. Meaning a shared, common learning yet in different groups. I will be sending this out to the Coaches before the session.

Many moons ago I suggested a 'Slalom Course Setting' session, is this something we can do?

Finally; I am pleased to say that between Chris Exall and myself we have laid out a programme for Andy Duncan to get his Level 4. Andy is working with Paul Mitchell, as his athlete, in order for him to produce his portfolio.

11. [Holiday update](#)

There is still 17 booked onto the holiday at Easter 2021. I have not advertised or pushed it any more due to the uncertainty of the Covid-19 situation. If this does improve in the new year, I will re-advertise it again. I have had 2 family enquiries for it, but I have asked them hold on until we have more information on the situation. Ski 2 have already cancelled all half term (February) holidays, and are looking to re-assess to a view of hopefully opening for business on the 1st March 2021. We live in hope...!!!

12. [AOB](#)

**Club / Vice captains**

Need to define the roll of the Vice Captain and moving forward the role of Vice Captains will be a voted roll in the future.

Ambassadors could be added as well to create a team up to the captain to move forward this how they want to 😊

New members get personal introduction from the Captains

**Over subscription for sessions and approach**

Principle - Children get priority if there are any issues with numbers and adults will be requested to step down.

**Christmas party** - Possible options to do something within the constraints, current option would be to do something on the Swadlincote slope ....fun session....fancy dress skiing, egg and spoon, hoop throwing etc with santa in a tent at the bottom.

Proposed date session on the 12<sup>th</sup> December - up to the numbers (depending on social distancing)

All agreed this is a great idea - will book and we can assess closer to the time, even if it is only for 30 kids.

Christmas Jumpers 😊

**Merchandise** -James was thinking about the merchandise .... On Facebook to start selling it - great idea - Approved

**19<sup>th</sup> December ...will be skiing if we can - fancy dress**

**Award**

November the 19<sup>th</sup> - Molly and Norman - SSE lifetime achievement award  
Congratulations again 😊!!!!

13. [Date of next Committee meeting](#)  
Jan 20<sup>th</sup> 19.00