

Kinghorn Loch Users Group

Minutes of the Meeting held 10th March 2008 at 5.30 pm
at Craigenalt Cottage, Kinghorn

- 1) **Present:** Marilyn Edwards (Secretary) Margaret Kinninmonth (Treasurer) Fraser Ballantyne, Alan Henderson, Elinor Chalmers, Ron Edwards (Chairperson) Richard Neil, Ronnie Mackie, Paul McLaren Saul Gardiner
- 2) **Apologies** - Alistair Morrison, Ruth Welensky can not manage a Monday anymore
- 3) **Minute of the previous meeting.**
The minutes were proposed by Fraser Ballantyne and seconded by Margaret Kinninmonth.

4) Matters Arising

- a) Barley straw – Windy weather has been a problem to towing in the broken raft for repair. Ron would see to getting next 6 bales of barley straw for the loch.
- b) Litter collection for bin on the east side carpark area. The bin will be emptied weekly during the summer months by FC Community Services.
- c) The fishermen asked if they could have a timetable of others using the loch on a regular and events basis. The Canoe ~Club used the loch for training Mon – Thurs weekly with Regattas scheduled for 22nd June and 31st August. It was agreed to email the Scout and Guide groups to find out any dates they had planned. The Sailing Club were usually away from the loch in early May, not returning until October. The Ecology Summer Festival was planned for 23rd August. This information could be set up in a spreadsheet.

5) Correspondence

- a) FET annual newsletter available to view.
- b) BDT had forwarded the rest of the funding, now with the Treasurer.
- c) Candice Bonar had emailed to say that she was now the contact for monitoring the loch and asked for any information on algae in the loch. Ron to provide.
- d) The Vice Chair had emailed to say he wished to stand down. It was agreed to leave it until the AGM in May to fill this post.

6) Finalising the jetty project and finances

The final cheque from BDT, £820.66 had arrived and bills outstanding to Alan could now be paid. Some outstanding items were still to be fitted

- | Alan suggested recessing the moorings so that no damage would be caused to any boats
- | Some of the sand store had been replaced
- | Alan was still to get a nail gun and liaise with Roy Henderson (Sailing Club) to install the rubber matting for fendering
- | The seat was ready for installation

The stack of tyres at the wall were now not needed. Everyone was asked to help with their disposal.

Management Agreement for Loch User Groups

The chairman put forward a personal view of how the jetty area might accommodate all of the groups. It was decided that all the members would go back to their clubs to discuss the Management Agreement and bring back their comments for the next meeting.

He said that everyone should work for a consensus and the drafting of an agreement will not be a voting issue. This was agreed.

7) Any Other Business

- a) The Chairman put forward some changes to the constitution for consideration at next meeting:

- | Landowners/tenants to have a veto on any activities on their land.
- | Six month moratorium on a decision made unless there was urgent need to reconsider it.
- | A fixed membership (named groups & number of representatives) to be stated in the constitution.
- | Groups can substitute their representatives at any time.
- | Specify definite area and boundaries covered by KLUG

It was agreed that everyone would consider these suggestions within their own groups and report back ready for implementation at the AGM in May.

- b) The Carp Group had organised a working party in April to improve the the pathway along the loch side down to their camping areas.
- c) The secretary suggested the weekend of 29th/30th March for a small litter clean up on the east side of the loch.
- d) Future discussion – the bird hide and problems with correct usage.
- e) Consider asking Community Services for some No Dog Fouling Notices.

Date of next meeting Monday 14th April 2008 at 5.30pm

Date of AGM Monday 12th May 2008