

# Kinghorn Loch Users Group

Minutes of the Meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> May 2008 at 5.30 pm  
at Craigenfalt Cottage, Kinghorn

- 1) **Present:** Marilyn Edwards (Secretary) Fraser Ballantyne (Kinghorn Community Council), Margaret Kinninmouth, (Treasurer) Alan Henderson, Elinor Chalmers (Kirkcaldy Canoe Club), Ronny Duncan (Sailing Club) Ron Edwards (Chairperson) and Richard Neil (Craigenfalt Farm)
- 2) **Apologies** –Alistair Morrison Saul Gardiner, Paul McLaren (Scottish Carp Group)
- 3) **Minute of the previous meeting.**

The minutes were proposed by Alan Henderson and seconded by Fraser Ballantyne.

## 4) **Matters Arising**

- Maintenance items – the raft at the hide is to be moved out further into the loch and the one in the bay by the side of the road is to be mended. Ron Edwards said that he would help with these tasks.
- b) The barley straw has been promised for delivery within the next two weeks, it was hoped to get it into the loch straight away.
  - c) Jetty completion – Alan was looking for a still saw to cut fendering, Ronny Duncan offered help with this. Ronny also said that horned cleats were preferable along the jetty edge. He and Alan would get together on this.
  - d) It was hoped to have two seats in front of the wall on the new grass, one near to the slabs and the other closer to the corner by the bay. It was again noted that the turf was continuing to be damaged.
  - e) Ronnie M said that he had a new use for the used tyres but he needed to cut free the ones chained together.
  - f) The May “Come and Try Day” on the loch had been a successful event once more. There had been three enquiries about canoeing resulting from it. Everyone was thanked for their help.

## 5) **Finances.**

The Treasurer said that the finances stood at £527.11. The group would need to look at raising further funding to meet the cost of buying barley straw in the future.

## **Correspondence**

- a) An email had been received concerning a duck which had a trapped fish hook in its beak. It was removed but it highlighted a problem. Elinor agreed to keep a diary of any problems for wild life around the loch. The secretary and Ronnie M would inform the Carp Group about what had happened.
- b) The Chairman reported that the padlock for the sluice was lost. Also the Police and Community Services were looking at the problem of parking and fishing at the sluice and road area as this had safety implications.

## 6) **Any other business**

Alan asked for the sand used by the Ecology Centre to be returned.  
The date of the next meeting – 1<sup>st</sup> September 2008

