



Minutes of the 62nd Annual General Meeting of ULGMC

Held at the Millstone Inn, Hathersage on Saturday 20th of October 2012. The meeting convened at 6pm with the President Sue Darling in the chair.

1. Apologies for absence

Elspeth & Tim Howell, Tim & Caroline Marshall, Shaun West, Tess Shewell (ULMC President), Geoff & Margaret Batten, Jill & Mike Bennett, Bill & Carol Bristow, Geoff & Mary Williams, Phil & Rosemary Williams, Regina Brindley, Pat & Pauline Owens

Members sent their best wishes to Vice-President Tim Marshall.

2. Agenda

The agenda for the meeting was accepted by acclamation.

3. Minutes of the 2011 AGM

a) Adoption of minutes

The minutes of the 2011 AGM were accepted by acclamation.

b) Matters arising

The warden and trustees were still considering the best way to make use of the clubs offer of £500 to install doors on the Fallcliffe bedrooms.

4. Finance

c) Treasurer's report

The treasurer presented his annual report showing the club in good financial health. After the treasurer's early years having inherited somewhat neglected accounts, the accounts were now in a good state and the treasurer announced his intention of stepping down at the next AGM, giving time for an ordered handover.

d) Adoption of Accounts

The treasurer, Keith Mott, reported the accounts for two accounting periods due to the shift of the club's financial year:

- January 2011 to September 2011
- October 2011 to September 2012

The accounts had been scrutinized by the Hon Scrutineer, Mike Warden and found to be in order.

Trevor Hellen seconded by Neil Brindley proposed to approve the accounts. The accounts were

approved by acclamation.

e) Subscriptions

As the BMC had not increased subscriptions, the club subscription rates were left as follows:

- Individual member's rate: £20.00
- Family members' rate: £30.00
- Children's BMC insurance rate (optional): £7.00
- Overseas individual rate: £6.50
- Overseas family rate: £8.50

Eleanor Mott seconded by Les Bailey proposed to approve the subscription rates. The subscription rates were approved by acclamation.

f) Expenditure

The treasurer reported that donations had been made for 2011 and 2012 as agreed at the previous AGM:

- Mountain Rescue Council for England and Wales: £300
- Mountain Rescue Scotland: £100
- Friends of the Lakes: £60 (subscription less than the agreed £75)
- Friends of Snowdonia: £60 (subscription less than the agreed £75)

For the next year it was proposed to keep the same level of donations and on suggestion of Mike Warden to add a donation to the Search and rescue dog association (SARDA). SARDA leaflets were distributed and both Trevor Owen and Sue Esten talked about SARDA.

It was suggested to make the following donations:

- Mountain Rescue Council for England and Wales: £150
- Mountain Rescue Scotland: £50
- Friends of the Lakes: £30
- Friends of Snowdonia: £30
- Search and Rescue Dog Association: £50

Trefor Owen seconded by Trevor Hellen proposed to approve the donations. The donations were approved by acclamation.

The treasurer noted that in 2012 no subsidised climbing instruction for younger club members had taken place as instructors amongst the club members had volunteered, but proposed to continue to subsidise the climbing instruction at the Easter and August bank holidays and also extend this from children to less experienced, new club members.

Stephan Tietz proposed, seconded by Diane Bennett proposed to approve the instruction subsidy. The climbing subsidy was approved by acclamation.

5. Committee Reports

a) President

The President's report is carried separately in the newsletter.

b) Secretary

The secretary reported that the number of printed newsletters was slowly shrinking, to the benefit of the clubs finances.

There was more work on the website though as the hut trustees had asked for help implementing an on-line hut booking system. There was now also a number of volunteers to start improving the website and providing more information on-line.

The secretary also reported on the BMC Student Seminar where he had meet with the president of ULMC and with other London student club committee members and good links were forming.

Mike Pollitt was in progress of designing a questionnaire and this would be with members soon.

c) Membership Secretary

The membership secretary Keith Mott reported that although membership was down there were far more active members attending multiple events per year.

Year	Individual Members	Joint Members	Individual Overseas Members	Joint Overseas Members	Honorary Members
2011	37	49	1	1	13
2012	32	45	1	1	13

There were also 2 children registered for BMC Insurance through the club in both years.

d) Meets Secretary

The meets secretary, Heather Rumble, thanked all meet leaders for volunteering to continue leading their traditional meets and also thanked those who had volunteered to lead new meets.

The club now had a rejuvenated meets programme with a second Scottish meet and a meet in the Italian Alps next year.

The meets secretary also announced her intention to stand down at this AGM and stated that a volunteer had been found to take over the meets programme.

e) Trustees and Hut Wardens Report

Mike Warden presented a report for the hut wardens. Both Huts are now compliant with all relevant regulations and requirements.

The hut fees at Caseg Fraith were down from £19k to £17k and the trustees were considering raising hut fees. Linda Coombes a former recent ULMC president with experience in many different types of hut offered advice on what types of huts were asking for which fees in the free market as well as to students. Mike assured all that the student fees were to remain at the current levels, as students were the beneficiaries of the hut trusts. The current fees are per night:

- ULMC/ULGMC members and students of the University of London: £5
- Other students: £6
- Others: £8

Caseg had just had a new septic tank installed which completed the major works there.

Elspeth requested volunteers for a working weekend at Caseg.

New assistant wardens had been appointed as Ruth Greenal had retired and the new wardens had a good relationship with the Farmer.

Fallcliffe had received a new roof and stove and everyone congratulated the trustees and remarked on how much nicer the hut was for it.

f) Area representatives

Trefor Owen reported on the North Wales area meets:

- BMC is providing hut improvement loans from a pot of £200k
- Gloucestershire has received an Olympic legacy grant
- New quarry for climbing near Caernarfon
- Spate of thefts of fixed gear from limestone climbs
- New BMC bolt fund
- New day walk guide book
- New winter ascent book
- New CROW act areas
- Prestatin has a new indoor climbing wall
- The Beacon climbing wall has moved from the old Marconi transmission station
- Welsh coastal path is progressing

Trevor Hellen reported that the South West area group was still dormant.

Mark Stitson reported on the London area:

- The BMC had appointed a Sport England funded regional officer
- There were Sport England subsidised climbing courses for under-25s from the London and South East region at PYB

6. Programme for 2012

The detailed meets programme was presented by the meets secretary and agreed.

For the next AGM the ODG in the Lake District had been provisionally booked for the 19th of October 2013.

7. Elections

Two nominations for club officers had been received and incumbents apart from the President and Meets secretary had agreed to stand for re-election. As there were no contested positions, it was agreed that officers would be elected by acclamation with the retiring President Sue Darling in the Chair.

a) President

The current President Sue Darling nominated Heather Rumble the existing Meets secretary for the position of President. Frances Mott seconded the nomination. The nomination was received before the deadline for the AGM.

Heather Rumble was duly elected as the new ULGMC President.

b) Vice-president

Tim Marshall was confirmed as Vice-President.

c) Honorary secretary

Mark Stitson was confirmed as Honorary Secretary.

d) Honorary Treasurer and Membership Secretary

Keith Mott was confirmed as Honorary Treasurer and Membership secretary.

e) Honorary Meets Secretary

As the existing meets secretary Heather Rumble had been elected as President, Heather Rumble nominated Linda Coombes, previously committee member without portfolio, as the new Honorary Meets Secretary. Stephan Tietz seconded the nomination. The nomination was received before the deadline for the AGM.

Linda Coombes was duly elected as the new Honorary Meets secretary.

f) Co-opted committee members without portfolio

The co-opted committee members were confirmed as:

- Neil Brindley
- Mike Pollitt
- Stephan Tietz
- Mike Hale

8. Other Elections

a) Honorary Scrutineer of ULGMC accounts

Mike Warden had agreed to continue as Honorary Scrutineer of the ULGMC account and was confirmed by acclamation.

b) BMC Area representatives

Trefor Owen, Tevor Hellen, Mark Stitson and Ivor Delafield agreed to continue as BMC Area representatives for the club and were confirmed by acclamation.

c) ULMC representative

Mike Pollitt a former ULMC president who regularly meets with ULMC had agreed to take over from Mark Stitson as the ULMC representative and was confirmed by acclamation.

9. AOB

Janet Hellen proposed a vote of thanks to Sue Darling for her work as ULGMC President which was

supported by applause and general congratulations.

The new President Heather Rumble presented a design for club Polo Shirts/T-Shirts which would be available close to cost to those wishing to promote the club. This would make the club more visible especially when at meets with undergraduates.

A small celebration for the re-opening of Fallcliffe after the major works for the Sunday morning was announced.

The AGM ended with the Annual Dinner at 7pm.

Signatures after acceptance by the 2013 AGM

Heather Rumble, President

Mark Stitson, Secretary