

Minutes of the Committee Meeting on 22nd April, 2010

Meeting commenced at 6.36pm, in ENG404.405.

Present: Charis Wong, Rion Gulley, Richard Greatrex, Peter Luk, Anton Gulley, David Gauld, John Cater, Craig Smith, Christina Fullerton, Tom Goodman, Kat Collier, Andy Baddeley, Andrew Hudson, Sarah Wyse, Rosanna Walton

Apologies: Jane Dudley, Rob Conolley, Matthew Lillis, Jake Nana.

Minutes:

- Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.
 - o Moved, Kat Seconded, Tom

Matters Arising:

- The re-affiliation with AUSA was successfully.
- The grants application has also been passed successfully.

Past Events:

- Cave party has been held
- A good numbers of trips have been organised and the beginners bush school has also been held successfully.

Incoming Correspondence:

- FMC membership has to reply to Charis by 2nd May; AGM on 12th June, executives nomination. Charis will email to remind everyone.
- AAMC AGM/meeting on 10th May 7.30 pm in the Epsom Baptist Church Hall, 4 Inverary Ave., Epsom.
- An ARC invitation to a facilitated focus group discussion on Waitakere Ranges track standards and maintenance has been received. Andy will be interested to go along.
- FMC youth forum on 1st May 9.30am – 5.00pm, Airport Gateway Hotel, Mangere.
- March for anti-mining, 1st May 11am bottom of Queen st.
- We have also been invited to attend the Environmental Hui on the 15th May 9am.
- An invitation has also been sent by the AUSA to the Ecofest planning meeting on the 22nd April & 27th April.
- Rion suggested that a representative should be sent to attend these forums on a regular basis.

Treasurer's Report:

- An increase in the club account, \$ 9991.42 at the end of March before grants.

Agenda Items:

Grants committee:

- The grants committee would like to see an increase in membership fee for non-student members.
- This will be discussed in the next committee meeting.

Gear and gear hirage (Anton & Peter)

- Peter has a system in place for charging the gear out and taking deposits.
- The deposits will be \$40 and refundable if clean and dry for tents; \$10 for pots and cookers. This is for both club members for private and club trips per week.
- Suggestion has been made by Richard that hirage fee should be raised for non-club members. And that we should check how much we charged for AUT in the past.
- Peter will write a proposal for an official policy for this gear hirage system.
- If the tent is damaged, the deposit will not be refunded. And if it's largely damaged, members will be responsible to pay for the item.
- Richard suggested that forms should be made for members to sign when collecting gears.
- Anton suggested a fee should be charge for late returns, and that fee will be charged from the deposit if the hirage is overdue.
- Deposits of \$30 will be collected for EPIRB to the Safety officer and will be fully refunded.

Songbooks and T-shirts (kat)

- Kat suggested to print more T-Shirts.
- And that a form with choices of sizes and colours should be made for T-shirts order similar to AURAC.
- A T-shirt design competition can also be held.
- Nico will be organising for the T-shirts order.
- The decision for choice of material and type of T-shirt should be made in terms of cost.
- Kat also suggested to publish the club songbooks

Authorisation for captain's small expenditure:

- Approval has been given for club captain to spend up to \$100 for unrelated expenses.
 - o Moved, Charis Seconded, Richard Motion passed.
- If captain is away, she will give authorisation to other executives to approve the expenditure.
- Basic policy is that expenses should be made by individuals and will be reimbursed with receipts.

Cave party & intentions

- New system for the intention forms has been developed by Andrew H.
- The intention form has been reviewed & modified based on the intention form used by the Scouts; Andrew will send out the new intention form to the whole club and explain the new system.

- Andrew emphasized that this system is to raise the importance and bringing up people's awareness on the submission of intention forms.
- Andrew will email all the trip leaders to submit the intention form with assistance.
- Andrew will report in the next committee as if there is any problem regarding to this system.
- The intention form should also be sent to all the participants in individual trips to raise the awareness.
- A person should be assigned responsible for the safety aspects in social events; and that for any out-going trips, the person who intends to lead a trip should be responsible for the safety aspect.
- Suggestion has been made by Rion that a club member's information book should be given to new members when they sign up.
- This should include information such as intention forms, gears required for trips etc. A PDF form can also be placed on the club website.
- Trip leaders should be prepared to bring spare gears if they intend to bring new trampers on their trip.
- Kat suggested that survival kit can be given to club members at the beginning of the year. There are some available from the locker.
- Kat will send out an email to the club regarding to what happened in cave party
- Andy raised the idea of having RAMs form.
- Sarah has written a post regarding to risk management on the website.

Mining in National park

- A draft submission has been made by Kat for opposing mining on Schedule Four conversation land based on information from FMC.
- This submission has been made based on the view of how opening for mining in conservation land will affect the club activities, safety for club members to tramp around the area, and on the conservation perspectives.
- Kat pointed that a club email should be sent regarding to the mining issues and submission.
- All these emails will be sent to the committee for review before being sent to the club.
- Rion suggested that Representative as a club oppose the schedule of mining.
- Kat raised a motion that the club presents a unified view to oppose the opening of the Schedule Four area for mining.
 - o Motion passed. (For: 13 votes)

Purchase of club GPS

- Andrew suggested that the club should purchase a club GPS.
- Anton commented that we should emphasize the teaching/learning on map use rather than relying on the use of GPS. The use of a GPS will be a progression from map reading skills. And it is limited to certain area where no signal will be obtained in valleys.
- A map and compass practice section can be held during quad lunch or trips launch.
- The use of GPS in tops travel and alpine trips will be useful; and can be taught in bush school.
- A motion has been raised by Kat that whether a club GPS should be purchased.

For: 3votes Oppose: 6votes Abstentions: 5votes

- An email will be sent to Matthew regarding to a talk about Search and rescue procedure at the next trips launch.

Appointment of the club president

- A resignation email has been sent by David.
- Kat raised the motion for the acceptance of David's resignation
 - o Motion passed by the committee members attended the meeting.
- John has been nominated to be the club president.
 - o Motion passed by the committee members attended the meeting.
 - o John accepted the nomination.

Meeting adjourned 8.40pm.