

# CANOE ASSOCIATION OF NORTHERN IRELAND

MINUTES of the Council meeting held on Mon 6 August 2007

## ATTENDANCE

Jim Seymour	Mike McClure	Lorna Vance
Davy Boyle	Oisin Hallissey	Davy Maxwell
Erica Chisholm	Ashley Hunter	Mary Doyle
Rodger Hamilton	David McCann	Keith Fitzsimmons
Gerry Megahey	Naomi Maxwell	

## UKCC

Ashley outlined the new UKCC scheme. In September the new star awards come online. Level 1 and 2 coaching awards begin in October 07 and level 3 at the end of 2007. Levels 3 and 4 will be submitted on 31 January 2008 and there are no plans to change level 5 at present. Mike outlined the present ICU coaching scheme. He felt that not joining the UKCC scheme would have insurance and funding implications. The current BCU qualifications will hold at least until 2012. An open discussion took place on the pros and cons of the new scheme. We may be able to phase it in. Ashley will run paddler information evenings in Enniskillen, Newcastle and the north coast before Mike Devlin comes over to speak to CANI members on 20 September. All council members had reservations about the new UKCC scheme but feel that the alternatives aren't really viable. Joining the ICU coaching scheme may be a solution for some of our members. We cannot continue with the old scheme and even if we did BCU would have to offer the new one in N.I. anyway which would lead to conflict with CANI.

## MODERNISATION

A new audit is being carried out by Sport NI focussing on financial systems. We will have to draw up job descriptions for council members and become a limited company.

## SEA KAYAK TRAILER

The old one needs to be scrapped – it is not roadworthy and it would cost too much to make it so. Chris Smyth has offered £50 for it This was accepted .

## DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORT

Ashley reported that CANI will be having a stand at the Hillsborough Festival on 6 Oct and at the Green Living Festival in Castlewellan on 25 & 26 Aug. Tollymore is holding a Paddlesport Open Day on 1 Sept. Certain elements may be used for coach updating.

## ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Stephen Craig was co-opted on to council.

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Mon 3 September at 7pm in the CANI office at Lagan Watersports, 11-13 Ravenhill Road, Belfast.