

DUCC Exec Meeting 24/04/2025

Present: Charlie, Devon, Maddy, Jake, George, Mathew, Florance, Sam

Everyone turns up except for Charlie. Everyone waits for Charlie. Everyone starts without him.

Maddy: Could people please give me a number for their budget.

Membership for the summer term.

George: keep the 3 free sessions, as people will be more likely to join next year/ try it out

Jake: free session then either £20 for the term or £5 per session

Devon: we won't make much money anyway

Maddy: word it as £5 for kit hire

Mathew: Summer term socials plans. Barbecue social. Can't use boat house as MC don't allow alcohol

George: picnic instead?

Mathew: Saturday 31st May. Location to be confirmed.

Charlie arrives 40mins late

Charlie: ensure we keep track of how much we earn, change to 2 free sessions then start paying

Charlie: ideas for more socials?

Mathew: exams in May so people may not be keen. Barbeque social on 31st May. I leave the first week of June so others would have to lead socials.

Charlie: could also do one on Monday 9th June between reunion and the Alps.

Maddy: Make sure we keep the pool for next year.

Training week for BUCS

Charlie: Men don't care, BUCS is the training

Maddy: women already training

Maddy: outlines club finances. Not terrible but not great either. Club still owed a significant amount of website debt. This is mainly a few individuals. Will chase website debt with help of Charlie.

Maddy: send estimates of budget to her, we don't have tons for money, don't spend money unnecessarily, if you don't have a receipt then you won't get reimbursed

Charlie: had to spend lots of money on kit (polo paddles and BAs) this year but hopefully we don't need to do this next year. Should be careful with money next year, really go for recruitment and memberships in September

Florence: Club dry robes?

Charlie: we don't have many, would be good to get more

George: wait until memberships next year

Maddy: put it in your budget Florence, keep an eye out on marketplace then buy when they come up

Charlie: we need a budget for printing leaflets; we still have a lot left from the previous year. Will check the back of the boat house.

Charlie: assume we get an email in September about training for welfare, treasure, captain? But we don't know. Make sure team Durham knows who new exec is.

Charlie: How is alps trip going?

Jake: pretty much agreed on the date, leave on the 12th and come back on the 22nd. Once this is confirmed there will be progress.

Charlie: How are we sourcing paddleboards for the river wye?

Jake: Will speak to scouts, how many do we need

Charlie: 4-6

Maddy: We need to trial canoes on roofs

Charlie: Devon will sort out updating the club page on the university website.

Devon: I have an email for the person who can sort this. Will draft text. Should we add the new club video?

Charlie: Yes. Is the video on YouTube or the website.

Devon: YouTube. Need to get the video on YouTube for it to go on the university website. Sam, do you have access to club YouTube?

Sam: Yes and no.

Charlie: Try and get the video on YouTube. If there is nothing on there it may be easier to delete the club channel and remake it.

Devon: Can Jake and I get keys so we can run sessions?

Charlie: Yes. Some members of previous exec may be clingy. Will try and get them off Erica and Sophie ASAP.

Charlie: Internal fsrt training. It would be good to have a half-day training session and sign off more people to run sessions. Would focus on rescues that happen on the Wear.

Maddy: Welfare forms?

Florance: working on it, will look at previous years as a model.

Maddy: when are we planning to have future exec meetings, can we plan them in advance?

Charlie: Yes, 2 or 3 times a term, even if only 20mins to check in. Have a meeting before reunion – possibly before barbecue social. Devon to organise a week in advance so we don't forget about the meeting and turn up 40mins late.

Charlie: Canoe repair stuff has arrived – will sort fixing them with Devon, polo bumpers probably won't arrive before BUCS.

Maddy: does the men's team know what needs fixing before BUCS?

Charlie: Yes. Need to sand down paddles that Ben half fixed.

Charlie: Start summer series of Tuesday/Thursday next week. Charlie to lead. Sam to create social media post. Devon to add to the website.

Charlie: Don't break the website as we don't know how to fix it.

End of meeting.

