

Tees RC Second Coaches Meeting

September 5th 2006

Attendees: Tim Mallon, Steve Leigh, Philip Searle, Rob Cree, Piers Dixon, Ann Marie Coulton, Janet Wilkinson, Dick Wilkinson, Neil Hindle, John Green, Dilwyn Jones

Apologies: Dave Warburton, Christine Meikle, Kate O'Sullivan, Danielle Coulton,

1. Review of First Meeting

Notes are available from DPJ.

Questionnaire has not yet been circulated widely or placed on the website – action DPJ

2. Electronic information sharing

A private Yahoo newsgroup seems to meet the needs, similar to Teesrc and NERowing. It offers:

Membership by invitation

Messages can be viewed by logging onto group webpage or by opting to receive e-mails.

Important messages can be sent to the whole group by e-mail

Files can be stored in the newsgroup – available to coaches only.

Coaches Corner on the main Tees website can be used for public information.

Action: DPJ to discuss with Ian Smith, and set up Newsgroup.

3. Winter Training Update

John Green has asked RTWC management committee to consider maximising the use of RTWC with shared sessions etc between clubs. Tees RC representative is Victoria Laing, meeting is 14th September. Tees has ca 170 members and expects to have at least 80 training regularly at RTWC.

Action: DPJ to brief VL.

JJG is negotiating the use of University of Teesside with Mark Hawkins and Piers Dixon. Facilities include free weights and weight coaches. This is likely to be linked with a boat usage agreement. Free weights suitable mainly for performance athletes, 6-12 men and 6-12 women.

Following the RTWC management meeting, a club meeting will be needed to agree sessions and groups, session leaders, payment details etc. Action: DPJ and David Francis to set up.

4. Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) checks

Many CRB certificates and self-declarations have passed the 3-year validity period and need renewing. Steve Leigh will provide a list of those coaching and supervising juniors who need to be checked.

Ann Marie Coulton will provide a list of those coaching and supervising adaptive rowers, both adults and children.

Session leaders will need to ensure participant welfare guidelines are followed, and that only CRB-checked people are in charge of whole sessions or groups of children (under 18) and vulnerable adults.

The Club will strongly recommend that all coaches undergo a CRB check.

CRB checks must be done through the Club and ARA: those done through other organisations (including Coachwide) are not acceptable unless they are for employment as rowing coach.

5. Next Meeting

Tuesday 3rd October 8 pm or after training

To include a technical topic, and discussion of seminars (carried over from this meeting).