

# **Drumchapel and Clydebank Kayak Club**

**August/September 2006**

## **Newsletter**

### **Apologies**

Sorry for the delay in getting out this newsletter but the usual summers work has kept me away from the keyboards. But to make up for it I'll put everyone to sleep some Tidal Planning Information over the next few newsletters!!!! (Or do I have to add another apology for that.)

### **Norway**

After some false starts it looks like there will be another club trip to Norway next year, 25th of May – 3rd of June 2007. The location for the trip will be from Haugesund to Bergen and it will be a Grade A/B trip with an average daily paddling distance of around 15miles. Lasts years total cost was less the £500 per person for everything, including ferry, food, maps, car parks, fees, petrol, insurance etc. If we manage to book earlier we can save even more money. If you are interested in going please contact myself (Rab) as soon as possible

### **Membership Fees**

Could all members please note that your annual club Membership fees are due by the 1st of October!! Please note that if they are not paid by the A.G.M. and if there is a membership increase you will have to pay the higher price. So please pay as promptly as possible. The current annual costs are in the next paragraph.

### **AGM**

Please note the club will have its annual AGM on Wednesday the 25th of October 2006. The Meeting will be held in the Playdrome at 7.00pm. Remember this is your club and for the club to grow stronger it need's your ideas to be aired. Please find Items for the agenda, if you wish to add to them please come along to the meeting. If you are unable to make it along, but still have a point to raise please pass the information one to one of the club office bearers. Please note that all office bearers must stand down at point 7. We then ask for people to nominate themselves, or have someone nominated to a particular post. If two or more people are nominated for one post, it will then go to a vote. (This does not apply to the General Members)

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Adoption of Minutes of last AGM
4. Chairman's Report
5. Secretaries Report
6. Treasurers Report
7. Election of Office Bearers

Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary, Equipment Officer, Sea Kayaking, River, General Members (2), Junior Members, Web Officer.

8. Membership Fees. Junior - £15.00, Adult Unwaged £15.00, Adult £25.00, Family £35.00  
Pool Fees, Loch Lomond Fees, Trips & multi day-trip fees.
9. ACOB
10. Keys
11. New Playdrome!
12. Personal Development – Skills - Star Awards - Coaching
13. Stores, New equipment!
14. Date for Next Committee Meeting

## Trips

Over the last few months we have been busy at the club paddling all over Scotland, and even the odd raid into hostile English waters. So hopefully we can see some of the reports in the next newsletter. To look forward now, on the 7th of September we have a gentle short night paddle across to Dunoon on a hopefully clear and full moon evening, and we might even land by a pub! The next big paddle is across to the Small Isles over the September Weekend, but with the weather being normally bad over the holiday weekends there may be alternatives, so keep your ears open, **definitely** a B/C trip. (There may be an extended paddle over the following week finishing up on the 30th!!!! Or day trips closer to home.)

One of the last camping trips of the year is up to Applecross with some fantastic scenery and this is just a gentle Grade A trip. On the 4th and 5th of November we have a few days going down the River Spey. This will be a Friday night start and staying in bunk houses on the way. We are planning to be on the water for around 10am at Loch Insh, and for those who cannot make it up on Friday Night, if you leave Glasgow around 6.30am on the Saturday morning you could make it on time. This is a Grade 2 river (just!) If anyone is interested please contact myself by the AGM. On the 3rd of December we have a gentle but spectacular trip down Loch Leven, by Glencoe, and on the 16th of December we have our annual Mince Pie Paddle on Loch Lomond.

## New Kayaking Book

One of our old members Robin Lloyd Jones has written a book about his expedition to the West Coast of Greenland. It's called "Fallen Pieces of the Moon" published by Whittles Publishing. [info@whittlespublishing.com](mailto:info@whittlespublishing.com)  
[www.whittlespublishing.com](http://www.whittlespublishing.com) (Price £14.99. ISBN 1-904445-31-4)

## Pool

Pool sessions start again on Tuesday 5th September. This is earlier than planned previously and was brought forward as it's getting too dark outside for safety considerations.

## Diary

Date	Location	Grade	Organiser
September 7	Dunoon Night Paddle	A	Rab Tel: 01877 382141
September 22-25	Rhum – Canna	B/C	Rab
September 26-30	?	?	Rab
October 14-15	Applecross	A	Rab
October 23	AGM		
November 4-5	River Spey (Canoe +Kayak)	Grade 2	Rab
December 3	Loch Leven (Glencoe)	A	Rab
December 6	(TBC) Night Paddle	B	Rab
December 16	Mince Pie Paddle	A	Rab