



## **SPKA Committee Meeting Minutes**

26th January 2004

Venue: Westport Bar, St Andrews

Meeting Opened At: 10.10am

Members Present: Rachel Fowden, Bill Carle, Jo Carle,  
Keith Haynes, Roger Blake, Paul Smith,  
Tom Arlott, Kevin Arlott, Mark Ward

Apologies From: Dan Fowden, Sim Culpin, Stuart Potter

### **Matters Arising**

The minutes of the AGM were reviewed and accepted as a true and accurate record.

Proposed: Bill Carle

Seconded: Roger Blake

New SPKA Logo: Various designs were discussed. Bill Carle's design was chosen as the most suitable for our requirements.



Action: None

Web Site: Paul Smith to speak to Gordon Blakemore regarding current ISP. The renewal for web space is due and we can achieve the same results at a much cheaper cost. Business Serve renewal is approximately £99 for the year. Via Joshua Internet the cost reduces to approximately £40 a year.

Action: Paul

Insurance: Council are not interested if members have Insurance or not. This is as most people would be more likely to sue the council rather than an individual. From that it would appear that we have no need to display that members are insured. The feasibility of Day Insurance was also discussed. We probably need more guidance on this from the PKSF. It would probably only be valid for a properly organised event. Council would require event forms for any structured event held on the beach. So we would need plenty of time to plan and organise such an event. We should look at doing Risk Assessments for the beaches we use. Keith Haynes proposed that we produce a sticker for members that will have space to enter a members number on that can be displayed 'somewhere'. Roger Blake will source sticker once a design is decided upon.

Action: On Hold

Associate members: Do we give associate members no right to vote or do we get rid of associate member level completely. What do associate members want out of the club? What can we offer them (insurance). Mark Ward will speak to members of the Aberdeen Powerkite club and assess their requirements.

Action: Mark

Constitution: This was discussed. Changes required will be made and the whole document will be agreed upon at the next meeting.

Action: Rachel

Future Events:

Suggestion received from Mike Nunn regarding an expedition to the Western Isles. Buggy/Kitesurf Week etc. Paul to write to members with suggestions.

Action: Paul

Keith Haynes suggested Children in Need light up the sky event at end of year.

Action: On Hold

Funding: Should we apply for funding to take a minibus of members to an event at Hoylake or X-Zone event. Will need to check dates of such an event and poll round members for feedback.

Action: Paul

**AOCB:**

1. We need to set some realistic targets for training. This may mean holding 1 event (no class, open event) but say 4 or 5 races so everybody who wants to take part gets a go (time limit race rather than number of laps). Any International team we put together would not strictly be Class 8 as we are no longer affiliated to BFISLY/FISLY. We would need to consider how that sort of entry is handled. As Gordon is Race officer we need dates from him to find out his availability. Suggested that Mark Ward contacts Gordon to arrange such an event. Mark would ideally like us to run 2 events (1 triangular course and 1 Endurance event).

Action: Mark

2. PKSF require a letter from ourselves on headed paper to send out with reminders for renewals.

Action: Paul/Roger

3. Some members would like a contact sheet to allow members to contact each other direct to arrange buggy meets. This will either require permission to be granted on the membership application form or some other method. (Secretary's Note: Since meeting I have set up the SPKA group on Yahoo (URL is <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/spka> members will need to sign up for a free yahoo groups account and the list access will be restricted only to those members that we give permission to. Using this will enable members to contact each other with ease and will allow us to publicise events and make general SPKA announcements).

**Date of next Meeting:**

Next club weekend will be 22/23 March 2003. Location: Balmedie, Aberdeen

Next Committee meeting will be 23 March 2003. Mark will arrange location.

Action: Mark

**Meeting closed at 11.45am.**