

Inverness Backcountry Snowsports Club – Meeting at Emmanuel’s house, Inverness, 30th August 2016

Present – Peter, Mike, Troy, Donald, Matt, Lizzie Kev, Fiona, Julie

Apologies – Nicky, Rose

Approval of minutes from last meeting

Approved.

Matters arising

- None.

Review of season

- Programme – The programme was thought to have been very successful with increased membership, high turnout on events and all of the more out of the way trips being well attended. Highlights were the Glenuig weekend, the Braveheart Bivvy, the end of season social and the open evening.
- Membership systems – These functioned well and both Troy and Rose were thanked for their hard work.
- Finance – The Club had about £3,300 in its bank account.

Next season’s programme

It was agreed that Donald would put together a first draft for circulation. The season opener event was scheduled for the 3rd of November 2016 at the Glenmhòr Hotel.

Equipment

The equipment (transceivers, shovel and probe) had been well used and the club should consider buying more.

IBSC Club Hut

Peter and Donald had met with representatives of Nevis Range (NR) on the 12th of August. NR had been supportive of the idea and all agreed that the next steps should be:

- To approach SNH regarding the site of the hut.
- To approach East Lochaber and Laggan Community Trust (ELLCT) to find out if they might be supportive.

Following the meet with NR, Donald had contacted both of the above organisations. SNH had been helpful and informative citing some potential issues around designations of land and differing views on developments in mountainous areas.

ELLCT did not wish to comment publically and informed the Club that their plans to purchase the estate would be clearer by November 2016 and that they would prefer that discussions be limited to the IBSC committee at the present time. This was agreed.

AOCB

Committee members for next season.

Peter, Kev and Fiona would all be standing down from the Club committee due to commitments elsewhere. They were thanked for their contributions to the Club in recent years.

Date of next meeting – 27th September at 7pm, location TBC