Holy Loch Sailing Club
Sandbank, Dunoon, Firth of Clyde

BOARD MEETING MONDAY 11th May 2026, 7pm

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Apologies and Board Interests

Present: John Harrison, A Clements, A McVicar, Kirsty Brown, Bill Aitchison, Ruth Lee, Catriona Craig

Apologies: A McLean, Stuart Brown, Marion Bowen, Neil Towart and Harris Munns.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Two amendments to the previous minutes

1. Ruth had received her PVG
2. CYCA subscription £110

With the requested updates the minutes were approved by A McVicar and seconded by A Clements

3. Matters Arising and actions still to be closed

a. ABC Lease – CC has been back intouch with the lawyer re A Clements' comments awaiting response. It was suggested that CC let Mandy Finfer review the lease before we get it signed off.

4. Commodore

Commodores report 11 May 2026

Changing rooms

The project is now essentially complete, we have a couple of minor parts to add such as mirrors in both the mens and ladies changing rooms. Alastair McLean and Bob Donaldosn have very kindly refurbished the benches which look great. Steven Gibson have charged twice for the electric works which I need to check with them as the original quote was for £251.42, however they did come out more than once for the job. I will confirm with them whether we should have been charged twice. Final invoice received from David Peacock for travel costs and fittings.

Item	Description	Cost	Supplier	
Benches	Refurbish		Keep best and refurbish - have bought paint for wood and metal, AMcL has fix for damaged benches	
Ceiling painting	White silk paint, Black matt paint, cutting in brush, wood paint, 2 paint rollers, 2trays	98.89	Walkers - HLSC DR card	KB
Ceiling painting	Paint and Caulking	21.48	Walkers - HLSC DR card	KB
Ceiling painting	Cutting in brush	5.49	Walkers - HLSC DR card	KB
Ceiling painting	Returned paint credit	-17.99	Walkers - HLSC DR card	KB
Ceiling painting	Masking tape, cleaner & turpentine	7.00	Pricewise - HLSC DR card	KB
Cubicles	Coat/towel hook - 2 Packs of 5	13.70	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Cubicles	Cubicle feet - 2 off	30.38	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Cubicles	Ladies Cubicles & Mens extended partition panels & 2 vanity units	1,000.00	Invoice received William Baker - includes cubicle partitians and 2 vanity units - Paid	DP
Cubicles	Pacific Hinge 19mm - S&A - Washroom Warehouse 6 off	138.85	Washroom warehouse - KB reimbursement	KB
Cubicles	Latches - pack of 5	35.99	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Cubicles	Wall mounted seats - we need 5 (3 ladies - 2 Men)	120.94	Comfort Grip Wall Mounted Folding Shower Seat - White/Chrome	DP/KB
Electrics	Shower switch & water heater moves -Move shower switch in ladies & water heater	251.52	Gibsons Qoute - await invoice	KB
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Floor	Flexible concrete - Filler for cracks in both changing rooms	59.12	JH to give me actual figure	VJH/JH
Floor	Epoxy anti slip paint - 5 tins	474.75	Premium Paints - KB reimbursement	KB
Floor	Floor primer - 2 tins	159.90	Premium Paints - KB reimbursement	KB
Floor	Delivery charge	70.00	Premium Paints - KB reimbursement	KB
Floor	Hazard tape	6.25	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Floor	spiked shoes for painting - 2 pairs	19.98	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Floor	Paint rollers and brushes	42.94	Walkers - HLSC DR card	KB
Toilets	Flexible waste replacement & cistern pipe in gents -needs replaced in ladies and gents	25.95	Ralph submitted receipts	DP
Vanity Unit - Mens	Sink Mens	85.00	Purchased B&Q	KB
Misc	pricewise	3.90	Cleaner	
Vanity unit - Ladies	Sink - Milano Dalton Modern white	99.99	Amazon - KB reimbursement	KB
Changing rooms	Travel & Fuel - D Peacock	515.00	DPeacock invoice	DP
Changing rooms	Fittings and pipework	140.00	DPeacock invoice	DP
	Total	3,855.55		

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Registered SCIO SC052823

Safety boats
Rota issued to volunteers and posted in the clubhouse. PB2 refresher course completed)Neil Towart to update.
Need to organise safety boat course for volunteers – AmcLean & N Towart to co-ordinate. Neil already has the list from me of potential candidates

Funding
Update below from RYA re Sports Scotland funding – Roberta Brown and Andrew Finfer have been attending online meetings as HLSC representatives.

Hi All
It was great to see so many of you online over the last couple of meetings, we hope you found the meeting useful and hopefully thought provoking.
As discussed, we are keen to keep the conversation going and our request is for you to keep in touch with your regional lead.
North RDO - Leon Ward Leon.Ward@ryascotland.org.uk
West RDO - Laura Cowan Laura.Cowan@ryascotland.org.uk
East RDO - Rhys Gorman Rhys.Gorman@ryascotland.org.uk
We have attached the slides from yesterday's meeting and the video as a wee reminder of some of the discussions. Hopefully it sparks some more thoughts. Please find the link to the recording here- https://youtu.be/Pon13Pk1qHk

Summer of Sport Fund.
RYA Scotland will be submitting our proposal for funding on the 1st May and we will be in touch if we are successful, but we encourage you to have a look at the slides and see if funds could be released to your project for this summer. Again, keep engaging with your RDO as they will be able to steer you based on the guidelines.

Club Support Fund
This is one of the big pieces and requires us to be working collaboratively, thus we are keen for you to reach out to other clubs/organisations within your geographical area and encourage them to explore some options. We will continue to explore options for these roles and will reach out to the network.
We do envisage working in clusters of partners on a geographical format; however, we are also keen to hear from individual partners who are interested. In the cluster concept we will need "Host" organisations to fulfil the roles.
As noted in the timeline we are keen to push for the end of May deadline but recognise that this may be too much of a challenge for some clusters, however we would like to continue to build cases for the second round.
The key message is to reach out to your Regional Development Officer.

Pathway Fund
The pathway team will continue to work on the proposal and are likely to engage with class associations and pathway clubs on what the vision is. The pathway review is worth noting on what we are looking to achieve https://www.rya.org.uk/racing/british-sailing/sailing-pathway/the-review/
Huge thanks again and we look forward to hearing from you soon.
Cheers

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PVG Checks
Joyce is now working through the safety boat volunteers. There was an initial issue with disclosure Scotland who didn't have safety boat crew on the list but I believe this has now been resolved.
SCIO Reporting
I have been working on the narrative for the annual reporting and had a meeting with the treasurer to work on the financials. I have had to work through the management accounting reports in 2025 to complete the year end, this is now done and am just working through the back up with John to make sure we have everything required for the auditor. We plan to submit the first draft during May for approval to submit to Hendersons for examination, this is slightly later than we said last month. Treasurer has confirmed that Hendersons accountants are happy to continue as our examiners.
Long Term Infrastructure Sub committee
The first meeting has taken place in April and Alastair Mclean will report on this going forward.
Volunteer Awards
Await notification from Tsi, I haven't heard anything yet.
Other information
Slipway signs ordered from Argyll Print await pickup

5. Treasurer

6. Secretary's Report May 2026

Occasional Licences

Licence for Piper Cocktail Party has been applied for.

Club House Bookings

Club House has been used recently for funeral teas following the sad deaths of club members Cushla Thoms and Bronwen Angus. Both events have gone smoothly and huge thanks go to the ladies who have given up their time to come along and help, especially Joyce and Tricia.

Argyll and Bute Council Lease

I have received a response from Harper McLeod (see below). I have also now forwarded the lease to club member

Hi Catriona,

I hope you are well. With regards to your queries:

Break Clause – this was agreed in the Heads of Terms at 15 years with the Council. I can ask if they are willing to change this to 5 years however given the use of the area and the fact that the lease is for 56 years, I think that 15 is more typical. If you could confirm your instructions on this I can ask the question.

Indemnity – In simple terms, this clause does not remove all risk from Club. The Club still carries responsibility for anything caused by its own actions or failings, and for areas or matters it keeps control of, such as common parts or existing defects. There is also a risk if the Tenant's insurance is not good enough, has gaps, or if the Tenant cannot pay because of financial difficulty, as the indemnity then offers limited practical protection, however as the Tenant is the Council, this is very unlikely. In addition, some responsibilities, particularly under health and safety or environmental law, can stay with the Club as owner even if the Tenant is at fault. Finally, claims that do not clearly arise from the Tenant's use of the land or a breach of the lease may still fall on the Club. The risk is low but not zero.

Car Park – if the Club needs access over the car park to access the club specifically then I can add this into Clause Ninth

I hope this makes sense. If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Many thanks

Caley

Ardnadam Pier

I have contacted Bidwells, as has Ali Gordon. They have received no communication from Crusader Marine and will keep us posted.

Club Handbook

The club handbook is currently at the printers being set. Still have to proof but should be printed within the next 2 weeks.

Bidwells

Have contacted Bidwells to chase up invoice yet again– now received the new contract

7. Membership Secretary

Total Renewals as of 11/05/2026

- Full Membership - 64
- Social Member - 17
- Family Membership - 5
- Junior Member - 27 (2 still to pay)
- Intermediate Member - 4
- Cadet Fees Paid - 24 (2 still to pay)
- Race Fees - 19 (1 of these is for series one only)
- Moorings - 38

The above junior and cadet fees include both new and returns. There are a further 2 new cadets joining this week. This will make the cadets full for this year. Any further enquiries/applicants will be placed on a waiting list.

New Full Member Applications - 10 (still to receive payment for 1 of these)

Donations to Callum McLachlan Fund - 5

Parking

- Tender Parking Summer - 21
- Trailer Summer - 10
- Dinghy Summer - 15
- Dinghy Winter - 3
- Boat up to 8m Summer - 2
- Boat up to 8m Winter - 7
- Boat greater than 8m Summer - 1
- Boat greater than 8m Winter - 1
- Boat up to 6.1m Summer - 12
- Boat up to 6.1m Winter - 5
- Canoe/Kayak/SUP - 2

Actions Completed

- Completed an online Foundation GDPR course
- Have read our privacy policy
- Emailed [redacted] enquiring if he still has a boat in the car park. He has replied stating that he has. I have informed him that he requires to pay the appropriate storage fees.
- Emailed Neil Wilson to enquire if he knows the name of who owns the Sanderling Mooring, awaiting reply.

Subscription Issues

- 4 renewals submitted but not yet showing as having been paid. I have emailed John for confirmation re this today.

Ruth Lee
Membership Secretary

8. Events

Spring Tea made a profit of £500 revenue was approximately £900.

Skiff – launch trolly and cover have now arrived.

Sunday 14th June is to be the launch party, we will need a licence. There was some discussion about a 24hr licence as the World Cup starts that week. It was agreed that this would be too complicated re licences etc.

The skiff launch will take place at 2pm Gordon Ross is to be invited. There will be a BBQ and music provided by the Ardentinny Ukelele Band. Entertainment licence to be applied for.

Naming Ceremony – envelopes £5 to name the skiff submissions to be in before end of this month.

Social Media posts will go out ahead of the event.

Need to produce an operating procedure document for the skiff.

9. **Cadet Report 11/5/26**

Actions carried out:

1) Powerboat Lv2 refresher run with, Ali Gordon, Ali Mclean, Ali MacVicar and Ali Clements. Everyone good and happy to sign off.

2) Harris Munns signed up to instructor course. Graeme will run pre assement.

3) Joyce and I are working through the PVG checks for Safety boat rota.

4) Have purchased cadet parts, wheels, halyards, blocks and bungee for new season. Totally £383.18 which John has paid thanks.

5) Cadets has started the first night on the 23rd of April was a rigging and shake down night for existing cadets with 16 cadets attending and no issues. The 30th of April the new cadets joined us with 21 attending. Unfortunately, the wind picked up to a force 5 from a north easterly direction and stopped us going out. We still had plenty of work to do onshore that night. 7th of May we managed to get on the water again in tricky conditions North Easterly 3-4. Everyone did well with 24 attending. Thanks as always to all the helpers that make this happen.

Kind Regards

Neil

Cadet Report

10. Sailing Secretary

SAILING SECRETARY REPORT

The first two races of Series 1, and the Opening Regatta have taken place. A reasonable start to the season windwise, but the start at the Opening Regatta was postponed for an hour. Fortunately a result was obtained within a reasonable time frame. However, an additional clause has been

added to the Sailing Instructions enabling an equitable arrangement to exist between social requirements and results requirements. It's a 'blue moon' thing, but it's there if necessary.

The separate courses for Dinghies has worked well, although, after the first night, a flaw in the S.I.'s was noticed, was rectified for the second race, and approval reigns. It may well be that the separate courses for Dinghies on a Wednesday will be altered in Series 2, but that will only be implemented with the approval of all dinghy participants.

Bill Aitchison Hon Sailing Secretary

The Combined Muster with Fairlie and Clyde Corinthian Yacht Club seemed to go well. Everyone was happy with the set up and a nice email received from Bill Anderson CCYC and also from Eilidh Orr.

11.**Long Term Infrastructure Committee**

A Clements is producing a decision making matrix.

12. Projects and Funding

14. Skiff Storage – tbd at next meeting.

15. Solar Panels – see attached proposal we have received a proposal for solar panels on the roof. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

17. A.O.C.B

Roddy Angus has written to the club thanking everyone and has made a donation for the help and support he received on the day of Bronwen's Funeral.

Outdoor Tables

It was asked that these be put onto the maintenance list as they are now becoming dangerous to sit on

Website Volunteer

Need to put out an email requesting a volunteer to run the website.

18. Date of next meeting – (15th June TBA 2026)

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SEDERUNT 2026	No of meetings since AGM 05						
	Present	On-line	Apologies		Present	On-line	Apologies
Kirsty Brown	4	1	0	Bill Aitchieson	2		3
Alasdair McLean	1	1	3	Harris Munns	3		2

John Harrison	5			Marion Bowen	4		1
Catriona Craig	5			Stuart Brown	3	1	1
Ruth Lee	4		1	Alisdair Clements	3		2
Neil Towart	4		1	Alasdair MacVicar	4		1