# Irish Mountaineering Club
## Cumann Sléibhteoireachta na hÉireann

**Meeting 31st March 2014 at 8.00 p.m.**

**Awesome Walls.**

*Meeting Minutes*

***Attendees:*** *Cillian Russell (Membership), Vanessa Sumner & Sinead Rickerby (Meets), Declan Finnegan (Treasurer), Cearbhall Daly (Webmaster), Se O'Hanlon (Chairman), Dave Madden (Secretary), Kevin Coakley (Training officer), Bénédicte Reau (Librarian), Christy Rice (Hut warden), Peter Wood*

***Absent and apologies****: Ian Christie (Publicity Officer)*

1. To accept the minutes of meetings on 13th January & 17th February

   The minutes of both meetings were accepted by the committee. Proposed Sinead, seconded by Vanessa.

2. Correspondence

   Andy Kirkpatrick

   The Andy Kirkpatrick event is not happening this year. Andy has changed his plans.

   Stretcher

   It appears likely that the original IMC stretcher was lost in a fire at the Glendalough Hotel sometime in the past. Christy will attempt to verify events and communicate back to Dave. Dave will then formally respond to Barry O' Flynn.

   DWMRT

   The response from DWMRT was warmly welcomed by the committee.

   Auditors Report

   The committee noted and accepted that the auditor's report on the 2013 accounts had been received.

   Chair about Intro Policy

   The current policy regarding introduction of new members to the club had been discussed at previous meetings. Se O'Hanlon managed to locate the club meeting minutes from 2001 when the new policy had been formally adopted. The current policy does not form part of the club constitution. The club policy can be changed by simple majority vote at the club AGM.

   Kids Competition at Awesome Walls

   The committee agreed that it was a useful initiative from a PR point of view to sponsor a prize at the Awesome Walls Kids competition. Vanessa agreed to find out what an appropriate prize was for this event. Due to the short notice the committee agreed that this could be paid for without further discussion.

   Title for Cillian's role.

Cillian to revert at the next committee meeting with suggestions for his new officer title. The role generally involves member support and development although the role should be kept distinct from the training officer role.

3. Web site update - Cearbhall / Peter Wood

Peter Wood presented the progress on the new IMC website.

The committee agreed that the IMC logo should be left as it appears on the new, draft website.

The original budget for the website project was €2000. An additional €200 is required to facilitate transfer of data from the old site to the new one. This was approved

In addition it is possible that the designer may require more funds if the project runs over budget. The committee agreed that this is possible in principle and will be discussed when/if the issue arises.

As a gesture of goodwill to the web designer the committee agreed to pay for one year's membership of the IMC for her.

With regard to the separation of the Blog/Forum the committee agreed that we should abide by previous decisions in this matter.

Peter Wood recommended that the website development currently underway should exclude the membership/database integration. Peter recommended that this be handled as a Phase 2. The committee agreed to this recommendation.

The timeframe for completion of Phase 1(website only) is within 2-3 weeks. The timeframe for Phase 2 (membership database integration) is to be determined.

For Phase 2 Peter is investigating a number of technical solutions including Member Mojo.

The committee agreed that as part of the new website a refresh of the current content should be made. Each committee member should look at the current IMC website and review content relevant to their particular area with the goal of providing new content for the new website.

Peter pointed out the fact that officer photos on the current website are of variable quality and

asked officers to supply more inspiring pictures.

4, Publicity Report – Ian Christie

Ian's report was read and accepted by the committee. It was agreed that the previous decision concerning member only access to the website forum should not be revisited at this point.

5. To agree date of next meeting.

The next committee meeting will be held on the Monday 12th May, 8pm at Awesome Walls. Dave agreed to book the room.

6. AOB

Library

Bénédicte stated that the IMC library is now located and integrated at Mountaineering Ireland.

Nepal Day

Sinead raised the issue again of participating at the Nepal Open Day at Farmleigh. The committee agreed that there needed to be some direct relevance for the IMC to participate. Sinead agreed to speak with Gerry Galligan and see if he would be interested in co-funding participation at this event. Gerry could then generate some book sales and the event would be more relevant to the IMC.

Loud music at the IMC hut

Christy raised the issue of some groups generating excessively loud noise while staying at the IMC hut. The committee agreed that Christy should take action to minimise this issue.

Christy raised the issue that Paul Neary is still listed as partly responsible for the hut on the IMC website. The committee agreed that Cearbhall should remove Paul's name from this part of the website.