

01/07/2025 ULSA Committee Meeting

Present

Alice Shackley	Aidan Keegan	Nat Dalton
Mike Butcher	George Crawford	Rachel Turnbull
Michael Fern	Janey Gregory	Kristian Brook
Emilly Williams	Tara Delaney	Chris Williams

Apologies

Lyndon	EJ	Ben Chadock
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Review of minutes and actions from last ULSA committee meeting and ULSA AGM

- Last committee meeting
 - Conservation trips - Aidan contacted the BPC; **Nat to introduce Aidan to RRCP people**
 - Documents to website - upload committee stuff (ongoing committee meeting minutes), AGM minutes; **Nat to action for next meeting**
 - CNCC attendance sorted (close action or keep ongoing)
 - BCA membership (check if Chris/Carla have actioned)
 - Sort out Orpheus ban, letting dust settle (**Mike to follow up**)
 - Dinnermeet actions (**closed off as dinner meet happened**)
 - AGM (quorate at least) - **closed off as occurred**
- AGM Actions
 - Renewal of domain name has occurred
 - Follow up on membership non-renewal
 - Rachel - since membership some people have joined; Rachel to chase people who didn't renew
 - Club merch - discussed later

Review of Dinner Meet 2025

- Mike everyone enjoyed dinnermeet, not heard many complaints
- Didn't dwell too much on what the club had done in the last 60 years
- Talks took up the Saturday evening; may should schedule them somewhere else
- Rachel - hugely successful
 - Vote of thanks to Lindy for organising
 - Mike, Alice and Chris for food
 - Sam Alshorn for carrying big pots of hot soup and BBQ-ing
- Alice - could have been more games; Kristian seconded mandatory fun
- Aidan suggested prizes
- Mike (reading Lyndie's thoughts):
 - Lyndie didn't like the spreadsheet
 - Suggests going back to usual date (March time) (Rachel agreed); Alice suggested March might make camping difficult
 - Aidan - missed out lots of students as term had finished; maybe should've been the month before(?)
 - Tara - didn't really feel like a student event (older people thing) as it was out of term time

Thoughts for Dinner Meet 2026

- Lyndie doesn't want to do it next year
- Many people organising, start organising in August
 - Kristian, Chris W, Mike B, Tara to form a working group

ULSA merch order

- Kristian to coordinate this; hopefully coopt Ben C
 - ULSA t-shirts

ULSA website

- Photos from old website onto new website (**Alice to action**)
- Website has stagnated a bit; would like more rants (especially from students)
 - Rachel - can we run a competition to write the best rant; (**Kristian to sort this**)

Upcoming dates / events

- **Rachel to organise ULSA weekend trip on 5-7th September;** maybe SW/somewhere exotic
- **Janey wants to help organise Christmas weekend; Janey to collate a newsletter article with dates**
- Aidan happy to help organise stuff too
- Hidden Earth 27 - 28th September
- Mendips is booked (Shepton) 11 - 12th October
- Shepton PSM trip is 1st two weeks of August
- Paul Pot 7th Feb (**Nat has booked permit**)

ULSA summer holiday (2026)

- Rachel wants to go the Vercour and is happy to organise, maybe get a Berger permit
- Mike Could just join the organised trip that is rigged (or the weekend before)
- **Rachel to organise and liaise with Mike (get provisional dates for next meeting)**
 - Lots of nice splashy caves
 - Canyoning
 - MTB/walking/climbing
- (Tara) lots of students could be convinced

LUUCaS / ULSA petty cash account

- Petty cash (George); some student accounts got caught by university and university got grumpy (suspended accounts)
- Aidan -
 - ULSA members pay into petty cash account
 - Socials go into petty cash
- Nat; risk of petty cash account being individuals name and is legally their money (tbc)
- **(Chris, Aidan and George to discuss and propose actions for next meeting)**

Any other business

- Chris to message Tonks about the Watty fund (ongoing change)
- Chris to upload inventory onto the ULSA website
- Chris to send accounts to Ane Appelt (ongoing)

Date and time of next meeting

30th September at 1900

Summary of actions ([master copy here](#)):

Nat	01/07/2025	Nat to introduce Aidan to RRCPC people	In progress
Nat	01/07/2025	upload committee stuff (ongoing committee meeting minutes)	In progress
Mike	01/07/2025	Follow up on Orpheus ban	In progress
Various	01/07/2025	Dinner meet actions	Complete
?	01/07/2025	AGM stuff	Complete
?	01/07/2025	Renewal of domain name	Complete
Rachel	01/07/2025	Follow up on membership non-renewal	In progress
Kristian	01/07/2025	Coordinate merch	In progress
Alice	01/07/2025	Move photos from old website onto new website	In progress
Kristian	01/07/2025	Sort rant competition	In progress
Rachel	01/07/2025	Organise ULSA weekend trip on 5-7th September	In progress
Janey	01/07/2025	Newsletter article with trip dates	In progress
Nat	01/07/2025	Book Paul Pot permit (7th Feb)	Complete
Rachel	01/07/2025	Research and plan club holiday to the Vercour	In progress
Chris Aidan George	01/07/2025	Discuss petty cash account and propose way forward	In progress
Chris	01/07/2025	Message Tonks about the Watty fund	In progress
Chris	01/07/2025	Upload survey inventory onto website	In progress
Chris	01/07/2025	Send accounts to Ane Appelt	In progress