

Andy Jackson Fund for Access

The Fund has been established as a charitable unincorporated association in commemoration of the life of Andy Jackson.

Name

The name of the body will be the Andy Jackson Fund for Access.

Objects:

- 1 Promote and protect access to water in Scotland for the population, by improving and enhancing physical access to waterways
- 2 To advance the education and understanding of the public in the subject of responsible access to water in Scotland
- 3 to promote for the benefit of the public the conservation, protection and improvement of the water environment and Scottish waters for their own sake, for the inspiration they give to humanity and for future generations, by promoting good practice by those taking access to water, by bringing to public attention environmentally harmful practices etc. and by practical intervention
- 4 Improve public participation in healthy paddle sports and recreation by both promoting education of responsible access and physical improvements to improve access to water.

Management

- 1 The Fund will be managed by a Board. The Board will compose of
 - 1.1 Up to three trustees nominated by the Access Committee of the Scottish Canoe Association,
 - 1.2 the Access Coordinator of the Scottish Canoe Association, (or equivalent position in the Scottish Canoe Association)
 - 1.3 Up to five trustees elected at the annual meeting. Such Trustees need not be members of the Scottish Canoe Association,
 - 1.4 Trustees will serve for two year terms of office.
- 2 Office Bearers
A Chairperson, Secretary and treasurer will be elected at the first meeting of the Board after each Annual Meeting.
- 3 Annual Report
The Board will present an Annual Report at the Annual Meeting. Members of the Board to be present to answer questions and outline proposals for the following year.
- 4 Quorum
Four trustees present including at least one of the elected officers shall constitute a quorum for meetings of the Board.
- 5 Board Meetings
The Board will hold at least two meetings per year with two weeks notice of any meeting to be given to all Board members. Meetings may be requested by the Chair or any two members of the Board. Where specifically requested this must be held within one month of the request being made.

- 6 Meetings of the Board may be held by telephone or by using other forms of remote conferencing
- 7 Substitute Chair
The Chair will preside at all meetings of the Fund. If the Chair is not present the Trustees may elect a substitute chair for that meeting.
- 8 Voting
Decisions of the Board will be by majority vote with the Chair also having a casting vote.
- 9 Co option
The Board may co opt additional non voting members to serve the Board.
- 10 Patrons
The Board may elect persons to be Patrons of the Fund
- 11 Use of Funds
The Trustees shall hold and apply the Fund or any part of the Fund for the purposes and only for the purposes above while such purposes are and continue to be charitable.
- 12 Board Authority
The Board is solely and fully responsible for any decisions concerning the Fund. Such decisions are binding on all parties interested either directly or indirectly.
- 13 Minutes
The Trustees will ensure that proper minutes are kept containing all resolutions and proceedings of the Board. These are to be signed by the Chair of the next succeeding meeting. These minutes will be conclusive evidence of the matters conducted at the meeting.
- 14 Accounts
The Trustees will ensure that full accounts are kept of the fund. These will include all income however derived, all dealings and payments made. The Trustees will ensure an annual statement of accounts and balance sheet is presented as part of the Annual Report and in accordance with the relevant legal requirements.
- 15 Investments
The Trustees shall not be restricted to the class of investments authorised by law to Trustees but shall have as full and ample powers to invest the funds as if they were the absolute owners of the fund and beneficially entitled thereto provided always that such investments are reasonably prudent having regard to the charitable trust upon which the Fund is held. Trustees will not be liable
- 16 Funds
The initial assets of the Fund will include the income from the Scottish White Water Guidebook. The Trustees are empowered, while maintaining the charitable status of the Fund, to take whatever action they deem fit, including soliciting donations, to augment the income of the Fund.

17 Trustee remuneration

While no Trustee may receive any remuneration for their work as a Trustee reimbursement of reasonable out of pocket incurred on behalf of the Fund may be made.

18 Personal Liability: The Trustees will not be liable for any loss suffered as a result of the exercise of any of the powers given to them as Trustees.

19 Annual Meeting

19.1 The Board will hold an annual meeting open to canoeists in Scotland. This will normally be held in conjunction with a gathering of paddlers in Scotland such as the SCA AGM, Paddlefest or Wet West Weekend.

20 Membership

20.1 The Trustees may establish membership categories and charges for membership to support the aims of the Trust so far as such membership remains charitable.

20.2 Membership fees received would be regarded as donations to the work of the Trust.

20.3 Members may only receive any benefits or privileges as a result of membership such as would be consistent with the charitable status of the Trust.

21 Amendments to the Constitution.

21.1 Proposals for amendments to this constitution must be submitted in writing to the secretary at least three months prior to the Annual Meeting.

21.2 Proposals for amendments must be circulated to the Board of the Fund at least two months prior to the Annual Meeting and then publicised within the wider paddling community.

21.3 Proposals for amendments can only be accepted for consideration where they are consistent with the charitable status of the Fund.

21.4 Details of proposed amendments are to be circulated with the announcement for the Annual Meeting and to any person in membership of the Fund one month prior to the Annual Meeting

21.5 Proposals for amendments will be considered by those present at the Annual Meeting. Such persons to be acting for the wider canoeing community and acting in the spirit and purpose of the Fund.

22 Dissolution

If at any time the Fund ceases to be charitable or if the Trustees conclude that the purpose of the Fund can no longer be achieved by the Fund or can be achieved in some other more effective manner then the Fund may be wound up by unanimous decision of the Trustees. On winding up the balance of the Fund, after meeting all expenses, shall be paid or transferred to such other charitable body or fund having similar objects to the Fund as the Trustees shall determine.