

# BRITISH MOUNTAINEERING COUNCIL

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## NORTH EAST AREA COMMITTEE

Meeting to be held Thursday 11th June 2015 at 7.30pm.

Venue: Newcastle Climbing Centre, St Mark's Church, 285 Shields Road, Newcastle. NE6 2QU.

## AGENDA

*If anything to be discussed on this agenda gives rise to a conflict of interest for anyone, please declare it at the start of the meeting.*

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Apologies for Absence
3. Notes of Last Meeting
4. Festival of Climbing / Hillwalking – Wooler, Northumberland
  - Event running order (Appendix 2 below)
  - Appeal for sponsors for prizes for quiz
  - Club representation at event on sat night
5. Proposed BMC talent development strategy 2016-2021 (Appendix 1 below)
6. National updates.
7. Forthcoming events
8. Co-ordinators Reports
  - Access
  - Youth
  - Climbing Walls
9. AOB
10. Date of Next Meeting

## Appendix 1

**BMC Proposed Talent Development Strategy 2016 - 2021** Last year, the BMC began reviewing their current talent development programme with consideration to how the organisation could change its approach in the future. Kelvyn and others were very generous with their time in attending a meeting in December hosted by the BMC and sharing their ideas. The BMC volunteer team managers also considered the issue at one of their recent meetings. Downloadable [HERE](#) (you'll need to be logged in to download) is a brief document outlining a different approach the BMC could take, and Jon Garside ([jon@thebmc.co.uk](mailto:jon@thebmc.co.uk)) would welcome your views. Working backwards, the ultimate deadline to agree upon the BMC's direction regarding talent development is spring 2016, when the BMC will begin the process of submitting a funding bid to Sport England to cover the 2017 – 2021 period. But in reality, the next six months is the period in which the future direction taken by the BMC needs to be identified and the all-important detail (which is not in the attached document) figured out. Working on the assumption that we all want the same thing, namely a system that will we believe will effect change in supporting talented young climbers, then please do let Jon know your views. Any plan will only be truly effective if the BMC and partner organisations, including the ABC, are able to work together in delivering it, therefore views from as many different perspectives are essential. Jon is asking you to provide your feedback by **Friday 31 July** at the very latest. Jon will then make any necessary changes to the proposed plan and send out what will hopefully be very near to a final version with much greater detail for comment. Thanks in advance

## Appendix 2

### Programme of 2015 BMC Climbing & Walking Festival July 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>

<b>Sat</b>	-	Set up & book in at campsite
		Climbing at crags – with instruction sessions (am /pm session at named venue)
		Guided Walks with Paul. M
		Chevy Chase Race from Wooler
<b>Sat evening</b>		Welcome from BMC
		Quiz with prizes/ Free Buffet / Neil Gresham lecture start around 9.00pm
<b>8pm start @ Angel</b>		
<b>Sun</b>		Breakfast and same again

NB\*\* Set a monthly timeline of what needs to be in place before the festival so everyone knows

What we are aiming for:

- Sept 2014 Agree festival date for 2015
- Sept/Nov 2014 BMC confirm budget / campsite & pub booked
- Jan 2015 Article written with photos
- Feb 2015 Named guest confirmed / Posters designed
- March 2015 Posters / Publicity distributed
- May to May 2015 Final push via BMC & local clubs
- June 2015 Final event briefing meeting
- July 2015 Festival