**MARS MID ARGYLL RADIO SAILING**

**Covid-19 RISK ASSESSMENT and METHOD STATEMENT– For sailing at Loch a Bharain**

This risk assessment is to be read in conjunction with the general MARS risk assessment which it supersedes as relevant

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| **Area of concern** | **Hazard** | **People at risk** | **Existing controls** | **Initial assessment** | | | **Extra control measures** | **Final assessment** | | |
| **L** | **I** | **Rating** |  | **L** | **I** | **Rating** |
| Maintaining Social Distancing | Increasing the risk of infection to other members by more than 2 households being present | MARS members | Communicate via email, WhatsApp, or phone to find out if members are intending to be present at Loch a Bharain at the same time. | 5 | 5 | 25 | A booking system will be used so that members can book a ‘slot’ to ensure no more than 2 households are present at a time.  If, through an error occurring, more than 2 households turn up then one household must not approach and wait at a considerable distance away or return later. | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| People passing infection to each other by being too close | Members of MARS and other people in the car park | Cars must be parked so that people can remain 2m apart when beside their vehicle. | 3 | 5 | 15 | All members to exercise extra thought when parking |  |  |  |
| Members of MARS and people passing on the road by the canal | Members must make sure they remain 2m from each other when on the bank. They must be aware of people passing on the road and move away if necessary. | 3 | 5 | 15 | All members to think about the 2m rule all the time and set up on the bank at least 2m apart. When controlling their boats people should be at least 1m from the road and check for passers-by before moving onto the road. When crossing the canal make sure that no one is approaching the lock bridge and if they are stand back until they are well clear. | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Members of MARS | Only people from one household should be on the pontoon at a time. This also includes going up and down the gangway.  Only people from one household should man the rescue boat at any one time. | 4 | 5 | 20 | Members need to wait until any member from another household is away from the pontoon before approaching the gangway. | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Hygiene | Passing on Covid-19 through contact with contaminated surfaces | Members of MARS | Members of MARS need to be aware of the risk of touching contaminated surfaces and so becoming infected with Covid-19.  Members to bring their own disposable gloves, hand sanitiser and disinfectant wipes and a bag to carry used ones home for disposal. | 4 | 5 | 20 | All members to use their own disposable gloves, anti-viral spray or hand sanitiser before touching the railings around the pontoon.  When using the rescue boat, members must use gloves or hand sanitiser to avoid contact with contaminated surfaces such as the boat, oars etc.  Members should avoid touching another household’s boat and if that is unavoidable then they need to wipe it down with a disinfectant wipe.  Only one household should man the rescue boat at a time and preferably throughout the session.  Members should not share equipment between households. | 1 | 5 | 5 |
| Risk of spreading infection and environmental unpleasantness through lack of toilet facilities | Members of MARS and members of the public | Members take account of no toilet facilities when planning their visit | 3 | 3 | 6 | Members ensure they can either return home or make other suitable arrangements eg have a suitable container. | 1 | 3 | 4 |

Date assessment completed……31.05.2020…… By whom: Name Lorna Rushton……………………….. Signature ………………………………………………………………………

Approved by MARS Committee 31.05.2020

L is likelihood, I is impact

**RISK EVALUATION MATRIX**

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| **Almost certain**  The event is expected to occur in most circumstances | Risk rating  5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |
| **Likely**  The event will probably occur in most circumstances | 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 |
| **Moderate**  Given time, likely to occur | 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 15 |
| **Unlikely**  More likely not to occur under normal circumstances | 2 | 2 | 4 | 6 | 8 | 10 |
| **Rare**  The event may occur only in exceptional circumstances | 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|  | Risk  rating | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

**Likelihood**

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