Berkshire Orienteers

Minutes of the Committee Meeting

8.00 pm 21st March 2013 3 Kelburne Close, Winnersh, RG42 5JG

Present: Katy Stubbs (Chair), Fiona Clough, Peter Entwistle (Treasurer), David Jukes, Derick Mercer (Secretary), Andy Parry (Fixtures), Ken Ricketts (Development), Dave Rodgers (Coaching Officer), Brian Sewell.

Apologies: Ian Hudson.

Katy welcomed all to the meeting, especially the new members who have volunteered to join the Committee..

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting (17th January 2013) / Matters Arising

- The minutes had been circulated and were agreed.
- The AGM Minutes were agreed provisionally as correct. The minutes will be displayed on the club website.

(Action: Andy)

Matters Arising

7. Development: Permanent O courses: David has still to check on the current status.

(Action: David) Ongoing

• 7. Development: Development Plan: Katy Was still to check on status of items needing action. Ongoing action now being taken over by Ken.

(Action: Katy/Ken)

2. Chairman's Update

Katy informed the committee;

That the Club Championship was won by Gill Godbold and that she had been presented with the award with photo taken for the newsletter.

All other Club Champions had been given their awards with the exception of the Marwick's.

The Derek Harding Award (contribution to the club) was given to Tim Booth.

3. Membership

Andy gave an update on Ian's behalf;

- 3.1 Numbers; 153 National members, 5 Local and one group (St Andrews) which are similar numbers to last year.
- 3.2 Database: The database has been updated on the website and is working well. Read only access is to be given to Committee members.

(Action: Andy)

4. SCOA Report

Katie gave an update with the following points;

- Terry Newcombe still Treasurer for another two years.
- They still require a Secretary.
- Medals V Certificates. The award of Medals was deemed the best way forward.
- Co-ordinating the SCOA Championships into SE League events and the requirement to put into the BKO Events Calendar.

(Action: Andy)

- In the SCOA long term planner JK2019 could have been awarded to the region. As this should be on a 10 year cycle it was felt that SCOA should host either the British Relays/Long Distance event in 2017 or 2018 to put back the JK requirements.
- The area of Birch Hill could be used for the British Sprint Championships (2016/2017) if parking can be obtained.

Brian asked what made up the SCOA membership.

Katy informed Brian and the newcomers to the Committee that membership was made up of the following clubs;

TVOC, SOC, & BKO being the main clubs. Other affiliated clubs can be found on the SCOA website. http://www.scoa-orienteering.org.uk/region/scoa-clubs

5. Events and Mapping

5.1 Fixtures;

- A spreadsheet of the status of planned events was distributed by Andy and the Committee talked through possible areas, timings and running order.
- Eric has emailed possible parking areas around Star Posts for next years Concorde Chase (Southern Champs).
- 5.2 Future use of Emit at BKO events (Emit charges & future BKO kit).
 - Katy explained service & pricing of Emit use.
 - Colin Godbold has indicated an interest in computers, Emit software and results for BKO running our own results.
 - Discussion as to the future of Emit & the way forward was shelved until the next meeting.

5.3 Mapping Issues;

• Katy informed the Committee that Cold Ash, Finchampstead Ridges & Simons Wood require remapping. Andy needs to liaise with Eric re Simons Wood (National Trust).

(Action: Andy)

6. Treasurer's Report

Peter circulated updated accounts with the following points noted;

- This years Concorde Chase gave a good surplus.
- Sale of club kit at the AGM was good and the committee asked if kit could be made at certain events during the year to enable members to purchase.

The Treasurer requested details of the JK Relay Teams for payment.

(Action: Andy)

(Action: Katy)

7. Development Matters

7.1 Updated Development Plan.

- Action from previous minutes Matters Arising. Katy handed to Ken.
- David asked if the prominent position of the Clubmark logo on our website was a requirement or could it be moved. Action on David to check requirement.

(Action: David)

7.2 Getting Berkshire Active Week.

The getting Berkshire Active flyer was discussed on how to gain for both the event and for BKO publicity / membership. It was decided to swap Lilly Hill Park (29 May) with Bloom Wood (5 June) to gain maximum benefit.

(Action: Andy)

7.3 Other.

Berkshire Schools – Denise has emailed out details of events and participating schools for this years events.

8. Secretary's Report

8.1 Team Entries for JK Relay.

Well done to Andy for organising so many teams for this year's event.

Next task is the British Champ relays during the May Bank Holiday. Andy volunteered to organise teams.

(Action: Andy)

Timescale for the draft minutes being issued was given as a week or so.

(Action: Derick)

Also discussed at this point was the use of the Club Banner & tent at the JK. It was felt that club members would benefit its functional use / clothing dump facility.

There would be no requirement for Friday, David would set up for the Saturday and Fiona & Derick would then look after them for Sunday & Monday.

9. Publicity Report

9.1 Website.

 Andy has received good feedback on the new style. He would like further comments to improve the format and look by the next meeting.

(Action: ALL)

• Clubmark logo to be on only certain pages once Action 7.1 has been completed.

(Action: Andy)

9.2 Newsletter

• David's 2nd Edition newsletter is out and he stated that he would continue producing the newsletter for the near future. Email version will be available but certain members may still prefer hard copies. The focus would still be on one copy per household. It was agreed that David would advertise the availability of Focus & the Newsletter.

(Action: David)

• Katy informed David that a new printer may be available – details to follow.

(Action: Katy)

Also discussed was the requirement for David to have a BKO Newsletter email address.

(Action: Andy)

9.3 Other

A discussion on Local & National publicity possibilities took place where as a result of Getting Berkshire Active Week / the JK & the Berkshire Schools events the Club should receive some good exposure locally.

10. Coaching (Dave)

The JK is taking priority at the moment.

11. Youth League

- Ken briefed the committee that numbers are down and we may have to re-launch the league for the next school year.
- The League has been extended to Bloom Wood due to the cancellation of Yately Common.
- Ken to contact Denise for her schools summer events for inclusion into next year's events.

(Action: Ken)

12. Next Meeting

The date for the next meeting was agreed on as the **16th May '13** at the Chair's house commencing 2000 hrs.

13. AOB

Nil