

Leicestershire Orienteering Club



Minutes of Committee Meeting held in the Conference Room, Brookvale Groby Learning Campus, Ratby Road, Groby, LE6 0FP Monday 12th August 2019

Present: Chris Phillips, Jane Dring-Morris, Alan West, Wendy West, Roger Edwards, Iain Phillips, Peter Leake, Bob Haskins, Ursula Williamson, Roger Phillips, Laurie Fluck, Ernie Williams, Anna Barber, Andy Portsmouth (APo), Alastair Paterson (APa)

1. Apologies for absence: Steve Chafer, Ian Wilson

2. Minutes of the last Committee Meeting on Monday 13th May 2019

These minutes were agreed to be a true record.

3. Items arising from the last MOM

50th Anniversary plans:

- CP confirmed that SC is driving the plans forward and has everything in hand
- AW advised that material is required for a special edition of the LEI News

4. Request for inclusion in 'Urgent and important items' on the agenda

a. Development Plan

 As SC was not at this meeting it was agreed that this would be reviewed at the November meeting

b. LEI Marketing Plan

Please refer to the Marketing Plan circulated prior to the meeting

- Results suggest that social media should be utilised rather than paper
- We need to recruit newer and more enthusiastic members
- APo acknowledged the hard would RP has done but noted that we are not good at taking it on board
- AB there has been no discussion at the BOF Youth Panel on recruitment at junior level
- CP our % drop has been less than other clubs
- RE how many of us are looking at the BOF webinars?
- IP The jumps from beginner session to regular club night attendance and then full membership are too big
- RE our meet and greet and especially our follow up needs to be up to scratch. It's
 hard to deliver this well at small events and even at Level C when many members
 are in the forest.
- EW we have no main meeting point for members such as a club house
- APo has the public's perception of orienteers changed? Are we still perceived as "vegetarian 2CV drivers" and a sport just for Scout and Guide groups?
- Marketing plan to be included in the next Development Plan

c. AGM

- SC to take over as chair
- JDM to take over as vice chair

- RP to take over as secretary
- There is a vacancy for Club Captain SC to approach a prospective candidate
- AB to stand down as junior captain (SC has a couple of prospective candidates in mind)
- Agenda CP has made a couple of small amendments. No standing orders to go to AGM, However SS to review mapping, SC to review content and formatting of the current standing orders

5. Treasurer's Report

Please refer to the Treasurer's Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

- Our financial position is comfortable with a £14,000 bank balance
- WW gift aid: if this stopped how much would we lose?
- RE this could mean a c. £1,000 loss
- £1,000 will be required for a top class printer. Our current printer is 5 years old. £1,100 was spent on consumables last week for our A3 printer.
- British Sprints will be profitable if we get more entries than the baseline of 600 (as at 12/08/19 we have 529 entries)
- CP why is the 19/20 event budget less than the actual for 18/19? RE confirmed this takes into account the British Sprints and 50th anniversary costs, but will have another look at the figure RE expects to make a profit even though a loss of £1,229 is forecast
- Budget agreed by the committee

6. Delegates' Reports

Please refer to the Delegate's Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

7. Events Sub Committee Report

Please refer to the Event Sub Committee Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

- LEI club championships are to be held at Swithland Wood
- Summer League point 3iia-d: proposals to change and formalise agreed
- CP reminded the committee to book their places at the club presentation for catering purposes
- APo access: Leicester City and County Council have taken over the management of Bradgate Park. EW is there any update on Cademan? A large part is up for sale
- OD (Keith Wildig) are thinking of mapping Hinckley for an urban event and are considering moving from EMIT to SI at their AGM
- BH, CP and IP provided a progress update on the British Sprints

8. Development Team Report

Please refer to the Development Team's Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

- RP with regard to the Lakes weekend in November, should we state that we "have 10 places available" as this would be easier to sell to members as they will think there are limited spaces available
- RP explained the process of generating more Facebook posts. If members posted images on the event day then these could be give more prominence by the Administrators. WW had concerns about obtaining permissions for images.

9. Club Captain's Report

Please refer to the Club Captain's Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

- CP flagged up the Peter Palmer relays
- AB EMJOS are entering a team which LEI juniors could join

10. Membership Secretary's Report

Please refer to the Membership Secretary's Report August 2019 circulated prior to the meeting.

11. Any Other Business

- PL there is a website called BetterOrienteering.org which has some useful resources for club members
- 01/01/20 is the start of LEI's 50th anniversary year and it was agreed to use the new logos from this date
- CP will be chairing a BOF meeting in September to reschedule all junior competitions in 2022
- UW thanked AB for being our junior Captain

Meeting closed at 9:35pm.

12. Date of future meetings (TO BE REVIEWED):

FULL: FEBRUARY, MAY, AUGUST, NOVEMBER

Events: JAN, APRIL, JULY, OCT

Mapping: JUN
Development: JAN, JULY
Coaching Forum: MARCH
AGM: OCT