

DVO Fixtures Committee Meeting Minutes

Held on Tuesday 3rd March 2026 at the Buxtons'

Present

Kim Buxton (Chair), Jane Kayley-Burgess, John Cooke, Richard Parkin, Sal Chaffey, Nicola Hart

1. Apologies

Christine Middleton

2. Minutes of meeting of 2nd September 2025 and matters arising

Minutes agreed. Matters arising dealt with below.

3. Feedback / review of recent events

- Belper Level D, weather was extremely poor and a small turnout of 23, no beginners but some "improvers."

- Matlock NYD, 212 ran. Great courses and a good day.

- Longshaw, 281 ran. Feedback about planning from AMD: she questioned if there was any back up for Richard P as mapper if he was unavailable to liaise with planner and printers - answer, no, and **we should consider how to address this**; AMD also suggested that the EM Champs could appropriately be a level C event which would make the class entry system less confusing for people outside EM and simpler regarding start time requirements etc for level B; although she considered starts would have to be managed to prevent following: **to be passed on to EMOA**. Kim felt that the Start Team could do with more members for bigger events where there are timed starts and / or two starts. **Action - possibly recruit into start team or if not, be aware before bigger events that we need to seek additional help.**

4. Briefing on development events

MapRuns: ongoing but Chris Millard wants to step back. The main work to be done is publicity and **we need to recruit for this job**.

4 Level D's and MapActive coming up after Easter.

Hardwick Festival: repeat in July.

Noted again lack of people willing to run development events and activities.

5. Event scheduling

Longstone Moor, 27/9/26, RP good progress with access permissions. David Newton to plan. **Organiser to be recruited now.**

British Schools Score Champs, 10/10/26, Shipley Park. **Organiser to be found.**

Club Champs 2026 - Grin Low, 7/11/26. **Planner and organiser to be found.**

"East Midlands Night Champs" proposed for Saturday 30/1/27, Longshaw. **Access / parking permissions to be investigated.** Jane/ Stuart.

Club champs 2027 - Saturday 9/11/27, **Belper Parks suggested with party afterwards at no.28 (Sal to book).**

6. Access issues and new areas

John noted the new access table he and Christine have put together is now available on the database - thanks to both John and Christine for their work.

Longstone Moor in progress, see above.

Crich Chase, to be mothballed for now, too problematic because of state of the terrain (undergrowth), lack of parking and map needing significant updating.

7. Mapping

Grin Low, Longstone Moor, in progress
Kedleston, started

8. Permanent courses

Jane to look at Dave C's figures on downloads of maps.

9. Any other business

Discussion of the incident at Longshaw, considering Stuart's organiser's report. Jane is in touch with Karen Ashworth, Chair of BOF's Event Safety Group, consulting about areas for improvement of our procedures for safety. w3w references in future to be printed on maps where appropriate to show access points to the area - organiser's responsibility to liaise with planner and printer. First aid kits and grab sacks, Jane has fully checked. Sal to buy a new small first aid kit from Go Outdoors, for grab sack.

13. Date of next meeting

Tuesday 2nd June 2026, 5pm, Buxtons'