

Derwent Valley Orienteers Committee Meeting

Held at: The Johnson's Belper, Tuesday 12th June 2012
Chairman: John Hawkins
Minutes: John Hawkins
Present: Sal Chaffey, Claire Selby, Mike Gardner, Mike Godfree, Judith Holt, Jen Gale, Ian Hodson, Val Johnson

- 1. Introduction** John welcomed the Committee members to the second Committee meeting of 2012
- 2. Apologies:** Ro Cole, Derek Gale, Liz Godfree, Paul Wright
- 3. Minutes of previous Committee Meeting** These were accepted as a true record of the meeting.
- 4. Notable results and events**

It was noted that Harriet Lawson achieved a 3rd position at the Interland competition and that Liz, Judith and Pauline Ward won the W60 relay at the British Championships.

Congratulations to all.

- 5. Forthcoming Events** Please see the items on Fixtures
- 6. Treasurer's Report**

Claire noted that the club finances this year are in good order with a current account balance of £6,905. This year so far we have accumulated a net surplus of £1,736.

Claire provided a report that is an attachment to these minutes.

Claire agreed to speak to Dave Walker with a view to him reviewing the accounts in readiness for the AGM in October.

- 7. Secretary's Report** Nothing to report at this meeting

There was a discussion about members who ticked the box to say 'details not to be passed on' when they renewed their membership. This means that DVO does not have any contact details for such members and therefore cannot pass on Newstrack or contact the members.

It was considered that people who do tick this box may do so inadvertently not realising the consequences of their actions. Derek was requested to contact BOF to determine if it can be made clear to people when renewing their membership the consequences of ticking the box.

8. Development Report

It was noted that it appears that BOF is attempting to raise a Derby Community O Group although this does not appear to have been raised with DVO except perhaps informally through Val/Rex.

The meeting considered that BOF should really make an approach to DVO directly prior to taking such action to ensure efforts are co-ordinated.

Judith agreed to discuss with BOF with a view to establishing a conduit for this activity.

9. Fixtures Report

Jen introduced the request by MDOC to run an event on the Buxton map as part of a town and country weekend in October.

Jen had not received a reply from MDOC in respect of a previous e-mail and as such we were not clear as to the current intention of MDOC. As last understood then intention was to hold a Goyt Valley MDOC event on the Saturday and then on the Sunday a Carsington DVO event and a Buxton Urban MDOC event.

The Committee accepted that from time to time there will be occasions where events on the same day are close to each other – there are attempts to avoid this but it is not always possible.

The Committee also accepted, on this occasion, that MDOC should use the DVO map of Buxton and arrange an event but this was a 'one-off'.

Post meeting note: Jen advises that MDOC have reconsidered and now wish to cancel the idea of Buxton event and instead have a White Peak Weekend DVO/MDOC.

10. Equipment Report Noting to report this meeting.

11. Community O Groups

- a. **Buxton** Strong Community O Group progressing well. Please see notes about Buxton event and MDOC above.
- b. **Chesterfield** Now running again with a relatively small attendance level.
- c. **Derby** please see note above.
- d. **Matlock** Good strong attendance. Becky has passed her Level 1 Coaching assessment and another coach is also working with the Matlock Group. Close working ties with Matlock Athletic.

12. BOF Matters

A note has been received in respect of membership fees and the new arrangements. It was agreed to place this on the website.

A further note is expected about the fee structure for event fees.

Derek and Claire to consider the implications of the change in membership fees (and events fees) for discussion and agreement at the AGM.

13. EMOA Matters

- a. There were 27 in attendance at the recent development day. It was agreed to print off copies of the current rules and send these to each club, the intention being to send these out to controllers and planners.
- b. An EGM is to be held by the EMOA in respect of the constitution and proposed changes. This is proposed to be on 8.7.12 after an event.
- c. For the EM Urban League there will be mementoes for the top man and woman on each course.
- d. For the EM League it is to be noted that if middle distance courses were to be put on then this would be acceptable for the purposes of inclusion of the results in the EM League.

14. Club Communication

- a. Mike Godfree has kindly agreed to edit the next version of Newstrack – copy date will be 1st September. The intention is to distribute at the Longshaw event on 8th September.
- b. John to discuss with Chris Owen whether he is in a position to take up the editor role again and to produce 5 editions per year.
- c. Website – it was noted that great progress has been made with the website – thanks expressed to John Cooke and Steve Kimberley for all their work.
- d. It was noted that the Facebook pages are now in operation and appear to be working well. It is early days and as such we will see how this medium develops.

15. AOB

- a. **Club Dinner** Val to progress
- b. **Club Kit Sales** John to have a chat with Dave Vincent re making the kit more accessible to the members perhaps through the website.
- c. **New O Tops** Val demonstrated her research into new air tex tops through looking at a website. It was suggested that a competition be held among the members to design the next generation of the DVO tops through the Air tex website. Mike Godfree agreed to look at how this might work through this website. The intention was to close the competition at the next Open Meeting in July and to award the winner a new design O top. To be publicised on the website once the research is complete.
- d. **Event Coordinators** It was noted that Ranald and Viv are stepping down from this role. The Committee expressed its thanks to Ranald and Viv for the excellent work they have done while undertaking these roles. It was agreed that it is necessary to look for a replacement(s) as this is a vital role within the club. John to speak to Ranald and Viv to see if there is anyone who has expressed an interest in taking on the role(s).
- e. **Committee Posts** It was noted that we need to consider which Committee posts will become vacant at the AGM and to consider who might like to put themselves forward.

- f. **Wirksworth Urban Event** Mike Godfree noted that all officials and arrangements are in place for the Wirksworth event except for an Organiser. Mike asked if there is someone who would like to take on this role for this event.

16. Dates of next meetings

- a. **Committee Meeting** Tuesday 11 September 7:30pm at the Johnsons'
- b. **Open Meeting** Wednesday 11th July 8:15pm at the Bell Inn Cromford
- c. **AGM** Wednesday 10th October – arrangements to advise