

Summary of MINUTES 21st January 2002.

Present: Helen O'Neil (in the chair) / Amanda Greenwood / John Dalton / Ray Barnes / Hilary Palmer / Alison O'Neil / David Olivant / Pauline Olivant / Mick Lucking

- 1 BOF draft **risk assessment** RB agreed to contact BOF to obtain a duplicate copy of the BOF draft risk assessment as the original copy had gone astray. It was agreed that a risk assessment should be prepared for each NOC orienteering area which could be supplied as part of the organiser's pack for each individual event.
- 1 RB tabled a draft of **Summer League fixtures** and the **NOW! Fixtures** and asked for feedback on a number of issues It was agreed that the NOW! Week timetable should be amended to include:
 - i A brief introductory talk on skills followed by a practical on Saturday evening 09/06 with NOC coaches
 - i Summer League event at Rufford on Sun 10/06
 - i Training Run followed by Fitness Discussion on Tues 12/06
 - i Nottingham City Centre Street 'O' on Wed 13/06
 - i Competitive Orienteering open forum on Fri 14/06
 - i Second skills discussion and practical with NOC coaches on Saturday 15/06 during the day
 - i Actual event in the guise of an Inter Company Challenge for employees/family/friends on 16/06
 - i RB requested further ideas or comments within a week.
 - i RB agreed to contact the Police to obtain their views on staging a Street 'O' event in Nottingham City centre
 - i There was a discussion surrounding the most appropriate ways of marketing the NOW! To local groups. It was agreed that Scout and Guide groups and local athletics clubs should be targetted early with promotional material, at least a couple of months before the NOW!
- 1 Keith Streb has confirmed that he considers that **Vicar Water** is suitable for the relay
- 1 RB confirmed that the Kelso family would be organising the **Byron's Walk** event
- 1 Re-writing of **Organiser's instructions** to account for e-punching There was agreement that this should be undertaken as soon as possible as there were a number of areas in which it was not clear which helper team was responsible for
- 1 Date and location of Colour Coded event for 1st round of **Yvette Baker Trophy** There was general agreement that whichever event was chosen in September/October 2002 for this competition, that it should not be in the NOC region.
- 1 Location for **Peter Palmer Relays** RB reported that Stapleford would not be a realistic venue due to the prohibitively high accommodation costs. Portland Training college had a reasonable camping venue and there was also a prospective Trail 'O' site within the area surrounding Harlow. No conclusions were drawn on this.
- 1 Discussion concerning success of 2001 **SMILE events** Agreement in principle that we should plan SMILE events again for Autumn 2002
- 1 DO reported on current **mapping projects** and activity for Spring 2002
 - i Harlow Woods (Bob Alderson)
 - i Sherwood Pines
 - i Bulwell Hall (to be confirmed)
 - i Strawberry Hill / Vicar Water / Clipstone West
 - i Briarley Park
 - i Wollaton Park (it was agreed that this was not a priority for re-mapping)
- 1 In addition, following a discussion regarding **Annesley and Welbeck**, it was agreed that DO would consider whether it would be possible to work with the existing maps, or whether re-mapping was required.
- 1 Recent re-mapping of **Clumber Park** DO reported that the map was shortly to go to the

printers

- i Proposal by Keith Streb that NOC should purchase a **measuring wheel** Following a discussion, this was agreed
- i JD reported **Harlow Woods** netted approximately #400 but this would be reduced by approximately #200 to pay for the e-punching equipment
- i Income from recent **Walesby** CC event JD reported that there were no figures yet available.
- i Proposed **increase in BOF fees** RB reported that he had heard that BOF were proposing a significant increase in BOF fees for next year.
- i **Club Coaching session** at Sherwood Pines on 5 January 2002. HP reported that this was both successful and well attended, and offered thanks to all helpers
- i There will be a BOF **Coaching Event** in the Lake District during the last weekend in April 2002 to coincide with the National Event.
- i **EMOA - PO Reported:**
 - i Steve Kimberley has been replaced by Kevin Bradley of LEI as responsible for the EMOA website, and that NOC accepted this proposal.
 - i Inter-club relay date required Following discussion it was agreed that NOC would be prepared to offer the Little John Relays
 - i EMOA has selected the DVO pair as planners for the JK2004.
 - i EMOA requires a Development Officer for the NOW! Names of volunteers are welcome.
 - i Ian Whitehead is resigning as EMOA Fixtures Secretary Following a debate about whether a replacement was required, it was agreed that regional co-ordination of fixtures was essential and NOC would support a replacement.
 - i EMOA has proposed an increase in mileage allowance from 15p to 19p
 - i Nick James has agreed to co-ordinate the forthcoming Night Event series
 - i EMOA requested feedback from clubs regarding the need to retain the England Orienteering Council It was agreed that NOC supported the continuation of the England Orienteering Council
 - i Retention of EMOA Answerphone It was agreed that given the minimal use of the service NOC would not object to its being discontinued.
 - i Continuation of a regular EMOA committee It was agreed that regular EMOA committee meetings were useful.
 - i EMOA requested clubs to consider criteria for a DVO - proposed Family Trophy in memory of Karen Jackson It was agreed that DVO should be encouraged to set the criteria.
- i ML requested views on whether a coach should be arranged for the **CompassSport Cup** at Thetford This was agreed, and the charge would be Adults #5, Juniors #2
- i Relay costs Following discussion it was agreed that participants should pay the **full cost of their relay entry**, but that juniors who agreed to run up a class would pay the junior rate.
- i AO confirmed that 9 NOC juniors had been selected to run for GB in the **World Schools Orienteering Championships** in Portugal. There was agreement that this was a major achievement by NOC juniors. A separate discussion concerning fund raising for selected individuals took place under AOB
- i AO tabled the article on the **Juniors achievements** over the past year, for inclusion in B&G and for circulation to other press publications
- i PO raised the issue about **funding for NOC juniors** selected for WSOC in Portugal There was agreement that a bag packing event be organised as this has proved a successful means of fund raising in the past. A number of venues were discussed and it was agreed that AO would write to Sainsburys in West Bridgford requesting permission once it had been established which date would be most appropriate.
- i RB raised the article written by Chris James that individuals should be selected or qualify to run at Badge events. There was no support for **selection or qualification to run Badge Events**
- i RB raised the subject of whether NOC should offer **reduced entry for OAPs at Badge Events**, following an enquiry from a participant. Following discussion it was agreed that

although NOC did offer reduced entry for OAPs at Colour Coded events it would not be extending this to Badge Events

- 1 HO reported that Janet Evans was standing down as **Helper Group co-ordinator** and that a number of NOC members had requested a change of Helper Group It was agreed that a change of Helper Group was possible, but that these should be agreed with the Helper Group Co-ordinators and any changes passed on to the Secretary for information.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 4th March 2002.
