

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club

Date	Monday 12th November	
Time	7.30pm	
Location	PO house, Rainworth	
Attendees	Andrew Breakwell (AB), Peter Cholerton (PC), Jane Booker (JB), Pauline Olivant (PO), Hilary Palmer (HP), Andrew Ridgway (AR), John Woodall (JW), Dave Cooke (DC), Mick Lucking (ML)	
Summary	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Apologies 2. Items for discussion 3. Reports 4. Date and venue for next meeting 	

Item	Notes	Action
1	<p>Apologies and Last Meeting's Minutes Apologies from Simon Elliott (SE). The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as accurate.</p> <p>Matters Arising A Mailchimp needs to be sent out regarding the Training Day, NOC Championships and the Compass Sport Cup heats.</p>	ML

2	<p>Items for Discussion</p> <p>a) Vacant Chairman Post John Woodall has kindly volunteered to be our Chairman at the moment and he will chair the meeting. Our thanks to John.</p> <p>b) Lapsed Members Report AB wrote letters to several members who have not taken part in any events during the past year. Replies were received from David Dickinson, Brian James and Robert Orgill who wished to maintain their membership. Peter Coghill indicated he would not be renewing his membership and no replies were received from David Anderson, Nicholas Holliday, Stephen Hunt, Steven Rex, Philip Turton, Campbell Walsh and the Littlewood Family whose memberships may be deemed to have lapsed. Those who have not replied will be removed from our database..</p> <p>c) Development Strategy 2019/2020 HP has brought together the ideas discussed at the AGM for bringing more people into our club.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • low key friendly events similar to Explore the Parks • small park/street events on a weekday evening based around a social venue such as someones house, a pub or leisure centre • ensure there is a range of courses for all at our events including newcomers and families. Do we need a dedicated person to organise these courses to take the burden from the planner? • more party events such as an after Christmas bring and share • HP has had a meeting with a teacher who can provide a link into school • a member has volunteered to be a development officer and this offer was welcomed by the committee <p>d) Volunteer Thank Yous We will be getting mementoes from EMOA to celebrate their 50 years at the East Midlands Championships this year but the committee agreed we should continue to say thank you to our volunteers with a small gift as in previous years. Ideas were discussed and PO to look into the possibilities.</p>	<p>JB</p> <p>HP</p> <p>ALL/PO</p>
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3	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) Treasurer We have a healthy bank balance. Most events have made a profit. We have had to pay the Thoresby access charge for the East Midlands Championships event in December.</p> <p>b) Mapping No report.</p> <p>c) Fixtures All volunteers have been appointed for the fixtures up until March 2019. AB is now Fixtures Secretary with AR continuing as Volunteer Co-ordinator.</p> <p>d) BOF/EMOA PO has looked into renting some storage, but this will be expensive. As the club covers a large area it has been suggested we have two sets of equipment, one in the south of the area and one in the north. PO has looked at the equipment currently in the garage and we could probably decrease the equipment by half and thus need a smaller storage facility. We may need to vacate the current garage by the middle of next year. We may have members with space in their garages or sheds. Another alternative would be to purchase a storage unit but we would need space somewhere to site it. Also discussed was the location of the stakes and kites that go with the SI boxes as planners kit. It would make sense to have these all stored in the same place to save planners having to visit the SI kit holder and the garage.</p> <p>The number of East Midlands league events was also discussed and PO was requested to take back to the EMOA that we think there are too many events.</p> <p>e) Coaching As discussed under Club Development.</p> <p>f) Club Captain ML is keen to get as many runners as possible to take part in the Compass Sport Cup heat in March at Sherwood Pines.</p> <p>Compass Sport Cup qualifying will be on 17th March next year. It was thought that we ought to give more details of the scoring system to the membership so they realise that every run does count.</p>	<p>PO</p> <p>ML</p>
5	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>a) The Urban events ranking points system was discussed and it was decided that ranking points can be gained for all participants even if they have not run their designated course.</p> <p>b) We need some new printed signs to direct people at events, namely Start and Download. These to be purchased.</p> <p>c) The ground stake for one of the feather flags has gone missing. A replacement to be ordered.</p> <p>d) The start time window was discussed for the darker nights and it was decided the last starts should be at 12.00 with some discretion for helpers if needed. Courses will close at 2.00. Registration would then be able to close at 11.45.</p>	<p>JB</p>
6	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting Monday 21st January 2019</p>	

