

Minutes of the Committee Meeting of Nottinghamshire Orienteering Club

Date	Monday 1st April 2019	
Time	7.30 pm	
Location	PO house, Rainworth	
Attendees	John Woodall (JW), Andrew Breakwell (AB), Peter Cholerton (PC), Jane Booker (JB), Pauline Olivant (PO), Hilary Palmer (HP), Dave Cooke (DC), Simon Elliott (SE), 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 Andrew Ridgway (AR) The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as accurate.</p> <p>Matters Arising No outstanding matters.</p>	

2 Items for Discussion

a) Membership Survey

The NOC membership survey closed last Friday. There have been responses from 30 people which was thought to be rather disappointing. The results will be available at the next meeting of the Development Committee in two weeks time.

b) Broxtowe Festival

HP wrote a report about this event which was well received. It resulted in three children who took part coming along to the Bramcote Explore the Parks event.

c) StreetO

This is a series of activities for members with a fun and social element. Hopefully this will help members to meet socially and improve our club identity. Four dates have been identified and there are volunteers for three of them. No-one has yet come forward for 21st August. They are based around a cafe/pub for refreshments afterwards. Venues move around the county including Bassetlaw for their 10 year anniversary on 19th June. Rob has run the Bassetlaw group for the ten years and it was decided his work should be acknowledged by the club. SE to look for a suitable gift for him.

SE

d) Explore the Parks

This is a series of six events following on from previous years. The format is slightly different as there are three line courses, Introductory and two Middle distance/sprint courses. Participants can do as many courses as they like and there is help on hand for newcomers.

The first event was last Saturday and was well attended with some regular orienteers taking part as well as families and newcomers.

There were some problems with queues at registration/download due to only having one laptop to work with. The next event will be able to use the two NOC laptops. It was agreed to fund two new laptops and SI boxes and maybe a battery backup box for use at ETP and Level D events. This will ease congestion and make it easier to upload the results after the event. Advice from Michael Napier will be sought.

e) Cash at Events

AB brought this up after organising at Bramcote and realising that large amounts of cash are being collected at events.

Safety of the cash and those in possession of it was discussed and there were no alternatives to the collection of cash for entries. No incidents have been reported to our knowledge and it was thought that we should ensure the money is kept locked up as soon as possible after registration has closed and keep it out of sight. It was agreed that the organiser could not be held responsible for any loss if these guidelines have been followed.

f) Wollaton Fees

The fees for using Wollaton has gone up to £300 per event. This will be prohibitive for level D events that are normally staged there. For our Explore the Parks event on 1st June the fee has been negotiated at £100.

g) Robin Hood Trophy 2020

This level B event planned for has not gained permission for the date and therefore will not take place. We will look to get our 2021 date in the fixtures early.

h) SIAC punching

Members of other East Midlands Clubs have asked when NOC will be using SIAC punching to come into line with the rest of our clubs. This was discussed at a previous meeting when several teething problems were highlighted and the decision was deferred for a year. Most of these problems have now been addressed and our upcoming Urban Spring event at Clifton would be a good event to have SIAC punching. MN has all the information required. ML to ask if he can get this in place for that event.

ML

3	<p>Reports</p> <p>a) Treasurers Report The last five events have all made a profit except Walesby where we expected to make a loss. We have made a donation to RSPB as agreed the last meeting. A grant has been awarded to a junior member. Our bank account continues to show a good balance.</p> <p>b) Mapping Report No issues to report.</p> <p>c) Fixtures Report AB is still having problems uploading events onto the BOF and NOC websites. AR has been giving one to one help. All ETP events have a venue and there is just an organiser required for 29th June at Rushcliffe. The third StreetO event in August still needs a venue and organiser. Workshop College was agreed for the Christmas event on 22nd December. AR has suggested Kidney Clump is added to the map for the event and this was agreed. Two dates, 26th January and 8th March are 'vacant' and it was agreed to hold a level D at Broxtowe Country Park on 8th March to replace our cancelled level B event.</p> <p>d) EMOA/BOF Report EMJS have volunteered to organise an event in 2020. Our event at Strawberry Hill in January has been allocated to them. They will provide all the event officials. HP has offered to help with contacts at Ransom Wood as she has organised there before. A list of major events was considered to decide which were thought to be necessary. PO to take back to EMOA. DVO may trial a very short green course at EM events. There are no plans at present to add this to the league.</p> <p>e) Coaching Report Already covered earlier in the meeting.</p> <p>f) Club Captain Report NOC had a good turnout at the Compass Sport Trophy and were in third place, only losing by 12 points. Relay teams for the JK and BOC have been difficult to juggle but we will have an entry in the Mens Open class. The club championships will probably be at another EM event. ML to look at the possibilities.</p>	<p>AB</p> <p>ML</p>
4	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>a) HP showed the handout for newcomers that DVO use as shown on the BOF webinar. It was thought a good idea to have to give out at registration. PO presently sends out an email to all newcomers but a handout would be easier. SE volunteered to design the flyer. ?ML to print.</p> <p>b) There was a discussion around fees for events. It was agreed that we would charge £8 for members and £10 for non members at Level C events and scrap the charge for SI hire. £3 for adults on white and yellow and £20 for a Family who are running separately. Level D, £5 senior, £2 junior and £5 for a family running together with two maps or £10 for family running separately.</p>	
5	<p>Next Meeting Date Thursday 11th July 2019 at JW house, 31 Village Road, Clifton Village, Nottingham, NG11 8NP</p>	

